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UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM FORMS
ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY - REVISE PROGRAM PROPOSAL

Revise Undergraduate Program (Majors, Minors, Sequences) Proposal
Illinois State University - University Curriculum Committee

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Title of Program Major in Anthropology-Anthropology Sequence

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Version 5

Proposed Starting Catalog Year 2018-2019

Associated Course Proposals

	Course	Title	Version	Proposal Type	Initiator
View	ANT 351	Midwestern Archaeology	3	New Course	Gina Hunter
View	ANT 379	Symbols in American Culture	3	New Course	Gina Hunter

1.   Proposed Action

Change in Requirements for Major

Change in Requirements for Minor

Change in Requirements for Sequence

Other Program Changes

More than 50% of courses in this program are Distance Education

Add Hours

If the revisions you are proposing results in an increase in total hours in the program, you must complete the "Request to Add Hours to Existing Program – Reporting of Financial Implications" form and obtain all approvals before this proposal is submitted. Link to form: http://ucc.illinoisstate.edu .

No   Is this program an Integrated Bachelors/Masters degree program?

Degree Type(s)

Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Education

2.   *Undergraduate Catalog* Copy

Current *Undergraduate Catalog* copy for program.

Anthropology Programs

(ANT) 464

Degrees Offered: B.A., B.S

Program Admission Requirements for New and Continuing Students:

Admission to this academic program is limited and is based on space availability and the competitiveness of the applicant pool. Factors that may be considered include, but are not limited to: courses completed, cumulative GPA, hours completed, personal interview or written statement, and samples of work completed. For additional information on minimum requirements for admission and the application and selection process, visit IllinoisState.edu/Majors or contact the department advisor for the intended major.

MAJOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY

- Minimum of 37 hours in Anthropology required.
- Required courses (25 hours):

Introductory courses: ANT 102, 185.

Principles courses: ANT 274, 277, 281, 350.

Capstone courses: ANT 380, 382.

Careers course: ANT 292 (1 hour).

- Electives (12 hours): Four courses to be chosen from each of the four subfields of Anthropology (i.e., at least 1 course from each of the four following groups):

Archaeology: ANT 280, 301, 306, 370, 373, 375, 376, 381, 384, 386, 388, 392.

Biological Anthropology: ANT 306, 371, 372, 378, 387, 393.

Cultural Anthropology: ANT 270, 272, 273, 278, 294, 302, 303, 306, 307, 374, 383, 385.

Linguistic Anthropology: ANT 306, 308, 338, 342, 383.

- Non-required major courses: The following anthropology elective courses may be taken by anthropology majors to fulfill other General Education requirements, but are not necessary for the major: ANT 143, 176, 297, 398.

NOTE:

1. Students will be advised in individual consultation to take a number of supporting courses in cognate disciplines. The program in cognates may emphasize either the social sciences or the natural sciences, reflecting the student's primary interest in biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, archaeology, or linguistics. Cognate courses may count toward the required four subfield electives with consent of the program coordinator or the department advisor.

2. All anthropology majors are encouraged to take SOC 275 (Social Statistics) as part of their undergraduate curriculum.

3. No Sociology courses may be counted toward the 37 hours in Anthropology required for the major.

4. Special topics courses which vary from semester to semester (ANT 306; 383) may be used to substitute for one of the four required subfield electives if consent is granted by the program coordinator.

5. A grade of C or better is required in ANT 102 and 185.

Proposed revised *Undergraduate Catalog* copy for program.

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The Anthropology program at Illinois State University offers two sequences: Anthropology Sequence, and Anthropology Accelerated Sequence which is a pathway to the Anthropology Master's program.

ANTHROPOLOGY SEQUENCE

- Minimum of 40 hours in Anthropology required.
- Required courses (25 hours): ANT 102, 185, 274, 277, 281, 292, 350, 380, 382.
- Grade of C or better required in ANT 102 and 185.
- 15 hours of elective courses selected from ANT 270, 272, 273, 278, 280, 291, 294, 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 338, 342, 351, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 378, 379, 381, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 392, 393, 398.
- At least 12 of 15 hours of elective courses must be at the 300-level.

NOTE:

1. The following anthropology courses may be taken by anthropology majors to fulfill General Education requirements but do not count towards electives for the major: ANT 143, 176, 297.
2. All anthropology majors are encouraged to take SOC 275 (Social Statistics) as part of their undergraduate curriculum, however no Sociology courses may be counted toward the 40 hours in Anthropology required for the major.
3. Special topics courses (ANT 306; 383) vary from semester to semester may be taken twice for credit if the content is different.

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3.   Provide a description and list of proposed program revisions.

The proposed changes are to:

1. Specify the requirements for Anthropology sequence in preparation for the addition of a new, accelerated sequence.

2. Allow students to choose major elective courses without regard to subfield.

3. Add three (3) additional elective hours to the anthropology major, from 37 hours to 40 hours

4.Add newly proposed elective courses ANT 351, 379 (previously offered as "Selected Topics" courses);

5. Add existing courses, Undergraduate Teaching Assistantship (ANT 291) and Professional Practice internships (ANT 398) to our list of electives.

6. Add a note that ANT 297, a newly reinstated anthropology course, is available to anthropology majors as a General Education course but not for major elective credit.

In addition, we have modified some of the wording in the notes to clarify program requirements.

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4.   Provide a rationale for proposed program revisions.

These changes are proposed to provide greater flexibility for our undergraduate anthropology students.

1. The pending approval of a 4+1 Accelerated MA program in anthropology necessitates a few changes to the undergraduate program. In consultation with Amy Hurd and the Graduate School, we propose to divide the Major into two sequences, an Anthropology sequence and an accelerated (4+1 sequence). The changes herein pertain to the already established Major in Anthropology which will now be the Anthropology Sequence

2. Our curriculum was designed along a "four-field approach" (that is, students take courses in biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, linguistics, and archaeology) with roots in earliest days of anthropology. Anthropology has since become more specialized and this generalist approach in increasingly antiquated. Few undergraduate programs offer courses in all four subfields, and graduate programs in anthropology no longer require courses in all four subfields for admission. The four-field requirement is also out-of-line with students' interests which usually encompass one or two of the four subfields (we find that students tend either toward cultural/linguistic studies or toward biological and archaeological studies). The proposed changes to the required courses maintain exposure to the four sub-fields via the two introductory courses (ANT 102 and 185) and four courses in each of the subfields (ANT 274, 277, 281 and 350). However, we are allowing students to choose their subfield of focus by removing the requirement that electives come from each of the fields. We hope that this increased flexibility in the program attracts more students to our major.

3. While we are "opening up" elective choices for students, we also want to ensure that students still take a variety of courses in more than one subfield. We also want to ensure that our elective courses, especially at the upper-level, have robust enrollment numbers. Thus we propose to add three additional hours of elective courses to the major. Given that our major currently requires few hours (37 hours), which is less than similar majors, such as Geography, we do not anticipate that the addition will impact time to graduation or pose other impediments.

5. We wish to add newly proposed courses, ANT 351 and 379, to our curriculum as electives. These elective courses have already shown success as Selected Topics courses and reflect the disciplinary specialties of their instructors. In addition, we want to encourage students to take advantage of teaching and internship opportunities and thus propose to add these existing courses to courses eligible for elective credit.

6. ANT 297 is a newly reinstated anthropology course in the General Education Social Science category. Anthropology students may take this course but it will not count towards their major electives (as is the case with ANT 143 and ANT 176).

4.1.   Provide a sample four year plan of study demonstrating that a student could realistically complete the program requirements in a specific number of semesters.

The sample four-year plan is attached as a PDF document under Supporting Documents.

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5.   Describe the expected effect of the proposed program changes on existing campus programs (if applicable).

We do not expect that this change to our program will impact other programs on campus.

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6.   Yes   Does this program revision proposal include new or revised course proposals that have also been submitted for approval?
    Outline them below. *Include departments, course numbers, and course titles.*
This proposal includes two new course proposals: ANT 351 (Midwestern Archaeology) and ANT 379 (Symbols in American Culture), which are grad/undergrad elective courses.

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7.   Anticipated funding needs and source of funds.

We do not expect any additional funding requirements due to these changes.

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8.   No   Does this program lead to teacher certification?

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9.   No   Is this an Interdisciplinary Studies program?

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10.   The following questions must be answered.
    N.A.   Have you confirmed that Milner Library has sufficient resources for the proposed program?

    No   Are more than 124 hours required to complete a degree with this major?

    No   Beyond General Education, does the major require more than 66 semester hours?

    No   Does this B.A., B.S., B.S.Ed. require more than 55 semester hours of major courses?

Yes Does this program (majors only) stipulate a specific General Education course(s) as part of the major requirements?

Note: This is only allowed if such courses serve as prerequisites for other courses required by the major.

Explain why specific general education courses are required.

ANT 102 and ANT 185 serve as both General Education courses and as required introductory courses in the major (there is no change in this requirement). Most students do not have anthropology in high school and only learn of it via General Education courses. These courses provide a baseline education and serve as prerequisites for the required 200-level majors-only courses. Students must earn a C or better in ANT 102/185 courses in order to proceed in the major.

ANT 143, 176, and 297 are anthropology courses that may be taken by anthropology majors to fulfill their General Education requirements but are NOT stipulated as part of the major. These courses serve the General Education Program and are not prerequisites for any anthropology course.

No Is the proposed program intended to be longer than four years?

N.A. Have letter(s) of concurrence from affected departments/schools been obtained?

A departments/school is affected if it has a program with significant overlap or if it teaches a required or elective course in the program.

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11. Routing and action summary for Revised Program:

Proposal Routing

1. Anthropology Department Curriculum Committee Chair

Gina Hunter (website)	Gina Hunter	9/27/2017 10:31:07 AM
Signature	Print	Date

2. Anthropology Department Chair/School Director

James Skibo (website)	James Skibo	9/27/2017 10:37:17 AM
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3. College of Arts & Science College Curriculum Committee Chair

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5. University Curriculum Committee Chair

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Comments

Comments from Version 1 from Todd Stewart (College Curriculum Committee Chair):

Hi. We voted to reject this proposal yesterday, because some fairly extensive changes are needed before we can approve it. Generally, please proofread the next version carefully; there are various scattered typos, etc. And, as in another proposal, you seem to use "sub-field" and "sub-discipline" interchangeably. We think it would improve clarity to pick one and use it consistently. More substantively: (1) ANT 291 and 398 are listed in a list of gen eds in the new catalog copy, but these are not gen ed courses. So this bit needs work. (2) We're not sure from the new copy whether ANT 143, 176, 197, 291, and 398 can count towards the ANT major as electives or not. Maybe this little list is meant to signal that these are the courses where gen ed and major double-dipping are allowed? We weren't sure. If they are possible electives for the major, then they should be added to the list of elective courses above. Partly, we're not sure how the electives and gen ed (but really not as noted in (1)) lists are interactions. (3) We also think that ANT 379 needs to be associated with this proposal. We would also not be able to approve the proposal without first approving ANT 197. So it might be a good idea to associate ANT 197 with this proposal as well. Thanks, Todd Stewart, Chair, CAS CC