

## Research

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The PhD is a research-based degree program that requires the composition and defense of a doctoral dissertation. The research process routinely entails students signing up for a variable number of research hours; however, no hours are explicitly required to meet the 50 hour minimum.

## MASTER'S TRANSITION POLICY

Students who began their degree under quarters will not be penalized as we move to semesters, either in terms of progress towards their degree or their expected date of graduation. The MA program under semester will require students to take 3 free elective hours not required under the quarter system, and these hours *may include* independent study and/or thesis research hours. Current Master's students (n=8) who began in autumn 2011 will not be required to make up the three additional hours with additional coursework or thesis research hours; however, those starting the program in autumn 2012 will be required to meet the new hourly minimum. We anticipate few complications because of (1) the regularity with which all core courses are (and will be) offered, (2) the flexibility afforded by our elective structure (course choices based on sub-discipline or research specialty rather than specific requirements), (3) and because the Master's program does not rely on any course sequence. MA students' course load varies each quarter depending on the student's needs, so students will be able to take the same amount of courses per year under semesters. Currently students take one core course in autumn, one in winter, and two in spring. This will transition nicely to two core courses per semester.

Status: PENDING

**PROGRAM REQUEST**  
Anthropology

Last Updated: Myers,Dena Elizabeth  
05/31/2011

<b>Fiscal Unit/Academic Org</b>	Anthropology - D0711
<b>Administering College/Academic Group</b>	Social And Behavioral Sciences
<b>Co-administering College/Academic Group</b>	
<b>Semester Conversion Designation</b>	Converted with minimal changes to program goals and/or curricular requirements (e.g., sub-plan/specialization name changes, changes in electives and/or prerequisites, minimal changes in overall structure of program, minimal or no changes in program goals or content)
<b>Current Program/Plan Name</b>	Anthropology
<b>Proposed Program/Plan Name</b>	Anthropology
<b>Program/Plan Code Abbreviation</b>	ANTHROP-MA
<b>Current Degree Title</b>	Master of Arts

**Credit Hour Explanation**

Program credit hour requirements		A) Number of credit hours in current program (Quarter credit hours)	B) Calculated result for 2/3rds of current (Semester credit hours)	C) Number of credit hours required for proposed program (Semester credit hours)	D) Change in credit hours
Total minimum credit hours required for completion of program		45	30.0	30	0.0
Required credit hours offered by the unit	Minimum	40	26.7	24	2.7
	Maximum	45	30.0	30	0.0
Required credit hours offered outside of the unit	Minimum	5	3.3	6	2.7
	Maximum	0	0.0	0	0.0
Required prerequisite credit hours not included above	Minimum	0	0.0	0	0.0
	Maximum	0	0.0	0	0.0

**Program Learning Goals**

Note: these are required for all undergraduate degree programs and majors now, and will be required for all graduate and professional degree programs in 2012. Nonetheless, all programs are encouraged to complete these now.

**Program Learning Goals** •

**Assessment**

Assessment plan includes student learning goals, how those goals are evaluated, and how the information collected is used to improve student learning. An assessment plan is required for undergraduate majors and degrees. Graduate and professional degree programs are encouraged to complete this now, but will not be required to do so until 2012.

**Is this a degree program (undergraduate, graduate, or professional) or major proposal?** No

**Program Specializations/Sub-Plans**

If you do not specify a program specialization/sub-plan it will be assumed you are submitting this program for all program specializations/sub-plans.

**Pre-Major**

**Does this Program have a Pre-Major?** No

**Attachments**

- AntMA PROGRAM PROPOSAL (2).doc: Anth MA Program Proposal  
*(Program Proposal. Owner: Freeman,Elizabeth A.)*
- Division Cover Letter for Anthropology.doc: Division Letter  
*(Letter from the College to OAA. Owner: Mumy,Gene Elwood)*

**Comments**

**Workflow Information**

Status	User(s)	Date/Time	Step
Submitted	Freeman,Elizabeth A.	09/17/2010 09:02 AM	Submitted for Approval
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Chairs of Arts and Sciences CCI and CAA

Dear Chairs:

At the undergraduate level the Department of Anthropology has two major programs:

The Bachelor of Arts Anthropology major

The Bachelor of Science Anthropological Sciences major.

In his cover letter, Department Chair Clark Larsen has detailed the careful consideration given by the Department to the semester conversion plans for all programs, especially these two majors and the minimal changes made to the majors in the conversion. These conversion plans were reviewed by me and the Social Sciences Disciplinary Advisory Panel (SS DAP).

Anthropology responded positively to suggestions from SS DAP concerning program goals and other minor changes. As a result SS DAP and I support Anthropology's conversion plans and submit them to you for CCI's consideration.

At the undergraduate level the Department also has two minors:

The Anthropology minor with three tracks; Physical Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology, and Archaeology

The Forensic Science minor

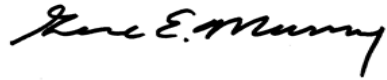
Initially the conversion of the Anthropology minor was presented as the conversion of three minors, one for each track, and this is what is stated in Chairman Larsen's letter. This has subsequently been correctly modified to be the conversion on the Anthropology minor with three sub-plan tracks. Taking account of the fact that the three tracks of the Anthropology minor are part of a single minor, both minors (Anthropology and Forensic Science) have been converted with minimal changes. The SS DAP and I have reviewed both conversion plans and endorse them. As a result we submit them to you for CCI's consideration.

At the graduate level Anthropology offers the Ph.D. and MA. In his letter, Department Chair Larsen describes the considerations and process for converting the programs. In the end both programs were converted with minimal changes.

The approval process for all Ph.D. and MA programs in SBS was that all of them were first examined and discussed for feedback and improvement by the SBS Graduate Committee, which is made up of the graduate directors. When ready for final consideration in the Division they move to the Social Sciences Disciplinary Advisory Panel (SS DAP).

The SS DAP has approved the Anthropology Ph.D. and MA programs after requested minor changes were made. I endorse those approvals and now submit the programs to CAA and the Graduate School for their consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gene E. Mummy". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "G".

Gene E. Mummy  
Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences/Social and Behavioral Sciences

**To: Reviewer**

**From: Clark S. Larsen  
W. Scott McGraw**

**Date: October 12, 2010**

**Subject: Conversion of Master of Arts (MA) in Anthropology from quarters to semesters.**

The Department of Anthropology is pleased to present materials for conversion of its **Master of Arts (MA) in Anthropology** program to the semester-based system. Conversion of this program to semesters will occur with minimal changes to program goals and curricular requirements. The materials we present are part of our department's general conversion package which includes templates for the following programs:

I. Graduate

PhD in Anthropology  
MA in Anthropology

II. Undergraduate bachelor degree programs/major

Anthropology (BA)  
Anthropological Sciences (BS)

III. Undergraduate minor programs

Physical Anthropology  
Cultural Anthropology  
Archaeology  
Forensic Science

Our conversion, as with all major curriculum initiatives and revisions, followed the Department of Anthropology Pattern of Administration guidelines through discussions and deliberations involving all department faculty. In this instance, these discussions and deliberations were pursued by an ad hoc Conversion Committee, discussions with all departmental faculty (main and regional campuses) at faculty meetings, discussions amongst the chairs of the Undergraduate and Graduate Studies committees with the department chair, and solicited input from undergraduate and graduate students. In addition, we sought advice from several anthropology departments at benchmark institutions that had undergone calendar conversion in recent years. We have endeavored to follow all guidelines and believe our documents are in accord with what is required at higher administrative levels. As outlined in the individual program templates, we believe each conversion falls in the category of "conversion with minimal programmatic changes."

With one exception, all courses have been converted from 5 quarter to 3 semester hours. The single exception involves designating ANT 200 (now ANT 2200) *Introduction to Physical Anthropology* as a laboratory course and changing its hours from 5 to 4 hours.

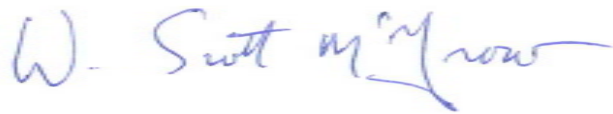
We have renumbered our course offerings in an effort to return consistency and logic to their listing. This renumbering is the result of multiple discussions with faculty and proceeds as follows:

- All 200 level quarter courses are renumbered as 2000 level semester courses.
- All 300, 400 and many 500 level quarter courses are renumbered as 3000 level semester courses.
- A handful of 500 level quarter courses (e.g., 597 capstone courses) are renumbered as 4000 level semester courses.
- All 600 level quarter courses are renumbered as 5000 semester level courses.
- We will have no 6000 level semester courses
- All 700 and some 800 level quarter courses are renumbered as 7000 level semester courses.
- The remainder of our 800 level and all our 900 level quarter courses are renumbered as 8000 level semester courses.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



Clark S. Larsen, chair



W. Scott McGraw  
Conversion coordinator

PROGRAM PROPOSAL: Anthropology Master of Arts

GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

1. Program Name: Anthropology Master's Program
2. Degree Title: Master of Arts
3. Academic Unit: Department of Anthropology
4. Type of Program: Graduate degree program
5. Semester Conversion Designation: b. Conversion to semesters will occur with minimal changes to program goals and curricular requirements.

PROGRAM RATIONAL

All course conversion followed the two thirds conversion guideline. The Master's program was last revised significantly in 2004, and no programmatic changes have been made in conjunction with the switch to semesters. The free elective in section V (below) was added to bring the total hours up to 30 (due to a rounding error, direct conversion from 45 quarter hours yielded a total of 27 semester hours).

SEMESTER COURSES

List of semester courses that constitute the requirements and other components of the program.

**I. Theory core (12 hours)**

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|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1) ANT 7804    | <i>Issues in Archaeological Theory</i>                        | 3 hours |
| 2) ANT 7703    | <i>Theories in Cultural Anthropology</i>                      | 3 hours |
| 3) ANT 8892.01 | <i>Seminars in Physical Anthropology: Evolutionary Theory</i> | 3 hours |
| 4) ANT 7747    | <i>Foundations of Anthropology</i>                            | 3 hours |

**II. Writing for publication (3 hours)**

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|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1) ANT 8827 | <i>Writing and Publishing in Anthropology</i> | 3 hours |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------|

**III. Research methods (3 hours)**

The course used to meet this requirement can be any course (in Anthropology or another department) for which graduate credit is earned and that meets the objective of preparing the student to successfully complete thesis research. This requirement may be waived, on the advisor's recommendation and subject to GSC approval, if the student's previous preparation in research methods is deemed sufficient for successful completion of the



master's thesis.

**IV. Substantive Courses in all three subareas (9 hours)**

Students must complete *one course* from each of the following categories:

Subarea 1 Archaeology (3 hours)

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|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1) ANT 7801 | <i>The Archaeology of Hunter-Gatherer Societies</i> | 3 hours |
| 2) ANT 7802 | <i>The Origins of Food Production</i>               | 3 hours |
| 3) ANT 7803 | <i>The Archaeology of Complex Societies</i>         | 3 hours |

Subarea 2 Cultural Anthropology (3 hours)

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|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1) ANT 5620 | <i>Hunters and Gatherers</i>                                 | 3 hours |
| 2) ANT 5621 | <i>The Anthropology of Women</i>                             | 3 hours |
| 3) ANT 5622 | <i>Peasant Society and Culture</i>                           | 3 hours |
| 4) ANT 5623 | <i>Cultural Ecology</i>                                      | 3 hours |
| 5) ANT 5624 | <i>The Anthropology of Food: Culture, Society and Eating</i> | 3 hours |
| 6) ANT 5625 | <i>Anthropology of Religion</i>                              | 3 hours |
| 7) ANT 5626 | <i>Economic Anthropology</i>                                 | 3 hours |
| 8) ANT 5630 | <i>Language and Culture in Education</i>                     | 3 hours |

Subarea 3 Physical Anthropology (3 hours)

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|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1. ANT 7701 | Advanced Topics in Physical Anthropology:<br>Modern Human Physical Variation | 3 hours |
| 2. ANT 7702 | Advanced Topics in Physical Anthropology:<br>Hominid Paleoanthropology       | 3 hours |

**V. Electives (3+ hours)**

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|-------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1. (Unspecified non-ANT, 5000-8899, or ANT 5000-8899) | 3 hours |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------|

If a student is granted a waiver for a required course, the hours needed for a total of 30 may be taken as electives. Elective courses should be in the student's area of specialization and selected in consultation with the advisor.

Semester Advising Sheet  
Required Coursework Checklist  
Department of Anthropology, OSU  
Master's degree

All students entering the M.A. program must complete the following courses, unless a case can be made for exemption. Students may wish to choose substantive courses and electives that will allow them to meet requirements to teach one or more of the introductory courses typically taught by GTAs.

Course/requirement	Semester completed
<input type="checkbox"/> 7804 (802)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
<input type="checkbox"/> 7703 (702)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
<input type="checkbox"/> 7747 (747)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
<input type="checkbox"/> 8892.01 (820.01)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Writing for Publication <input type="checkbox"/> 8827 (827)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Archaeology elective <input type="checkbox"/> 7801 (801.01) <input type="checkbox"/> 7802 (801.02) <input type="checkbox"/> 7803 (801.03)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Cultural elective <input type="checkbox"/> 562X (620.XX) <input type="checkbox"/> 5630 (630)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Physical elective <input type="checkbox"/> 7701 (701.01) <input type="checkbox"/> 7702 (701.02)	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Elective <input type="checkbox"/> 1. _____	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Research Methods	
Course taken to fulfill requirement: _____	
Requirement waived <input type="checkbox"/> GSC approval letter on file <input type="checkbox"/>	
Minimum of 30 hours completed <input type="checkbox"/>	
<u>Departmental Forms and due dates</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Master's thesis proposal approval (2 wks. prior to faculty evaluation, Y1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Notification of intent to take Master's examination (8 <sup>th</sup> wk. Wi, Y2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Master's thesis draft approval (end of 1 <sup>st</sup> wk. Sp, Y2; 3 weeks prior to exam)	
<u>Graduate school forms and due dates</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Application to graduate (second Friday of graduation quarter)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Master's examination report (2 weeks before commencement)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Thesis approval (1 week before commencement)	

Quarter Advising Sheet  
Required Coursework Checklist  
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Course/requirement	Quarter completed
<input type="checkbox"/> 802	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Wi <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
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<input type="checkbox"/> 703	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Wi <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
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Writing for Publication <input type="checkbox"/> 827	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Wi <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Archaeology elective <input type="checkbox"/> 801.01 <input type="checkbox"/> 801.02 <input type="checkbox"/> 801.03	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Wi <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Cultural elective <input type="checkbox"/> 620. <input type="checkbox"/> 630	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Wi <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Physical elective <input type="checkbox"/> 701.01 <input type="checkbox"/> 701.02	Au <input type="checkbox"/> Wi <input type="checkbox"/> Sp <input type="checkbox"/> Su <input type="checkbox"/> Year 2000
Research Methods	
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Requirement waived <input type="checkbox"/> GSC approval letter on file <input type="checkbox"/>	
Minimum of 45 hours completed <input type="checkbox"/>	
<u>Departmental Forms and due dates</u>	
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