ANTHROPOLOGY

What is the study of Anthropology?

Anthropology is a biocultural discipline grounded in a comparative and cross-cultural perspective and concerned with diverse aspects of human life. The narrowest concern of anthropology is the survival of humanity; its broadest is sustaining and appreciating the material conditions and meanings that make life worth living. While broadly educated, individual anthropologists generally specialize in particular approaches, collectively contributing to a rich and holistic view of humanity.

What is unique about Anthropology at the UM?

The University of Manitoba offers undergraduate and graduate training in anthropology’s four sub-disciplines: cultural anthropology, archaeology, physical anthropology, and anthropological linguistics. Anthropologists in the department engage in active field and laboratory work, bringing that experience into the classroom as an integral part of their teaching. Fieldwork sites are diverse and have included sites in: Canada (Manitoba, Arctic, West-Coast, Ontario), Latin America (Peru, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Cuba), the Caribbean, Asia (China, India, Bangladesh, Nepal), Europe, the former Soviet Union, the Middle East (Israel, Turkey), and Africa (West Africa, South Africa). The department also has a few anthropology laboratories, including the Bioanthropology Digital Image Analysis Laboratory and the CT Shay Palaeobotanical Collection, which permit advanced study and research in osteology, archaeology, zooarchaeology, and lithic and botanical analyses.

Program Options

- B.A. Honours Program - 4 years
- B.A. Double Honours Program - 4 years
- B.A. Advanced Major - 4 years
- B.A. Advanced Double Major - 4 years
- B.A. General Major - 3 years
- Minor

Career Opportunities

- Antique Dealer
- Archaeological Field Technician
- Archivist Assistant
- Border Services Officer
- Citizenship and Immigration Agent
- Community Development Officer