

# ANTHROPOLOGY: BIOLOGICAL, PHD

The emphasis in the Graduate Program is on training candidates for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. This degree certifies that, in addition to having a sound knowledge of anthropology as a whole, the holder has been trained to do independent research at a professional level of competence in at least one of the major sub-disciplines of anthropology: archaeology, cultural anthropology, biological anthropology, or linguistic anthropology.

**For more information:** <http://www.sas.upenn.edu/anthropology/graduate-programs/phd-program> (<http://www.sas.upenn.edu/anthropology/graduate-programs/phd-program/>)

View the University's Academic Rules for PhD Programs (<http://catalog.upenn.edu/pennbook/academic-rules-phd/>).

## Required Courses

Code	Title	Course Units
<b>Core Requirements</b>		<b>5</b>
ANTH 6000	Contemporary Archaeology in Theory	
ANTH 6020	Evolutionary Anthropology	
ANTH 6030	Language in Culture and Society	
ANTH 6010	Contemporary Approaches to the Study of Culture and Society	
ANTH 6550	Methods and Grantwriting for Anthropological Research	
<b>Concentration Requirements</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Total Course Units</b>		<b>18</b>

The total course units for graduation is 18. A minimum of 12 course units must be taken at the University of Pennsylvania

In addition to course requirements, there are language requirements, a written PhD Preliminary Examination ("Comprehensive Exam") and the Final PhD Examination ("Oral Exam") for the PhD.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2024 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.

## Sample Plan of Study

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<b>First Year</b>		
<i>Core Courses</i>		
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<b>Basic Courses in Area of Specialization</b>	
Comprehensive Examination (spring)	
<b>Second Year</b>	
Specialized courses, seminars, tutorials	
Grant writing course	
Teaching Assistant	
Completion of Language Exam (fall or spring)	
<b>Third Year</b>	
Completion of course requirements	
Apply for dissertation research grants	
Oral Examination & submission of Dissertation Proposal	
Teaching Assistant	
<b>Fourth Year</b>	
Dissertation Research	
<b>Fifth Year</b>	
Dissertation Research, Writing, and Submission	
<b>Sixth Year (if necessary)</b>	
Dissertation Writing and Submission	