

# ANTHROPOLOGY, M.A.

## REQUIREMENTS

### MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirements>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

#### Mode of Instruction Definitions

**Accelerated:** Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

**Evening/Weekend:** Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

**Face-to-Face:** Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW–Madison Campus.

**Hybrid:** These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

**Online:** These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

#### Requirement Detail

Minimum Credit Requirement	30 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	16 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	30 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Details can be found in the Graduate School's Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) policy ( <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244</a> ).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	A GPA of 3.5. No less than 3.0 during the first year; must have a 3.5 thereafter.
Other Grade Requirements	Candidates may not have a GPA lower than 3.0 during the first year and must maintain a 3.5 GPA every year thereafter. Candidates may not carry more than 4 credits

of Incomplete at any one time; credits of Incomplete over this limit are counted as grades of F for purposes of the GPA until removed.

Assessments and Examinations	Successful completion of a comprehensive master's exam or a Ph.D. qualifying examination is required.
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Language Requirements	Language study will be required for many students; specifics are determined in consultation with the advisor and co-advisor.
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### REQUIRED COURSES

Students choose from one of four concentrations/pathways (also referred to as "sections") in the department. Students in the Cultural concentration will earn a Master of Arts. Students in the Archaeology, Biological, or Intersectional concentrations will work their advisor and a department committee to determine if the coursework they take meets the requirements for a master of arts or a master of science.

#### Archaeology Concentration Pathway<sup>1</sup>

Student must complete a total of 30 credits of graduate course work, including three seminars (ANTHRO 942 Seminar-Archaeological Problems) in archaeology. Substitutions for the required seminars in archaeology are not normally allowed. (Incoming M.A. students must take at least two seminars as a part of the Ph.D. requirements, and these courses may be taken before or after the qualifying examination.)

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#### Biological Concentration Pathway<sup>1</sup>

Student must complete a total of 30 credits of graduate course work. The following courses are strongly recommended in preparation for the general section of the qualifying examination:

Code	Title	Credits
ANTHRO 303	Human Skeletal Anatomy	4
ANTHRO 601	Proseminar in Biological Anthropology	3
ANTHRO 603	Seminar in Evolutionary Theory	3
GENETICS 466	Principles of Genetics	3

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#### Cultural Concentration Pathway<sup>1</sup>

Minimum 30 credits of graduate course work, 15 credits in cultural anthropology, including ANTHRO 860 and ANTHRO 900, and one additional 900-level seminar (not to include ANTHRO 909 if continuing in Ph.D. program).

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### **Intersectional Concentration Pathway<sup>1</sup>**

There are no specific courses required; students choose courses in consultation with their advisors.

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