**Applied Anthropology PROGRAM**

**Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree**

**DEGREE INFORMATION**

**Program Admission Deadlines:**

**Fall:** December 15

*Fall admission only*

**Minimum Total Hours:** 40

**Program Level:** Masters

**CIP Code:** 45.0201

**Dept. Code:** ANT

**Program (Major/College):** APA AS

**Implemented:** 1985

**Concentrations:**

Archaeological and Forensic Science (AAF) (2014)

Bio-cultural Medical Anthropology (BCM) (2006)

Cultural Resource Management (CRM) (2007)

Heritage Studies (HGS) (2008)

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

**College:** Arts and Sciences

**Department:** Anthropology

**Contact Information:** [www.grad.usf.edu](http://www.grad.usf.edu)

**Other Resources:**

<http://anthropology.usf.edu/graduate/>

**PROGRAM INFORMATION**

The M.A. program, initiated in 1974, was the first in the country to focus on career training for the practice of Applied Anthropology. Faculty at USF specialize in various areas, including medical anthropology, biological anthropology, urban policy and community development, education, archaeology, cultural resource management (CRM), economic development, immigration, media, and issues pertaining to race, gender, and ethnicity. Geographic specializations emphasize the Caribbean, Latin America, Sub-Saharan Africa, Europe, and the United States. More than 240 graduates have received an education in anthropology and its practical uses, leading to employment in government and private sector agencies and organizations. For many, the MA is a terminal degree that qualifies them for professional careers in administration, program evaluation, planning, research, and cultural resource management. Others have gone on to earn doctoral degrees and have gained employment in academic or higher level nonacademic positions.

Students entering the Master’s program in Applied Anthropology at USF choose from one of four tracks: Archaeology, Biological Anthropology, Cultural Anthropology, or Medical Anthropology. Although these four tracks share some common requirements, and are bound by general rules of the USF Office of Graduate Studies, they have different curricula and employment trajectories. Archaeology Track graduates typically enter careers in contract archaeology, or public and private agencies and museums responsible for managing archaeological resources. The Cultural Anthropology Track is designed to lead to employment in diverse areas that include education, urban planning, human services, private sector consulting and research, and non-governmental community organizations. Museum and heritage programming represent an area of overlap between the two emphases. Students who wish to pursue these kinds of specialties will develop curricula that draw from both applied and public archaeology requirements in consultation with their advisors. Biological Anthropology students are trained to work in law enforcement, private sector consulting and research, and non-governmental organizations. The Medical Anthropology track prepares students to conduct research, evaluation, and consulting in a variety of settings, including community-based organizations, county and state health departments, and non-governmental organizations. In addition to following the curriculum of a track, M.A. students can select elective courses to fulfill one of four concentrations in Archaeological and Forensic Sciences, Bio cultural Medical Anthropology, Cultural Resource Management, or Heritage Studies.

**Accreditation:**

Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of College and Schools.

**Major Research Areas:**

Human biology; biocultural medical anthropology; nutrition/diet; growth and development; population genetics; forensic anthropology and human rights; neuroanthropology; stress; immune function; maternal and child health; reproductive health; HIV/AIDS; disasters; water and sanitation; migrant health; health policy; sociocultural and historical anthropology; transnational migration; labor; neoliberal globalization; citizenship; media and visual anthropology; environmental anthropology; urban anthropology; pedagogy and educational anthropology; heritage and memory studies; Florida archaeology; Eastern U.S. prehistory; Mesoamerican archaeology; Mediterranean prehistory; archaeological science; bioarcheaology; cultural resource management; public archeology.

**ADMISSION INFORMATION**

Must meet University requirements (see Graduate Admissions) as well as requirements listed below.

**Program Admission Requirements**

Must meet all admissions criteria established by USF. While the GRE is required, there is no minimum score for admission into the program. Other admission requirements include:

* a statement of purpose
* a signed research ethics statement
* at least three letters of recommendation
* a resume or curriculum vitae
* graduate assistant application form (optional)
* writing sample (optional)

**DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

**Total Minimum Hours 40 credit hours**

Core Requirements - 6 hours

Required Track - 24 hours

*Optional Concentrations 9-12 hours*

Internship - 4 hours

Thesis - 6 hours

**CORE REQUIREMENTS - 6 hours**

ANG 6705 3 Foundations of Applied Anthropology I

ANG 5486 3 Quantitative Methods in Anthropology (or equivalent in another department)

**Required Track - 24 hours**

Students select from one of the following Tracks:

***Archaeology Track***

ANG 6198 3 Regional Problems in Methods of Public Archaeology

ANG 6110 3 Archaeological Theory and Current Issues

ANG 6197 3 Public Archaeology

Electives 6 Two electives in Archaeology

Electives 3 One elective in Biological Anthropology

Electives 3 One elective from any graduate seminar in Anthropology

Seminar 3 One graduate seminar outside the Department

***Biological Anthropology Track***

ANG 6701 3 Contemporary Applied Anthropology

ANG 6766 3 Research Methods in Applied Anthropology

ANG 6511 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology Human Variation

ANG 6469 3 Selected Topics in Medical Anthropology **OR**

ANG 6585 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology: Theory and Methods in Applied Bioanthropology

Seminars 9 Three additional graduate seminars in Anthropology

Seminar 3 One graduate seminar outside the Department

***Cultural Anthropology Track***

ANG 6701 3 Contemporary Applied Anthropology

ANG 6766 3 Research Methods in Applied Anthropology

Seminars 15 Five elective graduate seminars in Anthropology

Seminar 3 One graduate seminar outside the Anthropology Department

***Medical Anthropology Track***

ANG 6701 3 Contemporary Applied Anthropology

ANG 6766 3 Research Methods in Applied Anthropology

ANG 6469 3 Theory and Methods in Medical Anthropology

Seminars 12 Four elective graduate seminars in Anthropology

Seminar 3 One graduate seminar outside the Anthropology Department

***Paul D. Coverdell Fellows Program in Applied Anthropology for Returning Peace Corps Volunteers***

Students in the Coverdell Program are required to complete internships related to the program of study in underserved American Communities.

For more information on the Fellows Program: https://www.peacecorps.gov/volunteer/university-programs/coverdell-fellows/

**CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS (Optional)**

Students may select one of the following concentrations:

**Concentration in Archaeological and Forensic Sciences - 12 hours**

Two required courses (3 credits each), consisting of

ANG 6701 3 Contemporary Applied Anthropology

ANG 6115 3 Seminar in Archaeology: Archaeological Science

ANG 6588 3 Forensic Anthropology **OR**

ANG 6511 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology: Forensic Science

Electives 6 Two electives courses (3 credits each; one may be outside Anthropology):

ANG 6145 3 Ancient Diets

ANG 6193 3 Ancient Trade

ANG 6511 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology: Anthrogenetics

ANB 6586 3 Bioarchaeology

ANG 6588 3 Forensic Anthropology

ANG 6515 3 Intro to Forensic Science

ANG 6511 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology: Advanced Methods in Forensic Anthropology

ANG 5520 3 Human Osteology

ANG 6115 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology: Soils

ANG 6115 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology: Technologies for Heritage Preservation

External electives that also qualify (only one can count towards concentration):

Advanced Remote Sensing (GIS 6038C), Remote Sensing Seminar (GIS 6039), Tracer

Geochemistry (GLY 6255), Analytical Techniques in Geology (GLY 6285C), Principles of

Applied Geophysics (GLY 6475), Principles of Stable Isotope Geochemistry (GLY 6739)

**Concentration in Bio-cultural Medical Anthropology - 12 hours**

Four graduate medical anthropology courses with the ANG prefix:

ANG 6469 3 Selected Topics in Medical Anthropology: Theory and Methods in Medical Anthropology

ANG 6511 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology: Theory and Methods of Applied Biological Anthropology

ANG 6511 3 Seminar in Physical Anthropology (e.g. Human Variation, Anthropology of Growth and Development,

or Forensic Anthropology)

Or one of:

ANG 6566 Nutritional Anthropology

ANG 6730 3 Socio-Cultural Aspects of HIV/AIDS

ANG 6469 3 Selected Topics (e.g. Issues in Migrant Health, Anthropology and Development, Reproductive Health, Health & Medical System)

ANG 5937 2-4 Seminar in Anthropology

*Please Note: the Foundations of Medical Anthropology on-line course offered through the School of Sustainability is a service course intended for non-anthropology students and cannot count towards the Applied Anthropology degree.*

**Concentration in Cultural Resource Management - 9 hours**

ANG 6197 3 Public Archaeology

ANG 6115 3 Special Topics in Archaeology: Current Issues and Techniques in Cultural Resources Management

One of the following electives (or other as approved by Graduate Program Director):

ANG 6448 3 Regional Problems in Urban Anthropology: Issues in Heritage Tourism

ANG 6115 3 Topics in Public Archaeology (e.g. Historical Archaeology, Florida Archaeology, Southeastern Archaeology, Museum Methods)

Graduate class in Geographic Information Systems, whether offered in Anthropology or another department.

Graduate students pursuing a concentration in Cultural Resource Management must take the basic course requirements of their graduate program.

**Concentration in Heritage Studies - 9 hours**

ANG 6437 3 Selected Topics in Applied Anthropology: Issues in Heritage Studies

Electives 6 Two electives from among the following options:

ANG 5395 3 Visual Anthropology

ANG 6081 4 Museum Methods

ANG 6197 3 Public Archaeology

ANG 6436 3 Issues in Heritage Tourism

ANG 6448 3 Regional Problems in Urban Anthropology (topics include Ethnohistory, Museums in Culture, Ethnicity and Public Policy, Heritage Research and Management, Culture and Environmental Resources)

ANG 6676 3 Seminar in Anthropological Linguistics (when topic is ‘Language and Culture’ or ‘Language and Racism’)

ANG 7487 3 Quantitative Research Methods

**COMPREHENSIVE EXAM**

The comprehensive exam requirement is satisfied upon successful completion of Foundation of Applied Anthropology (ANG 6705). Successful completion entails earning a final grade of “B” or better in this course.

**INTERNSHIP - 4 hours minimum**

ANG 6915 4 Directed Research in Internship

**THESIS - 6 hours minimum**

ANG 6971 2 Thesis

At least 2 credit hours per semester until thesis is accepted.

**COURSES**

See <http://www.ugs.usf.edu/course-inventory/>