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Department of Anthropology

Anthropology Honors Program

The Anthropology Honors Program provides academically motivated students the opportunity to gain advanced instruction in the field of Anthropology and be directly involved in research. The program is designed to expose students to a broader and more in-depth coverage of anthropological theory, methods, and praxis, and to enhance their ability to find employment and/or gain admission to a graduate program upon graduation. Completion of Anthropology Honors also satisfies the majority of requirements for University Honors and Liberal Arts Honors. In recognition of completing the program, students will receive a certificate, and the Anthropology Honors designation will be indicated on their official transcript.

Departmental requirements to be admitted and graduate with Anthropology Honors:

Admission

- Graduate within the top **10**% of their high school class.
- Score a minimum of **1250** (**570** verbal / **570** math) on the SAT, or **28** (**27** verbal / **27** math) for the ACT.

OR

- Have a minimum **3.5** cumulative Texas A&M University GPR.

Probation

If a student's cumulative GPR falls below 3.5, he/she will be placed on probation for one semester. During this time, the student will not be allowed to register for Honors courses. If the student fails to raise his/her GPR to 3.5, or if the GPR falls below 3.5 for a second time, he/she will be dropped from the program and cannot be readmitted.

Graduation

- Maintain a minimum **3.5** cumulative university GPR.
- Maintain a minimum **3.25** Honors cumulative GPR.
- Complete **18** hours of Honors classes as follows:
  - **6** hours minimum from ANTH 300/400/600 courses, 3 of which must be at the 400/600 level
  - **6** additional hours from any ANTH courses
  - **3** hours from any 300/400/600 courses outside Anthropology
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  - Maximum of 6 hours from 600 courses, 6 hours from combined 485/491
- Complete at least **2** of the following high-impact activities:
  - Summer field school
  - Honors Independent Study (3 hour ANTH 485/491 with independent research and thesis)
  - Presentation of research at university or professional conference
  - Registering for and attending major professional conference (not presenting)
  - Publication (including co-authorship)
  - Volunteer/work-study involvement on a research project with an Anthropology faculty member
  - Participation in a fall or spring semester or summer session Study Abroad program
  - Internship

Please note that many (but not all) of the high-impact activities also allow you to earn honors credit, but it might be necessary to establish an honors contract with the instructor before the 12th day of the semester.

Eligible current and potential Anthropology majors are encouraged to consult with the Director of Undergraduate Studies (Dr. Catharina Laporte, claporte@tamu.edu) as early in their academic career as possible to plan their course sequence.

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Anthropology Honors Program Graduation Checklist

How to Earn Honors Credits

Honors Courses: These are designated by the HNR abbreviation before the course listing. They can be stand-alone courses only available to honors students, or stacked courses available to honors and non-honors students.

Graduate Courses: With permission from the instructor, a student can earn honors credit by taking graduate courses (for undergraduate credit), which are listed as 600-level courses.

Honors Contracts: Honors students can create contracts with instructors of any course, which outline additional activities that will be conducted in order to earn honors credit. These contracts are due by the 12th class day.

Honors Independent Study: Honors students can arrange to conduct an independent study with any professor (ANTH 485 or 491). Students must complete and submit an application to the Honors and Undergraduate Research Office.

For more information, please see: https://launch.tamu.edu/Honors/Honors-Fellows- Distinction

Required Honors Coursework

ANTH 400/600 (3 hours)

Course	Semester	Grade	Hours
1.			
2.			
		Total (min 3)	

ANTH 300/400/600 (3 hours)

Course	Semester	Grade	Hours
1.			
2.			
		Total (min 3)	

ANTH (6 hours)

Course	Semester	Grade	Hours
1.			
2.			
3.			
		Total (min 6)	

Outside ANTH 300/400/600 (3 hours)

Course	Semester	Grade	Hours
1.			
2.			
		Total (min 3)	

Outside ANTH (3 hours)

Course	Semester	Grade	Hours
1.			
2.			
		Total (min 3)	

High Impact Activities (2)

Activity	Semester
1.	
2.	

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