

Anthropology

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Anthropology is the study of human beings, past and present. To understand the full sweep and complexity of cultures across all of human history, anthropology draws and builds upon knowledge from the social and biological sciences as well as the humanities and physical sciences. A central concern of anthropologists is the application of knowledge to the solution of human problems. Anthropology has four main areas of focus: sociocultural anthropology, biological anthropology, archaeology, and linguistic anthropology.

Requirements for the Anthropology Major: 11 courses

The major requires eleven anthropology and sociology courses: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (ANT 110), a second subfield introductory course, a theory course, two methods courses, four courses from the departmental ANT options (at least three of which must be at the 300- or 400-level), and a capstone. All majors must also take STA 115, STA 215, or PHL 120 as part of their College Core quantitative reasoning or world views and ways of knowing requirement. Please see the Sociology & Anthropology Department web page for more detail.

Introductory course:

- ANT 110/ Introduction to Cultural Anthropology

Second subfield introductory course (Choose 1):

- ANT 111/ Introduction to Biological Anthropology
- ANT 112/ Introduction to Archaeology
- ANT 213/ Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology

Theory course:

- SOC 301/Development of Socio-cultural Theory

Methods courses (Choose 2):

- SOC 302/ Quantitative Research Methods
- ANT 361
- ANT 362
- ANT 363
- ANT 390
- ANT 401
- Study abroad for at least a semester
- Advanced language course not taught in English (200-level or above)
- Field school (with departmental approval)

Anthropology options: (choose four ANT courses, with three at the 300-level or above)

Capstone experience (choose 1):

- ANT 398+499
- ANT 493

Program Entrance, Retention, and Exit Standards

Every major program at the College has set standards for allowing students to remain in that program, to transfer within the College from one program to another, and to graduate from a program. The following are the standards for anthropology programs. Minimum grades are noted in parentheses:

Entry to the program:

- Internal transfer into the program from another program within the College requires completion of an application process. Students should fill out [the Change of Major form](#) and email or return it to the Sociology & Anthropology department office. Applicants for full major status must have completed ANT 110 or ANT 111 or ANT 112 or ANT 213 (C) and STA 215 or STA 115 or PHL 120 (C). The program also accepts internal transfers as pre-majors, who will convert to full major status upon completion of ANT 110 or ANT 111 or ANT 112 or ANT 213 (C) and STA 215 (C) or STA 115 (C) or PHL 120 (C).
- External transfer students who wish to enter The College of New Jersey with an Anthropology major must meet college transfer admission standards.

Retention in the program:

- All students (including transfer students) must take at least five Anthropology course units at The College of New Jersey.
- Students must earn a C- or better in each elective course applied to the anthropology major, and a C or better in these “critical content courses”: SOC 301, both methods courses, ANT 110, and the second subfield introduction course (ANT 111 or 112 or 213). However, an anthropology course for which the grade is D+ or D may be applied toward graduation as a free elective.
- In accordance with College policy, courses may only be repeated **once**. Courses can be repeated twice only with permission from the Department Chair.

Graduation requirements:

- Graduation standards: requires a GPA of 2.0 in anthropology courses. Only grades of C- or higher in ANT major options and ANT 398+499; C or higher in ANT 110, ANT 111 or 112 or 213, SOC 301, both methods options; and C or better in STA 115 or PHL 120 or STA 215 can be applied toward graduation degree requirements. Students who want to apply a course toward graduation for which they received a D+ or lower must repeat the course, earning a higher grade.

Four-Year Suggested Sequence: Anthropology**First Year**

FYS First Year Seminar	1 course unit
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HSS 99/Orientation Course for Humanities and Social Sciences	1 course unit
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ANT 110/Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	1 course unit
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Logic or Stats: STA 115/Statistics	1 course unit
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STA 215/Statistical Inference	
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PHL 120/Introduction to Logic	
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Second subfield intro course:

ANT 111/Introduction to Biological Anthropology	1 course unit
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ANT 112/Introduction to Archaeology	
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ANT 213/Language and Culture	
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FYW 102/Academic Writing (if not exempted)*	1 course unit
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Foreign Language (if not exempted)**	2 course units
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Second major and/or minor courses and/or electives	1-2 course units
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**It is recommended that students exempted from these courses take other College Core courses.*

***Chinese 151 and 152, Japanese 151 and 152, are intensive courses and carry two course units of credit each. Students should take this into account when planning a normal four-course semester.*

Total for year	8-9 course units
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Sophomore Year

SOC 301/Development of Socio-Cultural Theory*	1 course unit
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Methods Option 1*	1 course unit
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or

Study Abroad (transfers 3 units, including College Core or ANT Option or minor courses)

ANT Major Options (one 100 or 200 level, one 300 or 400-level)	2 course units
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College Core courses	2 course units
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Foreign Language (if not exempted)**	1 course unit
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Second major and/or minor courses	1-2 course units
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**Anthropology majors must have received a C or above in ANT 110 before taking SOC 301. Anthropology majors must have received a C or above in ANT 110 and a C or above in STA 115 or STA 215 before taking SOC 302.*

***It is recommended that students exempted from this course take another College Core course*

Total for year	8-9 course units
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Junior Year

Second Methods Course	1 course unit
<i>or</i>	
Study Abroad (transfers 3 units, including College Core or ANT Option or minor courses)	
ANT Major Option (300 or 400-level)	1 course unit
College Core courses	3 course units
Second major and/or minor courses and/or electives	2-3 course units
Total for year	7-8 course units

Senior Year

ANT 398/Anthropology Capstone Internship--Capstone*	0.5 course unit
ANT 499/Senior Seminar in Anthropology —Capstone*	0.5 course unit
<i>or</i>	
ANT 393 Independent Research in Anthropology* with ANT 493 Senior Capstone Research in Anthropology *	2 course units
ANT Major Option (300 or 400-level)	1 course unit
College Core courses	2 course units
Second major and/or minor courses and/or electives	3-4 course units
Total for year	7-8 course units

**Before taking ANT 398 and ANT 499, anthropology majors must have received a C or above in SOC 301, AND a C or above in two methods courses AND have taken two major options, one of which must be 300-level or above. ANT 398 & 499 together constitute the Senior Capstone requirement (1 unit total) of the Anthropology major and must be taken in the same semester. An alternative to fulfilling the Senior Capstone requirement is ANT 493 Senior Capstone Research (prerequisite ANT 393). Students must take 1 unit of ANT 393 on the same research project in the semester prior to registering for ANT 493 with faculty and chair permission. Anthropology majors must have received a C or above in SOC 301, AND a C or above in two methods courses, AND have taken two major options, one of which must be 300-level or above before starting their capstone research in ANT 393. This unit of ANT 393 will count as one of the four ANT Major options. Upon the completion of the first semester of research in ANT 393, students can complete the capstone requirement by registering for ANT 493 (1 unit) or ANT 398+499 (1 unit).*

Transfer Student Course Sequence/Internal Transfer Four Semester Sequence (Anthropology requirements only)

The department encourages prospective transfer students to take an introductory course in cultural anthropology, a course in statistics, and up to one anthropology elective before enrolling at the College. If transfer students have received the minimum grades for the introductory cultural anthropology and statistics courses, they should enroll in a field introduction course (ANT 111, 112, 213) and a 300-level anthropology elective during their first semester at TCNJ. Note that all students need 32 units to graduate, therefore students should craft course progressions that will ensure that they reach this threshold. Repeated courses only count once toward graduation.

These pathways are appropriate for external transfer students with an Associate degree, OR come to TCNJ with most College Core requirements complete, OR are internal transfers.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
For students with NO anthropology courses	STA 115 OR STA 215 OR PHL 120 (if needed ANT 110 ANT 111,112, OR 213 <i>(3 units)</i>	SOC 301 ANT elective ANT methods course <i>(3 units)</i>	ANT methods course ANT 300-level elective ANT 300-level elective <i>(3 units)</i>	ANT 499+398 (capstone) ANT 300-level elective <i>(2 units)</i>
For students with ANT 110 (recommended plan)	STA 115 OR STA 215 OR PHL 120 (if needed ANT 111,112, OR 213 ANT 300-level elective <i>(3 units)</i>	SOC 301 ANT methods course <i>(2 units)</i>	ANT methods course ANT 300-level elective ANT level elective <i>(3 units)</i>	ANT 499+398 (capstone) ANT 300-level elective <i>(2 units)</i>
For students with ANT 110 (steeper transition; only recommended for students with extensive reading/writing preparation. Students may shift to the recommended plan during add- drop period)	STA 115 OR STA 215 OR PHL 120 (if needed SOC 301 ANT 111,112, OR 213 <i>(3 units)</i>	ANT methods course ANT 300-level elective <i>(2 units)</i>	ANT methods course ANT 300-level elective ANT elective <i>(3 units)</i>	ANT 499+398 (capstone) ANT 300-level elective <i>(2 units)</i>

Requirements for the Anthropology Minor

Five courses are required:

- ANT 110
- ANT 111 or 112 or 213
- Three courses from the following: (two of the three must be ANT courses and two of the three must be 300- level or above) All ANT(xxx) courses; AAS 179, 180; BIO 231, 461; COM 411; HIS 161, 166, 167, 342, 344, 354, 359; LIT 342; POL 250; WGS 375, 376. Other courses may be approved on a case by case basis by the department chair. Minors must also meet the department's graduation standards.