

Introduction to Anthropology

Credits:	3 (3/0/0)
Description:	Meets MnTC Goal Areas 5 and 8. This course is a survey of human nature through time and around the world. It examines the physical nature of our species, archaeology, the study of cultural behavior and linguistic studies.
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Competencies:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Define and distinguish the four sub-disciplines of anthropology. 2. Define the concepts of culture, world view, ethnocentrism, and cultural relativism. 3. Explain the evolution of food gathering from hunting and gathering societies to food producing societies. 4. Contrast different marriage and kinship practices within various cultures. 5. Identify three early representatives of primates in the fossil record. 6. Distinguish between social groups such as bands, tribes, chieftain-led groups, and states. 7. Contrast explanations for the phenomena of culture change. 8. Distinguish between different theoretical and cultural approaches to religious belief. 9. Identify how science works as a learning tool.
MnTC goal areas:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences 8. Global Perspective