

Anthropology of Global Health at the University of Vermont

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Students interested in human health and its variation within and across different populations, cultures, and societies will want to consider tailoring their major or minor in Anthropology to focus on global health. The Anthropology Department offers a variety of courses centered on biological and cultural anthropology and related to the body and health in varying cultural, social, and environmental settings. These courses are designed for students with an interest in biological anthropology, medical anthropology, diversity and health, and public and global health.

We offer three different courses of study in this area, ranging from the most in-depth Anthropology Major with a Global Health Focus, to two options requiring fewer courses in related topics, including a Major Concentration in the Anthropology of Global Health, and an Anthropology Minor with a Global Health Focus. Students who complete the most in-depth Anthropology Major with a Global Health Focus option may also design their plan of study to complete the Major Concentration in the Anthropology of Global Health along the way.

Global Health Focus in the Anthropology Major

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For students who wish to go into the most depth in the anthropology of global health, we offer a Global Health Focus in the Anthropology Major. To complete the Global Health Focus in the Anthropology Major, students take three core courses in cultural, biological and medical anthropology and four elective courses in the anthropology of health, together with four additional required courses needed to complete the Anthropology Major, as specified below:

All three of these core courses in cultural, biological, and medical anthropology (9 credits):

ANTH 021: Cultural Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 026: Biological Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 174: Culture, Health, and Healing (3.00 credits)

Four elective courses related to approaches to health in biological anthropology and cultural anthropology (12 credits), including the following:

At least two of the following 100-level courses (6 credits):

ANTH 140: Primates and Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 152: Chinese Culture and Society (3.00 credits)
ANTH 172: Gender, Sex, and Culture (3.00 credits)
ANTH 179: Environmental Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 180: Psychological Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 184: Street Children (3.00 credits)
ANTH 185: Food and Culture (3.00 credits) (offered in past years at this level)
ANTH 187: Race and Ethnicity (3.00 credits)
ANTH 189: Aging in Cultural Perspective (3.00 credits)
ANTH 195/6: Death, Burial, and Culture (3.00 credits)

And at least two of the following 200-level courses (6 credits):

ANTH 220: Development and Applied Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 240: Human Osteology (3.00 credits)

ANTH 285: Food and Labor (3.00 credits)
ANTH 288: Anthropology of Global Health (3.00 credits)
ANTH 290: Ethnographic Research Methods (3.00 credits)
ANTH 295/6: Human Diversity and Evolution (3.00 credits)

Plus additional courses required by the major, including:

Two additional required core courses (6 credits):

ANTH 024 (3.00 credits) and ANTH 028 (3.00 credits)

One additional elective course at the 100- or 200-level (3 credits):

These may include any of the 100- or 200-level courses above not already used to fulfill major requirements and/or other 100- or 200-level courses in Anthropology designated as counting toward the major in the standard major guidelines for Anthropology. If your other 100-level are not drawn from at least two different subfields (e.g., biological and cultural anthropology), you will need to ensure that this course is from a separate subfield.

One additional course at any level (3 credits)

This may include any of the courses above not already used to fulfill major requirements and/or other course in Anthropology designated as counting toward the major in the standard major guidelines for Anthropology. Course of particular interest include but are not limited to:

ANTH 040: Parenting and Childhood (3.00 credits)
ANTH 085: Food and Culture (3.00 credits)
ANTH 088: Sex, Gender, Culture, and Health (3.00 credits)
ANTH 089/095: Global Health, Development, and Diversity
ANTH 095/096: Street Children (TAP) (3.00 credits)
HCOL 086: Medical Anthropology and Global Health (3.00 credits)

Additional recommendations:

Beyond the coursework described above, it is also highly recommended that majors take the **proseminars ANTH 105 and/or ANTH 205** and seek one or more relevant **capstone experiences**, such as an internship, practicum, or research experience involving the application of biological/medical anthropology.

We also encourage students to do the following:

- participate in foreign language training beyond the introductory level to enhance their cultural awareness and communication skills.
- pursue training in statistics such as STAT 051 or higher to develop quantitative social science skills.

Additional notes on the major: Students interested in completing the Major in Anthropology with Global Health Focus are encouraged to consult their faculty advisor early in their program. Students with the focus will fulfill all requirements of the Anthropology major but choose the courses that they take to mostly focus on health-related topics.

Signup Instructions: Go to the Registrar's webpage and sign up for an Anthropology Major or an Anthropology Major with a Concentration in the Anthropology of Global Health, the latter of which will ensure that the words Anthropology of Global Health are indicated on your official academic transcript. In addition, fill out the Anthropology Major with a Global Health Focus form and turn in to Williams Hall 509 so that you are connected with related advising resources.

Anthropology of Global Health Concentration in the Anthropology Major

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For Anthropology majors who wish for a moderate level of engagement in the anthropology of global health, we now offer a new Major Concentration in the Anthropology of Global Health, as of Spring 2017. Students who complete the more involved Anthropology Major with a Global Health Focus (above) may also design their plan of study to complete the Major Concentration in the Anthropology of Global Health along the way. The official Concentration allows for Anthropology of Global Health to appear on students' official academic transcripts. Anthropology majors not wishing to devote more than twelve credits to the study of global health may elect to complete the Concentration only without pursuing the more in-depth Focus. Electing the Concentration only gives students some exposure to key courses in the anthropology of global health while allowing them added flexibility in their other major courses.

Students must take twelve credits from the following course list:

ANTH 026: Biological Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 040: Parenting and Childhood (3.00 credits)
ANTH 085: Food and Culture (3.00 credits)
ANTH 088: Sex, Gender, Culture, and Health (3.00 credits)
ANTH 089: Global Health, Development, and Diversity (3.00 credits)
ANTH 172: Gender, Sex, and Culture (3.00 credits)
ANTH 174: Culture, Health, and Healing (3.00 credits)
ANTH 180: Psychological Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 184: Street Children (3.00 credits)
ANTH 189: Anthropology of Aging (3.00 credits)
ANTH 240: Human Osteology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 288: Anthropology of Global Health (3.00 credits)
ANTH 290: Ethnographic Research Methods (with relevant student project) (3.00 credits)
ANTH 293: Internship (with relevant placement) (3.00 credits)

Beyond the above, special or variable topics course and internships may also be considered with the approval of the concentration advisor.

At least six credits of the above courses must be taken at the 100-level or above.

At least three credits of the above courses must be taken at the 200-level.

In addition, all requirements for the Anthropology major must be fulfilled.

Signup Instructions: Go to the Registrar's webpage and sign up for an Anthropology Major with a Concentration in the Anthropology of Global Health. In addition, fill out the Anthropology of Global Health Major Concentration form and turn in to Williams Hall 509 so that you are connected with related advising resources.

Minor in Anthropology with Global Health Focus

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The Minor in Anthropology with a Global Health Focus is for students who would like to learn about the Anthropology of Global Health but who do not have room in their schedule to take more than 18 credits in Anthropology. In this Minor Focus, students take:

All three of the following core courses (9 credits):

ANTH 021: Cultural Anthropology (3.00 credits)
ANTH 026: Biological Anthropology (3.00 credits)

ANTH 174: Culture, Health, and Healing (3.00 credits)

Three of the following electives (9 credits) with six elective credits at the 100-level or above:

ANTH 040: Parenting and Childhood (3.00 credits)

ANTH 085: Food and Culture (3.00 credits)

ANTH 088: Sex, Gender, Culture, and Health (3.00 credits)

ANTH 089/095: Global Health, Development, and Diversity

ANTH 095: Street Children (TAP) (3.00 credits)

HCOL 086: Medical Anthropology and Global Health (3.00 credits)

ANTH 140: Primates and Anthropology (3.00 credits)

ANTH 152: Chinese Culture and Society (3.00 credits)

ANTH 172: Gender, Sex, and Culture (3.00 credits)

ANTH 179: Environmental Anthropology (3.00 credits)

ANTH 180: Psychological Anthropology (3.00 credits)

ANTH 184: Street Children (3.00 credits)

ANTH 185: Food and Culture (3.00 credits) (offered in past years at this level)

ANTH 187: Race and Ethnicity (3.00 credits)

ANTH 189: Aging in Cultural Perspective (3.00 credits)

ANTH 195/6: Death, Burial, and Culture (3.00 credits)

ANTH 220: Development and Applied Anthropology (3.00 credits)

ANTH 240: Human Osteology (3.00 credits)

ANTH 285: Food and Labor (3.00 credits)

ANTH 290: Ethnographic Research Methods (3.00 credits)

ANTH 288: Anthropology of Global Health (3.00 credits)

ANTH 295/6: Human Diversity and Evolution (3.00 credits)

Additional notes on the minor: Students interested in completing the Minor in Anthropology with a Global Health Focus are encouraged to consult a faculty advisor early in their program. Students with the focus will fulfill all requirements of the Anthropology minor but choose the courses that they take to focus on health-related topics.

Signup Instructions: Go to the Registrar's webpage and sign up for an Anthropology Minor. In addition, fill out the Anthropology Minor with a Global Health Focus form and turn in to Williams Hall 509 so that you are connected with related advising resources.