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Our **Program**— we produce versatile anthropological scholar-teacher-practitioners for the 21st century.

As a scholar—you will learn how to identify, research, and solve important local and international problems. You will be trained in ways that reach beyond the methods and theories of your specialty, allowing you to easily adopt and engage with interdisciplinary perspectives.

As a teacher—you will discover how to conceptualize and set up an exciting classroom and engage with students across a spectrum of learning environments. You will learn to create compelling presentations that reflect your passion for anthropology, explore the complementarity of teaching and research, and remain sensitive to critical ethical issues.

As a practitioner—you will be pushed to think outside the box whenever possible, to be open to interdisciplinary—if not novel—integrative applications. You will be able to maximize career opportunities and take the lead in solving problems that are on the horizon but not yet obvious.

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Our **People**—
we are an active community of collegial and dynamic faculty.

We represent all of the major subfields of anthropology: archaeology, sociocultural, biological, and linguistic.

We have strong interests in integration of the subfields and in interdisciplinary studies.

We have a shared commitment to teaching, scholarship, and engagement.

To learn about our faculty and to see how their interests mesh with yours, visit [anthropology.nd.edu/faculty-and-staff](http://anthropology.nd.edu/faculty-and-staff).
Our **Place**— as a department at the University of Notre Dame, Anthropology is part of a highly ranked and highly selective private research university with excellent facilities and resources for graduate education.

Our program will eventually consist of 25–30 students encompassing all four subfields.

All students will be fully funded with the expectation that they will complete their Ph.D. degree in five to six years.

Student funding includes a stipend, tuition, health insurance supplement, and in most cases summer funding for two years. Funds for travel to conferences and for some research needs are also available through competitive internal programs.

Graduate training will include professionalization and career development, active mentoring in anthropological writing for different audiences, and the opportunity to gain teaching skills as both teaching assistants and primary instructors of their own class.

Students will have access to our department’s particularly robust linkages across the University with programs/departments/centers in peace studies, Latino studies, Africana studies, gender studies, Irish studies, Asian studies, European studies, history and philosophy of science, psychology, biology and environmental studies.

Notre Dame’s foundation in the Catholic tradition encourages ethical community engagement and efforts to improve the human condition.

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Notre Dame’s anthropology doctoral program is committed to the richness and diversity of the discipline by building bridges between various humanistic and scientific approaches. We seek to involve graduate students in integrative anthropology, including engagement with different anthropological and interdisciplinary perspectives, integration of theory and application, and integration of teaching, research, and ethics.

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• Shared commitment in both teaching and scholarship
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Anthropological Archaeology

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**Biological Anthropology**

The Department of Anthropology is home to dynamic anthropologists committed to research and teaching in integrative anthropology. We employ a spectrum of theories and conceptual tools including life history, niche construction, behavioral physiology, cultural correlates of health disparities, evolution and health, alloparenting and models of cooperative breeding, to name but a few. We have a strong commitment to the integration of research, fieldwork, and teaching across anthropology. Our strengths in biocultural topics include parenting, primate behavior, bioarchaeology, human genetics, hormones and behavior, evolutionary medicine, skeletal biology, and human-primate interfaces. Our convivial faculty and excellent research facilities support our contributions to a new and exciting 21st-century biological anthropology.

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Social-Cultural Anthropology

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Linguistic Anthropology

The linguistic dimension of integrative anthropology at Notre Dame emphasizes ethnographic attention to the life of linguistic and non-linguistic signs in society as well as the history of scholarly discourse on language, meaning, mind, culture, and human nature. Faculty research strengths include the politics of language, ritual, personhood, value and morality, truth and deception. Students investigate the pragmatics of linguistic interaction, multilingualism, performance, new media, power and identity. Our focus on language encompassed within systems of symbolic communication is intertwined with socio-cultural anthropology, and connects to biological and material approaches to the study of humans.

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