

Our department is located on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) people

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

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We study humanity from multiple perspectives: from our development as a species to our rich social and cultural diversity.

ABOUT US

Our faculty consists of 30 scholars committed to UBC's vision of inspiring people, ideas, and action for a better world. We are internationally recognized for our research, especially our dedication to collaborative research with Indigenous peoples facing inequality across the world.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

Anthropological Archaeology: Emphasizes hands-on experience, through the direct study of artifacts in classes and labs

Sociocultural Anthropology: Engage with ethnographic methods and expressive cultures. Learn about language, health, law, migration, social inequality, violence, rights, and place.

Museum and Visual Anthropology: Integrate cultural heritage, popular culture, art, and institutions. Work with the iconic Museum of Anthropology (MOA).

WHY ANTHROPOLOGY

Anthropology gives us the framework to better understand our relationships with one another and our communities. Whatever your career path, a degree in anthropology develops the critical thinking abilities needed to succeed, whether in academics or in corporate, non-profit, and government sectors.

MAJOR, MINOR & HONORS

More information about program requirements can be found on the [UBC Academic Calendar](#).

- Major in Anthropology (ANTH)
- Minor in Anthropology (ANTH)
- Minor in Anthropological Archaeology (ARCL)
- Honors in Anthropology (ANTH)





TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

- Research and data collection
- Interviewing and investigation
- Cross-cultural sensitivity and awareness
- Organizing/synthesizing complex information
- Critical thinking and analysis
- Writing and communication
- Community engagement and collaboration

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

- Urban Ethnographic Field School
- Vancouver Island Field School
- Archaeological Field Schools in Anyang, China (a UNESCO World Heritage Site)
- Go Global Seminars: Sardinia & Alaska

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Our undergraduate students are recognized for their outstanding accomplishments with awards and scholarships:

- Julie Cruikshank Award
- Hawthorn Award
- Liu Ling Ping Memorial Scholarship

CAREER PATHS

Anthropologist | Archaeologist | Medical Researcher | Doctor | Lawyer | Journalist
Museum Professional | Teacher
Business Consultant | Personnel Manager
Graphic Designer | Architect | City Planner
Environmental Researcher | Editor
International Aid Worker | Marketing
Researcher ... and more!



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