The Anthropology Program strives to fulfill its responsibilities by providing quality undergraduate academic education in anthropology. Emphasis is placed on exposing students to a holistic approach to anthropology that incorporates three major subfields—cultural anthropology, physical anthropology, and archaeology. A major or minor in anthropology is especially appropriate for professionals closely involved with people. Our graduates acquire skills useful in many careers rather than just skills applicable to one job. Students trained in our program should have acquired oral and written communication skills, research skills, and “people” or “sociocultural” skills which qualify them well for careers in international business, government, politics, criminal justice, social work, and medicine or other health-related professions. Our graduates are especially well prepared to practice in south Texas or a comparable area made special by the meeting of different cultures.

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS

Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements. The courses listed below satisfy both degree requirements and General Education Core requirements.

Required

080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences – 3 hours

Must be outside Anthropology.

B – MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 42 HOURS (30 advanced)

1 – Anthropology Core – 15 hours (3 advanced)

ANTH 1324 Human Evolution
Choose one:
ANTH 1354 The Anthropology of Expressive Culture
ANTH 2311 Global Health and Social Justice: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Illness and Inequality
ANTH 2302 Introduction to Archeology
ANTH 2351 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 4345 Anthropological Theory and Methodology

2 – Restricted Electives – 27 hours (27 advanced)

Choose from:
ANTH 3343 Museum Studies Internship
ANTH 3344 Archive Studies Internship
ANTH 3345 Anthropology Community Internship
ANTH 3374 Religion in Society
ANTH 4304 Indians of North America
ANTH 4305 Great Discoveries in Archaeology
ANTH 4306 Anthropology of Borders
ANTH 4307 Shipwrecks, Pirates and the Sea: An Introduction to Maritime Archaeology and History
ANTH 4308 Conquistadors and Chiefs: A Comparative Colonialism of Northern New Spain
ANTH 4309 Anthropology of Sex & Gender
ANTH 4310 Food and Culture
ANTH 4311 Medical Anthropology
ANTH 4312 Political and Legal Anthropology
ANTH 4314 Environmental Anthropology
ANTH 4315 Discovering the Rio Grande Valley
ANTH 4317 Field Experience in the Borderlands
ANTH 4320 Warfare and Society
ANTH 4323 Mexican American Culture
ANTH 4333 United States and Other World Cultures
ANTH 4345 Anthropological Theory and Methodology
ANTH 4348 Peoples and Cultures of Mexico
ANTH 4350 Mexican American Folk Medicine
ANTH 4351 Global Health: Critical Perspectives
ANTH 4363 Archaeological Method and Theory
ANTH 4365 Archaeology of South America
ANTH 4369 Archaeology of Mexico and Central America
ANTH 4374 Archaeology of North America
ANTH 4375 Mexican American Folklore
ANTH 4377 Global Cultural Heritage Issues and Debates
ANTH 4380 Social Anthropology
ANTH 4385 Topics in Anthropology
ANTH 4390 Directed Studies
ANTH 4395 Fieldwork in Anthropology
ENGL 3361 Introduction to Descriptive Linguistics or ENGL 3370 Language and Culture

C – FREE ELECTIVES – 36 HOURS (12 advanced)

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION – 120 HOURS
TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS – 42 HOURS