

## **WHAT IS ANTHROPOLOGY?**

Anthropology is a broad field related to the social and the natural sciences as well as the humanities. As a field of inquiry, it is simultaneously basic and comprehensive. It is basic in that it addresses fundamental questions concerning human nature and the human experience. It is comprehensive because it considers all aspects of humankind, from our biological and ecological facets to our social relations and cultural expression, be they political, economic, intellectual, religious or artistic. Anthropology studies all human groups from the past to the present and in every part of the globe.

Understanding the premises and findings of anthropology has become part of the necessary background for the educated person, and there is good reason for this. Knowing something about one's own species, the foundations of human culture, the nature of human evolution and social structures, and having the means for analyzing behavior in our own and other cultures have great utility. Whether one is an independent business person, professional, corporate employee, public servant, or teacher, familiarity with anthropology can provide a deepened perspective on self and others that will be of benefit throughout life.

## **HISTORY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY**

The Department of Anthropology at Notre Dame began as a part of the joint Department of Sociology & Anthropology. In 1982, anthropology separated to become an autonomous department. At present, there are more than 300 students majoring or minoring in this discipline, representing interests in a variety of sub-areas.

## **THE DEPARTMENTAL OFFICE**

Located in 611 Flanner Hall, office hours are 8:00 – Noon and 1:00 – 5:00 during the academic year. During the summer, the office closes at 4:30 p.m. During these times, the department is always available to the student for any questions you may have. We like to keep an informal atmosphere so that students feel at ease to come in for business, to catch up on department activities, or just to talk. All majors and minors are also contacted by the department via email to keep everyone informed of events and provide a channel of communication with the office.

Also available to students are binders and a kiosk with information concerning: 1) field schools, 2) graduate schools, 3) opportunities for study abroad, and 4) summer programs. We also have the American Anthropological Association Guide that lists all universities in the United States and Canada with programs in anthropology. You may look at these any time during office hours.

## **THE PHOTO BOARD**

A bulletin board graces one wall in the departmental office with photographs of students who are current majors and minors. This gallery helps the faculty and students to get to know each other.

## **ADVISING**

### **Undergraduate Advising**

Advising is done by regular faculty members under the direction of the chair and the director of undergraduate studies. Each major and minor will be assigned a specific faculty advisor who **MUST** be consulted prior to course registration each semester, at which time advisors will issue PINs to first majors. Students contemplating overseas programs and study leaves must have their advisor's approval before enrolling in courses at other universities. Therefore, it is very important that students **plan ahead** to see their advisors during office hours or schedule an appointment with them well ahead of deadlines and registration times. Many students decide to concentrate in a particular sub-area of anthropology and are encouraged to seek the advice of any faculty anthropologist who they feel can give them guidance in their areas of interest. Questions about degree audit should be directed to the Dean's Office.

### **Graduate School Advising**

Students considering graduate study in anthropology are wise to consult with various faculty members for suggestions as to appropriate programs to suit their interests. The booklet "Some Basic Tips for Applying to Graduate School: A Student's Perspective" was compiled by Notre Dame anthropology graduate Tanya Ceja. This guide is located in the departmental office along with information from various graduate programs. The director of undergraduate studies has additional resources for students interested in graduate study.

## LISTING OF PROFESSORS

Members of the faculty are listed below in alphabetical order. For each entry you will find the faculty member's latest academic degree, current areas of interest and specialization, and in parentheses, the year each joined the Notre Dame faculty.

### **Albahari, Maurizio**

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., University of California-Irvine, 2006. Urban life, migration, transnationalism, and globalization; culture, identity, pluralism, and interreligious dialogue; Italy, Europe, the U.S. (2007)

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### **Benn-Torres, Jada**

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., University of New Mexico, 2006. Biological anthropology; transatlantic slave trade; genetic adaptations to environment, culture and disease; genetics and health disparity; African Diaspora. (2008)

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### **Blum, Susan D.**

Professor

Ph. D., University of Michigan, 1994. Cultural, linguistic, and psychological anthropology; ethnicity, nationalism, identity; truth; childhood and higher education; food; and anthropological theory; China and Asia, the U.S. (2000)

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### **Bolten, Catherine**

Assistant Professor

Ph. D., University of Michigan, 2008. Peace, development, structural violence and inequalities, poverty, morality, youth; Africa. (2009)

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### **Bradley, Douglas E.**

Concurrent Assistant Professor

Masters in Museum Practice, Univ. of Michigan, 1976. Olmec art iconography, ritual ballgame art, origin of writing in Mesoamerica, African art, Haitian Voodoo art, American Southwestern prehistoric ceramics. (1987)

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### **Chesson, Meredith S.**

Associate Professor

Ph.D., Harvard University, 1997. Archaeology, early urbanization, anthropology of gender, mortuary practices; Italy, Ancient Near East. (2000).

### **Fuentes, Agustín**

Professor

Ph.D., Univ. of California, Berkeley, 1994. Biological anthropology, primatology, evolution of social organization, primate ecology & conservation, human-nonhuman primate interactions; SE Asia, Gibraltar. (2002)

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### **Gaffney, CSC, Patrick D.**

Associate Professor

Ph.D., University of Chicago, 1982. Religious leadership and politics, symbolic systems, humanitarian crises, language and culture, social structure and conflict; Russia, Central Africa, Egypt and the Middle East. (1980)

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### **Glowacki, Donna**

John Cardinal O'Hara, CSC, Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Arizona State University, 2006. Archaeology, depopulation and migration, social and religious change, intraregional exchange, ceramic and compositional analysis; Southwest and Eastern N. America. (2007)

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### **Kuijt, Ian**

Associate Professor

Ph.D., Harvard University, 1995. Archaeology, Neolithic and lithic technology, and early agriculture; Ancient Near East, Western North America, Ireland. (2000)

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### **Lende, Daniel H.**

Assistant Professor

Ph.D., Emory University, 2003. Medical, psychological, biocultural, and urban anthropology; substance use and abuse, behavioral health, neuroanthropology, methods; Latin America. (2004)

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**Lindland, Eric**

Visiting Assistant Professor  
Ph.D., Emory University, 2005. Religious globalization, Christianity, religion and healing, culture theory, ritual symbolism; Sub-Saharan Africa, Guatemala. (2009)

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**Mack, Joanne M.**

Concurrent Associate Professor  
Ph.D., University of Oregon, 1979. Archaeology of complex hunter-gatherers, N. American ethnography, museum collections, Native American art history, ceramics of hunter-gatherers; Western North America. (1997)

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**Mahmood, Cynthia K.**

Associate Professor  
Ph.D., Tulane University, 1986. Anthropology of war and peace, engaged anthropology, human rights, religion and conflict, writing in ethnography; South Asia. (2001)

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**McKenna, James J.**

The Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, CSC, Professor  
Director, Mother-Baby Behavioral Seep Laboratory  
Ph.D., University of Oregon, 1975. Primate social behavior, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, human ethology, infancy, evolutionary medicine, sleep, medical anthropology. (1997)

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**Nordstrom, Carolyn R.**

Professor  
Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, 1986. Political/economic anthropology, war and peace, transnational crime, globalization, gender, culture theory; Southern Africa and South Asia. (1997)

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**Oka, Rahul**

Visiting Assistant Professor  
Ph.D., University of Illinois at Chicago and the Field Museum, 2007. Urbanism, pre-colonial trade, urban collapse and trends in international commerce, political economy and cultural ecology; Sub-Saharan Africa, India, and Asia. (2007)

**Rotman, Deb**

Assistant Professional Specialist and  
Director of Undergraduate Studies  
Ph. D., University of Massachusetts, 2001. Historical and industrial archaeology; political economy; transnational migration; social relations of class, gender, and ethnicity; landscape studies; Eastern North America and Ireland. (2006)

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**Schurr, Mark R.**

Associate Professor and Chair  
Ph.D., Indiana University, 1989. Archaeology, quantitative methods, archaeological chemistry, mortuary analysis, social complexity in Middle Woodland and Middle Mississippian periods, Native American historical archaeology; Eastern North America. (1991)

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**Sheridan, Susan G.**

Associate Professor  
Ph.D., University of Colorado, 1992. Biological anthropology, paleosteology, trace element analysis, forensic anthropology, chemistry; Israel, Sudan Southwest US. (1992)

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**Smith-Oka, Vania**

Nancy O'Neill Assistant Professor  
Ph.D., University of Illinois-Chicago, 2006. Medical anthropology, globalization and health, ethnobotany, ethnomedicine, anthropology of reproduction; Mexico (2006)

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**Sullivan, Lawrence E.**

Concurrent Professor  
Ph.D., University of Chicago, 1981. History of religions, anthropology of the sacred, health and medicine in religious traditions, religion and culture. (2004)

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**Wolosin, Robert J.**

Adjunct Associate Professor  
Ph.D., University of Michigan, 1968. Social psychology, psychology. Prof. Wolosin teaches ANTH 35250, Cultural Aspects of Clinical Medicine. (1985)

## THE ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR

There are no prerequisites to the major. The major requires 30\* credits, nine of which must be in the sequence of fundamentals, including ANTH 30101 (Fundamentals of Biological Anthropology), ANTH 30102 (Fundamentals of Archaeology), ANTH 30103 (Fundamentals of Social and Cultural Anthropology), and ANTH 30104 (Fundamentals of Linguistic Anthropology). In addition, majors must take ANTH 40400 (Perspectives in Anthropological Analysis), one methods course (three credits), and 15\* credits of electives. At least six credits of the electives must be at the 40000-level. It is recommended that students take the fundamentals by the end of their sophomore year, whereas ANTH 40400 is usually taken as a junior or senior. A list of courses is available in the departmental office, updated to specify the offerings for each semester. \*NOTE: The class of 2010 need only take 12 credits of electives, including at least six credits at the 40000-level, for a total of 27 credits for the major.

Be advised that:

- 30000-level courses normally require one fundamental course as a prerequisite.
- 40000-level courses normally require two fundamental courses as a prerequisite. One may be taken concurrently.
- All abroad programs must be approved in writing with an “Advisor Approval for Study Abroad” form, available in the departmental office. A maximum of six credit hours may be used from transfer and abroad courses. Filling out the form **before** going abroad is strongly encouraged, to ensure that courses taken will fulfill program requirements.
- Transfer credit for courses in “fundamentals” or “methods” will be accepted only under exceptional circumstances and written approval must be obtained from the departmental chair.
- University Seminar may not be used towards the major, the honors major, or the minor.
- Courses taken for Pass/Fail credit **will not** satisfy requirements for the major, the honors track, or the minor.

## THE ANTHROPOLOGY HONORS TRACK

The honors track requires 36\* credits. In addition to the above program, the honors student will complete ANTH 48900 Anthropology Senior Thesis or equivalent (three credits) in the senior year and one additional methods course (three credits). A minimum anthropology grade point average of 3.5 is required or faculty recommendation with vote of the department. \*NOTE: The class of 2010 requires a total of 33 credits for the honors track, since they need only take 12 credits of electives, including at least six credits of electives at the 40000-level (see above).

- You must formally declare an anthropology honors track (ANTH-HONS). You can declare anytime up through the second week of your final semester. If you declare after the final deadline, the honors designation may not appear on your transcript even if you complete all other requirements.
- The final product from your senior thesis or equivalent course must be deposited with the department.
- Also, please see items under “The Anthropology Major.”

## THE ANTHROPOLOGY MINOR

The minor requires 15 credits. There are no prerequisites. Students must take three of the four fundamentals, ANTH 30101, 30102, 30103, and 30104. In addition, students must take six credits of electives.

- Also, please see items under “The Anthropology Major.”

## ANTHROPOLOGY CLUB

All majors and minors are automatically members of the Anthropology Club. Every year officers are elected. They, along with the other majors and minors, put together activities of interest (guest lectures, excursions, get-togethers, film discussions, etc.). The object of the club is to encourage interested students to get to know each other, to learn from each other, and to deepen their involvement in the field of anthropology.

### The 2009-2010 Officers

Elizabeth Dilla

Emily Lyons

Michael Perry

## LAMBDA ALPHA

Lambda Alpha is the national honors society for anthropologists. Its purposes are to promote interest in the study of anthropology as a university discipline, to recognize outstanding student performance, and to encourage scholarship and research in anthropology. Lambda Alpha was established nationally in 1965. Notre Dame became the Beta chapter of Indiana in 1981. A detailed information sheet is available in the departmental office.

### Membership:

a. Membership is by election of 1) an already established chapter, requiring a majority vote of the membership under the supervision of at least one chapter faculty member or 2) a committee of faculty members in conformity with processes approved by the local chapter, Beta of Indiana.

b. Under the same by-laws for membership, undergraduates must 1) be currently enrolled in an academic program, 2) have completed not less than 18 credit hours in anthropology and 3) have an overall G.P.A. in the University of not less than 3.5 and in the major or minor of not less than 3.6 (A-).

### Fees:

Individual lifetime membership fees are \$45.00 (\$25.00 for the national organization and \$20.00 for club dues). Optional journal subscription is \$10.00 per journal. Optional honors stole for graduation is \$25. Fee changes may be determined by the national office at any time. Dues or fees may be assessed of members by their local chapters, as determined by the membership and approved by the local sponsor.

The department sponsors an event to induct all new members chosen to join Lambda Alpha. The event takes place near the end of the academic year and is usually a dinner.

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## DEPARTMENTAL AWARDS

At the end of the academic year, outstanding anthropology majors are selected for awards in various categories.

Awards include:

**David Huffman Scholar/Athlete Award** – to the student with outstanding performance in the major and in athletics.

**The Irwin Press Prize in Medical Anthropology** – for the best paper in medical anthropology.

**The Julian Samora Award** – to an outstanding senior majoring in anthropology.

**The Paul Farmer Applied Anthropology Award** – to the student who has used his/her anthropological training for public service.

**The Peter Brown Professional Achievement Award** – to the anthropology student with outstanding performance in the tasks of a professional academic in one or more of the following arenas: publication, presentation at professional meetings, grants, and fellowships.

**The Reverend Raymond W. Murray, C.S.C., Award in Anthropology** – to an outstanding senior majoring in anthropology.

**The Roberto DaMatta Excellence in Anthropology Award** – to all seniors who achieve a 4.0 grade point average in the anthropology major.

## STUDENT RESEARCH & FIELD SCHOOLS

### **ANTH 35250, Cultural Aspects of Clinical Medicine**

To supplement the classroom studies, all students spend 4 hours weekly working and observing in a local hospital emergency room. This is a 4-credit hour course and is offered in the spring. For more information call Professor Robert Wolosin at 574-631-4479 or send email to wolosin.1@nd.edu. **Junior or senior standing.**

### **ANTH 35588, Archaeology Field School**

Students work in the field to investigate local historic and prehistoric archaeological sites and then analyze artifacts and other data. For more information, visit <http://anthropology.nd.edu/courses/field-school/index.shtml>.

### **ANTH 44810, Patterns & Contexts: Human-Monkey Interactions, Gibraltar**

Intensive training, data collection, and analyses on topics related to the behavior, biology, and cultural contexts of the interactions between humans and macaque monkeys (*Macaca sylvanus*) in Gibraltar. For more information call Professor Agustín Fuentes at 574-631-5421 or send email to fuentes.10@nd.edu.

### **ANTH 45818, NSF/REU Summer Biocultural Research Program**

This course engages students in an experiential learning environment on campus using the large Byzantine St. Stephen's skeletal collection as the cornerstone to reconstruct ancient monastic life. For more information, contact Professor Susan Sheridan at sheridan.5@nd.edu.

All “Directed Readings” courses involve intensive, independent readings on a special problem area. The student will be expected to produce a detailed annotated bibliography and write a scholarly paper. **Consent of instructor.**

**ANTH 46100 Dir. Readings in Biological Anthropology**

**ANTH 46110 Dir. Readings in Bioarchaeology**

**ANTH 46200 Dir. Readings in Medical Anthropology**

**ANTH 46300 Dir. Readings in Sociocultural Anthropology**

**ANTH 46400 Dir. Readings in Linguistic Anthropology**

**ANTH 46500 Dir. Readings in Archaeology**

All “Directed Research” courses involve intensive, independent research on a special problem area. The student will be expected to produce a detailed annotated bibliography and write a scholarly paper, give a poster presentation, or produce a video. **Consent of instructor.**

**ANTH 48100 Dir. Research in Biological Anthropology**

**ANTH 48110 Dir. Research in Bioarchaeology**

**ANTH 48120 Dir. Res. Mother-Baby Behavioral Sleep Lab**

**ANTH 48200 Dir. Research in Medical Anthropology**

**ANTH 48300 Dir. Research in Sociocultural Anthropology**

**ANTH 48310 Dir. Research in Visual Anthropology**

**ANTH 48400 Dir. Research in Linguistic Anthropology**

**ANTH 48500 Dir. Research in Archaeology**

### **ANTH 48900, Anthropology Senior Thesis**

This course, taken as a two-course sequence, often in conjunction with Directed Readings or Directed Research, provides the student with the opportunity for independent study and the development of skills in research and writing during the senior year. The effort is the student's own from the decision on a topic to the conclusion presented in the final paper. Students are advised to formulate a topic and choose a thesis director in their junior year. Guidelines are available in the departmental office. **Senior standing, dean's list, by consent of instructor.**

**Students may design their own research projects while STUDYING ABROAD or by taking FIELD SCHOOLS WITH OTHER INSTITUTIONS.** Examples of student projects include:

- *Ballroom Dancing and Community Identity* in London
- *The Nature of Patient-Doctor Relationships* in Puebla, Mexico
- *Retention of Old English in Ireland* in Dublin
- *Impact of Ecotourism on Indigenous Peoples* in Guatemala
- *Differential Mortuary Practices* in Peru

**The Department of Anthropology also co-sponsors INTERNSHIPS at**

- *The Field Museum* in Chicago (summer)
- *The Smithsonian Institute* in Washington, DC (summer)
- *J.F. New* in Walkerton (summer)
- *Northern Indiana Center for History* in South Bend (academic year)

**CONTACT the director of undergraduate studies, Dr. Rotman (drotman@nd.edu), for more information.**

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