MEMORANDUM

TO: John Townshend  
   Dean, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

FROM: Elizabeth Beise  
   Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs

SUBJECT: Proposal to Modify the Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology (PCC log no. 12064)

The proposal to modify the curriculum of the Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology has been administratively approved. A copy of the approved proposal is attached.

The change is effective Fall 2013. Please ensure that the change is fully described in the Undergraduate Catalog and in all relevant descriptive materials, including the program's four-year plan (contact Lisa Kiely at lkiely@umd.edu for more information), and that all advisors are informed.

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Enclosure

cc: William Idsardi, Chair, Senate PCC Committee  
    Sarah Bauder, Office of Student Financial Aid  
    Reka Montfort, University Senate  
    Erin Howard, Division of Information Technology  
    Pam Phillips, Institutional Research, Planning & Assessment  
    Anne Turkos, University Archives  
    Linda Yokoi, Office of the Registrar  
    Robert Gaines, Undergraduate Studies  
    Kathy Beardsley, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences  
    Paul Shackel, Department of Anthropology
The University of Maryland, College Park
Program/Curriculum/Unit Proposal

- Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachment to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.

- Please submit the signed form to the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus.

College/School:
Please also add College/School Unit Code-First 8 digits: 01202800
Unit Codes can be found at: https://hypprod.umd.edu/Html_Reports/units.htm

Department/Program:
Please also add Department/Program Unit Code-Last 7 digits: 1280501

Type of Action (choose one):

- Curriculum change (including informal specializations)
- New academic degree/award program
- Renaming of program or formal Area of Concentration
- New Professional Studies award iteration
- Addition/deletion of formal Area of Concentration
- New Minor
- Suspend/delete program
- Other

Italics indicate that the proposed program action must be presented to the full University Senate for consideration.

Summary of Proposed Action:

Two new courses—ANTH222: Introduction to Ecological and Evolutionary Anthropology and ANTH322: Method & Theory in Ecological Anthropology are to be added to the Anthropology degree requirements as options to replace ANTH220: Introduction to Biological Anthropology and ANTH320: Method and Theory in Biological Anthropology respectively.

Approval Signatures - Please print name, sign, and date. Use additional lines for multi-unit programs.

1. Department Committee Chair

2. Department Chair

3. College/School PCC Chair

4. Dean

5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required)

6. Chair, Senate PCC

7. University Senate Chair (if required)

8. Senior Vice President and Provost

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RATIONALE FOR ADDING ANTH222 AND ANTH322 TO REPLACE ANTH220 AND ANTH320

Due to recent faculty retirements and new hires the expertise of the Anthropology department has shifted. ANTH222: Introduction to Ecological and Evolutionary Anthropology and ANTH322: Method and Theory in Ecological Anthropology more closely match the expertise and interests of current tenure-track faculty. These new courses will better prepare students to take upper-level offerings in the Anthropology department. They will better complement the increasing ecological emphases in departments across the University. They will better prepare students to understand the pressing ecological issues that will confront them personally and professionally upon graduation.

IMPACTS OF CURRICULUM CHANGE ON OTHER DEPARTMENTS

There will be no adverse impacts on other departments. ANTH222 will offer the same number of General Education Natural Science Lab seats as ANTH220 did. ANTH220 is not a requirement for any other department. Like ANTH 320, ANTH322 will be limited to Anthropology majors. There are possible positive impacts on other departments. ANTH222, with its new ecological emphasis may provide seats for ENST, ENSP, and the Sustainability Studies minor.

IMPACTS ON ANTHROPOLOGY STUDENTS

ANTH220 and ANTH320 will continue to count toward the Anthropology BA requirements. ANTH222 will be offered every Fall and Spring Term (as was ANTH220). ANTH322 will be offered every Fall (as was ANTH320). There should be no adverse impacts on current or incoming Anthropology majors.

NEW COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ANTH222 Introduction to Ecological and Evolutionary Anthropology

An introduction to the evolution of human physiology and human behavior, the relationship between hominid and non-hominid primates, and the study of relationships between a population of humans and their biophysical environment.

ANTH322 Method and Theory in Ecological Anthropology

A theoretical consideration of ecological anthropology, focusing on issues related to cooperation, the management of common property, resilience, and sustainability. Explores the methods of sociocultural anthropology, including ethnology, evolutionary game theory and agent-based modeling, and natural-science approaches including behavioral and systems ecology.
Students can enter the beginning of their junior year with only General requirements and still comfortably complete the degree.

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Supporting Course #6

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Supporting Course #5

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Supporting Course #4

Anth Elective #4 (UL)

Spring (Senior Year)

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Anth Elective #3

Fall (Senior Year)

Supporting Course #3

Anth Elective #3 (UL)

Anth Elective #3 (UL)

Applied Field Methods

Supporting Course #2

Anth Elective #2

Anth Elective #1

Anth Elective #1

Spring (Junior Year)

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3 MATH 1111 or equivalent

3 ENGL 1002, Spring, Fall, Fall

3 Offered every Fall and Spring, satisfies H/SS UAP General Requirements

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4 Offered every Fall and Spring, satisfies NS Lab, UAP General Requirements

Credits

Sample BA Anthropology Graduate Plan