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In **AU's Anthropology Program**, learn about humankind from a comparative perspective that emphasizes the diversity of human behavior, both past and present, and the importance of culture.



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Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Anthropology, in its broadest sense, is the study of what it means to be human. It helps us to understand human differences and similarities across the world and through time, including

- cultures
- social organization
- languages
- environmental relationships
- physical and genetic diversity

Anthropology at Athabasca University supports a 4-field approach. These include,

- **Archaeology** reconstructs the lives of ancient peoples by documenting and analyzing the material remains left behind.
- **Biological anthropology** focuses on our biological diversity and evolution.
- **Sociocultural anthropology** explores and explains the social and cultural diversity of the present and the recent past.
- **Linguistic anthropology** studies the history, structure and function of language.

Why take the Bachelor of Arts?

The Bachelor of Arts strengthens critical and creative thinking through a broad range of social, political and cultural studies. The program is designed to

- broaden your perspective on local and global affairs
- encourage community and social involvement
- prepare you for lifelong learning and occupational diversity



PROGRAM INFORMATION

ROUTES AND OPTIONS

The Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology is an online degree program, with both a 3-year and a 4-year option. There are no set start dates – you can enrol at any time and register for courses right away. **NOTE: 3-YEAR OPTION NO LONGER AVAILABLE**

Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology concentration (3-year online degree)

- A 3-year degree is a well-respected and marketable credential in Canada and the United States.
- It does not provide direct access to graduate-level studies.
- You can extend your 3-year degree to a 4-year degree at a later date, if you wish.

Bachelor of Arts, Anthropology major (4-year online degree)

- A 4-year degree fully prepares students for most graduate programs.
- The 4-year BA program allows you to pursue either a double major or a minor.
- Double majors must meet the requirements for both majors, which may restrict course selection or require additional credits above the 120 required for the BA.
- To earn a minor you must complete 30 credits in that subject area.

Visiting Students: Single course offerings are also available to students not currently enrolled in a program.

There are no formal admission requirements for either the 3-year or the 4-year program. All you need is to be 16 or older. You can enrol anytime and start right away, regardless of your previous education.

How to apply

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Transfer and advanced credit

If you have previous post-secondary education or significant life and work experience that relates to this program, you may be eligible for transfer credit or Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR). This could mean fewer courses to get your AU degree.

If you transfer credit, you must complete a minimum of 30 credits at AU.

- Learn about transfer and advanced credit at AU visit athabascau.ca/admissions/transfer-credit/

Tuition and Fees

Once you have paid the initial \$115.00 application fee, tuition is pay-as-you-go for each course registration. Course fees vary depending on your location and other factors.

- Learn about tuition and fees visit athabascau.ca/admissions/tuition-fees/

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

Anthropology Undergraduate Courses offered at AU

ANTH 272 - Introduction to Archaeology
ANTH 275 - Faces of Culture: An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
ANTH 277 - The Archaeology of Ancient Peoples
ANTH 278 - Human Evolution and Diversity
ANTH 310 - Primate Behaviour
ANTH 320 - Ancient Cities & Civilizations
ANTH 335 - Ecological Anthropology
ANTH 336 - Evolutionary Anthropology
ANTH 354 - Language and Culture
ANTH 362 - Aboriginal Cultures of North America
ANTH 375 - The Anthropology of Gender
ANTH 377 - Ancient Cultures of North America
ANTH 436 - Primate Cognition
ANTH 378 - Human Sexualities
ANTH 384 - The Family in World Perspective
ANTH 390 - Community-Based Research Methods
ANTH 394 - Urban Anthropology
ANTH 401 - Ethnography, the Writing of Culture
ANTH 402 - Ethnographic Research Methods
ANTH 405 - Special Topics in Archaeology ANTH 406 - Special Topics in Anthropology
ANTH 407 - Examining Cultures-Advanced Readings in Regional Ethnology
ANTH 408 - Method and Theory in Anthropology
ANTH 434 - The History of Anthropological Thought
ANTH 476 - Archaeological Theory
ANTH 491 - Ethnobiology: Traditional Biological Knowledge in Contemporary Global Context
ANTH 499 - Medical Anthropology

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