## Rationale

The proposed curriculum change:

a) eliminates the Applied Anthropology option because the application of anthropological concepts is emphasized throughout much of our standard curriculum and there has been no demand for a specialization in Applied Anthropology for at least ten years;

b) increases the total number of anthropology credit hours through the addition of three additional advanced anthropology hours in order to better prepare anthropology majors for future careers and advanced training in anthropology; and

c) encourages students to include courses that specifically focus on methods of one or more of the subfields of anthropology that fit their anthropological interest(s).

## Impact (i.e. if this impacts another unit)

None

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Bachelor degree requirements

Requirements

In addition to the general BA or BS requirements, anthropology majors take a minimum of 30 hours in anthropology as follows:

Introductions to the four subfields:

- ANTH 200 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology Credits: (3)
- or
- ANTH 204 - A General Education Introduction to Cultural Anthropology Credits: (3)
- or
- ANTH 210 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Honors Credits: (4)
- ANTH 220 - Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology Credits: (3)
- ANTH 260 - Introduction to Archaeology Credits: (3)
- ANTH 280 - Introduction to Physical Anthropology Credits: (3)

Five advanced electives distributed among three or more subfields:

- 15 hours at or above the 300 level. At least 9 of these must be at or above the 500 level.

Students are strongly encouraged to include at least one methods course (e.g., ANTH 677 Digital Ethnography; ANTH 678 Archaeological Laboratory Methods; ANTH 679 Archaeological Field Methods; ANTH 694 & 695 Osteology and Laboratory in Osteology; ANTH 730 Archaeological Field School; ANTH 792 Field Methods in
Capstone course

- ANTH 602 - Anthropological Theory
  Credits: (3)

Note

Many anthropology students prepare for the variety of occupations concerned with human relations by combining anthropological study with other training, frequently by majoring in two fields. Each program of study is worked out individually by a student and his or her advisor. Interested students may obtain additional information from the Guide for Prospective Anthropology Majors, which is available from the department office.

Applied anthropology option

The applied anthropology option provides preparation and experience in the application of anthropology to professional settings outside the academic environment. The option is interdisciplinary, combining anthropology with other areas of training and expertise. While the option is flexible and accommodates a wide range of individual student interests, emphasis is on three major areas: developmental/action anthropology (domestic, international, community, and rural development); cultural resource management (historic preservation, parks and museums, and public archaeology); and complex organizations (agencies, foundations, business, administration, planning, and policy analysis).

The option builds on existing requirements for a bachelor’s degree in anthropology. It adds 6 hours in anthropology and 18 hours in an area specialization outside the anthropology major. Double major, dual degree, preprofessional, and secondary major programs are particularly well suited for the option. Application to participate is normally made to the anthropology faculty during
or before the junior year.

In addition to the existing 27 hours of major requirements for the bachelor’s degree in anthropology, the following course is required:

- **ANTH 626 – Internship in Museology**
  Credits: (3)

- or

- **ANTH 641 – Internship in Applied Anthropology**
  Credits: (3)

**Option requirements**

An area specialization consisting of 18 hours of course work outside anthropology with the following distribution:

- Quantitative or technical skill development (6)
- Subject matter courses (12)

**Note**

The area specialization is a set of related courses focused on a particular interest, problem domain, or area of expertise taken from any other discipline or combination of disciplines. The quantitative and technical skill courses must be consistent with and supportive of the subject matter work. Students must demonstrate the coherence of their chosen area specialization and its fit with anthropology. The area specialization must be approved by the anthropology faculty.