Applied Anthropology, Ph.D.

Degree Information

Priority Admission Application Deadlines:  http://www.grad.usf.edu/majors

Minimum Total Hours: 42 beyond MA
Level: Doctoral
CIP Code: 45.0201
Dept. Code: ANT
Major/College Codes: APA AS
Effective: 1984

Concentrations:

Archaeological and Forensic Sciences (AAF)
Bio-cultural Medical Anthropology (BCM)
Cultural Resource Management (CRM)
Heritage Studies (HGS)

Also offered as a Concurrent Degree

Contact Information

College: Arts and Sciences
Department: Anthropology

Contact Information:
http://www.grad.usf.edu/majors
http://anthropology.usf.edu/graduate/

The Ph.D. in Applied Anthropology, initiated in 1984, was the first doctoral major of its kind and has to date awarded more than 140 degrees. The major is designed to prepare students to conduct research, teach, and practice in both academic and nonacademic settings. Students participate in either a structured research internship or independent field research for two consecutive semesters. Students must choose one of four tracks, which guide curriculum and required courses: Archaeology, Biological Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology, or Medical Anthropology. In addition, students can select elective courses to fulfill an optional concentration in Archaeological and Forensic Sciences, Biocultural Medical Anthropology, Cultural Resource Management, or Heritage Studies.

Major Research Areas:
Human biology; biocultural medical anthropology; nutrition/diet; growth and development;
population genetics; forensic anthropology and human rights; neuroanthropology; stress; immune function; maternal and child health; reproductive health; HIV/AIDS; disasters; water and sanitation; migrant health; health policy; sociocultural and historical anthropology; transnational migration; labor; neoliberal globalization; citizenship; media and visual anthropology; environmental anthropology; urban anthropology; pedagogy and educational anthropology; heritage and memory studies; Florida archaeology; Eastern U.S. prehistory; Mesoamerican archaeology; Mediterranean prehistory; archaeological science; bioarchaeology; cultural resource management; public archeology.

**Admission Information**

Must meet University Admission and English Proficiency requirements as well as requirements for admission to the major, listed below.

- Master’s degree in Anthropology or related field
- GRE required
- Concurrent Degree applicants (Anthropology/Public Health) must also meet GRE requirements for the MPH
- a statement of purpose
- a signed research ethics statement
- at least 3 letters of recommendation
- a curriculum vitae
- supplemental department application form
- writing sample (optional)

**Curriculum Requirements**

**Total minimum required hours - 42 hours beyond the M.A.**

Core Requirements - 6 hours
Track - 30 hours
Internship/Dissertation Research – 3 hours minimum
Dissertation – 3 hours minimum
*Optional Concentrations -9 hours minimum*

*students have the option of earning a concentration through coursework options within the track.
Core Requirements (6 Credit Hours)

- ANG 7938 Doctoral Proseminar in Applied Anthropology Credit Hours: 3
- ANG 7487 Advanced Quantitative Research Methods in Applied Anthropology Credit Hours: 3

Ph.D. students who do not have a recent (within the past five years) M.A. in Anthropology are also required to take ANG 6705 Foundations of Applied Anthropology.

- ANG 6705 Foundations of Applied Anthropology I Credit Hours: 3 (if required)

Tracks (30 Credit Hours)

Students select one of the following tracks:

Archaeology Track:

- ANG 6110 Archaeology Theory and Current Issues Credit Hours: 3
- ANG 6197 Public Archaeology Credit Hours: 3
- ANG 6115 Seminar In Archaeology Credit Hours: 3 (Advanced Archaeological Theory)
- One course in Anthropological Methods Credit Hours: 3
- Four courses in Anthropology Credit Hours: 12
- Two courses External to Anthropology Credit Hours: 6

Biological Anthropology Track

- ANG 6701 Contemporary Applied Anthropology Credit Hours: 3
- OR
- ANG 6110 Archaeology Theory and Current Issues Credit Hours: 3
- ANG 6516 Human Variation Credit Hours: 3
- ANG 6585 Theories in Applied Bioanthropology Credit Hours: 3
- Four courses in Anthropology Credit Hours: 12
- Two courses External to Anthropology Credit Hours: 6
- One Anthropology or External course Credit Hours: 3
### Cultural Anthropology Track

- ANG 6084 - Anthropological Theory Today **Credit(s): 3**
- ANG 6701 Contemporary Applied Anthropology **Credit Hours: 3**
- ANG 6766 Research Methods in Applied Anthropology **Credit Hours: 3**
- ANG 7704 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Applied Anthropology **Credit Hours: 3**
- Three courses in Anthropology **Credit Hours: 9**
- One Anthropology or External course **Credit Hours: 3**
- Two courses External to Anthropology **Credit Hours: 6**

### Medical Anthropology Track

- ANG 6084 - Anthropological Theory Today **Credit Hours: 3**
- ANG 6701 Contemporary Applied Anthropology **Credit Hours: 3**
- ANG 6766 Research Methods in Applied Anthropology **Credit Hours: 3**
- ANG 7704 Legal and Ethical Aspects of Applied Anthropology **Credit Hours: 3**
- ANG 6469 Selected Topics in Medical Anthropology **Credit Hours: 3 (Theory and Methods in Medical Anthropology)**
- Two courses in Medical Anthropology **Credit Hours: 6**
- One Anthropology or External course **Credit Hours: 3**
- Two courses External to Anthropology **Credit Hours: 6**

### External Curriculum Requirement

The external curriculum requirement for each track is designed to promote interdisciplinary perspectives. As part of each track students are expected to enroll in graduate-level courses in departments other than Anthropology, selected on the basis of professional interests and in consultation with the major advisor (if the student takes only two external courses, he/she must take an additional anthropology elective). Refer to each track for specific requirements. Students who enter the Ph.D. program with post-baccalaureate degrees in disciplines other than Anthropology may be able to use that expertise to satisfy the requirement, after consultation with the major advisor and approval of the Graduate Director. In these cases, the remaining credit hours will be fulfilled through additional coursework in Anthropology.
Concentration Requirements (Optional, not required)

Students may select one of the following concentrations. Credit hours used toward the concentration would take the place of discretionary courses in the track.

Concentration in Archaeological and Forensic Sciences (12 Credit Hours)

Two required courses (3 credits each):

- ANG 6115 Seminar In Archaeology Credit Hours: 3 (Archaeological Science)
- ANG 6745 Forensic Anthropology Credit Hours: 3
  or
- ANG 6511 Seminar in Physical Anthropology Credit Hours: 3 (Forensic Science)

And two additional courses (3 credits each) selected from the following; one may be outside of Anthropology

- ANG 6189 - Ancient Diets Credit(s): 3
- ANG 6195 - Ancient Trade Credit(s): 3
- ANG 6511 - Seminar in Physical Anthropology Credit Hours: 3 (Anthrogenetics)
- ANB 6536 - Bioarchaeology Credit(s): 3
- ANG 6745 - Forensic Anthropology Credit(s): 3
- ANG 6741 - Intro to Forensic Science Credit(s): 3
- ANG 6511 Seminar in Physical Anthropology Credit(s): 3 (Advanced Methods in Forensic Anthropology)
- ANG 6525 - Human Osteology Credit(s): 3
- ANG 6115 Seminar In Archaeology Credit Hours: 3 (Soils)
- ANG 6115 Seminar In Archaeology Credit(s): 3 (Technologies for Heritage Preservation)

External courses that also qualify (only 1 can count towards concentration):

- GIS 6038C Remote Sensing Credit Hours: 3
- GIS 6039 Remote Sensing Seminar Credit Hours: 3
- GLY 6255 Tracer Geochemistry Credit Hours: 3
- GLY 6285C Analytical Techniques in Geology Credit Hours: 3
- GLY 6475C - Principles of Applied Geophysics
- GLY 6739 Selected Topics in Geology Credit Hours: 1-4

Concentration in Bio-Cultural Medical Anthropology (12 Credit Hours)
Four graduate medical anthropology courses with the ANG prefix:

- **ANG 6469 Selected Topics in Medical Anthropology** Credit Hours: 3
- **ANG 6511 Seminar in Physical Anthropology** Credit Hours: 3 (Theory and Methods of Applied Biological Anthropology)
- **ANG 6511 Seminar in Physical Anthropology** Credit(s): 3 (e.g. Human Variation, Anthropology of Growth and Development, Forensic Anthropology)
- **ANG 6469** Selected Topics in Medical Anthropology or **ANG 5937** Seminar in Anthropology (e.g. Nutritional Anthropology, Socio-Cultural Aspects of HIV/AIDS, Issues in Migrant Health, Anthropology and Development, Reproductive Health)

**Concentration in Cultural Resource Management (9 Credit Hours)**

**Required:**

- **ANG 6197 Public Archaeology** Credit Hours: 3
- **ANG 6115 Seminar In Archaeology** Credit Hours: 3 (Current Issues & Techniques in Cultural Resource Management)

And one of the following:

- **ANG 6448 Regional Problems in Urban Anthropology** Credit Hours: 3 (Issues in Heritage Tourism) (or other as approved by Graduate Director)
- **ANG 6115 Seminar In Archaeology** Credit Hours: 3 (Historical Archaeology, Florida Archaeology, Southeastern Archaeology, Museum Methods, or other as approved by Graduate Director)
- Graduate Class in Geographic Information Systems (3 Credit Hours). The GIS course can be offered in Anthropology or another department.

**Concentration in Heritage Studies (9 Credit Hours)**

**Required**

- **ANG 7708 - Selected Topics in Applied Anthropology: Issues in Heritage Studies** Credit(s): 3
Two courses from among the following options:

- **ANG 5395 Visual Anthropology** Credit Hours: 3
- **ANG 6081 Museum Methods** Credit Hours: 4
- **ANG 6197 Public Archaeology** Credit Hours: 3
- **ANG 6436 Issues in Heritage Tourism** Credit Hours: 3
- **ANG 6448 Regional Problems in Urban Anthropology** Credit Hours: 3 (*Topics include 'Ethnohistory,' 'Museums in Culture,' 'Ethnicity and Public Policy,' 'Heritage Research and Management,' 'Culture and Environmental Resources,')
- **ANG 6676 Seminar in Anthropological Linguistics** Credit(s): 3 (When the topic is 'Language and Culture' or 'Language and Racism')
- **ANG 7487 Advanced Quantitative Research Methods Applied Anthropology** Credit Hours: 3

**Language Requirement**

All Ph.D. students are required to demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language, the specifics to be determined by the student and the supervisory committee, taking into account the nature of the student's research. Minimal proficiency is demonstrated by the ability to satisfactorily translate a selection of the scholarly literature in the foreign language, with the occasional aid of a dictionary or completion of an advanced level language study course. The supervisory committee may assess or require additional levels of proficiency depending on the nature of individual student research. The language requirement must be satisfied no later than the date of the dissertation defense.

**Qualifying Examination**

Qualifying examination covering area of specialization within applied anthropology and external specialization.

**Internship/Dissertation Research (3 Credit Hours Minimum)**

Two-semester internship or dissertation research **ANG 7940 Doctoral Internship in Applied Anthropology** (minimum of 3 credit hours).

- **ANG 7940 Doctoral Internship in Applied Anthropology** Credit Hours: (minimum of 3 credit hours)
- **ANG 7980 Dissertation: Doctoral** Credit Hours: 3-15 (3 Credit Hours for this requirement)
Dissertation (3 Credit Hours Minimum)

- **ANG 7980 Dissertation: Doctoral** Credit Hours: **3-15** (3 credit hours minimum for this program)

  Dissertation, based on research or internship

**Paul D. Coverdell Fellows Program in Applied Anthropology for Returning Peace Corps Volunteers**

Students in the Coverdell Program are required to complete internships related to the program of study in underserved American Communities.

For more information on the Fellows Program: [https://www.peacecorps.gov/volunteer/university-programs/coverdell-fellows/](https://www.peacecorps.gov/volunteer/university-programs/coverdell-fellows/)

**Concurrent Degree**

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