

Program Change Request

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Changes proposed by: Petra Jelinek

Catalog Pages Using
this Program Anthropology: Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology, BALAS

Proposal Type:
Concentration (ex. Dietetics)

This proposal is for
a:

Revision

In Workflow

1. U Program Review
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Approval Path

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Donna Butler
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2. 12/16/24 1:46 pm
Melissa Steinkoenig
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History

1. Feb 6, 2019 by Deb
Forgacs (dforgacs)
2. Jun 10, 2019 by Deb
Forgacs (dforgacs)

Administration Details

Official Program	Anthropology: Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology,
Name	BALAS

Diploma Title

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Sponsor Anthropology

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If additional stakeholders other than the Sponsor and College Contacts listed above should be contacted if questions during the review process arise, please list them here.

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Does this program have inter-departmental administration?

No

Effective Catalog Term

Effective Catalog Term Fall 2025

Effective Catalog 2025-2026

Proposal Title

Proposal Title (either Establish/Revise/Eliminate the Degree Name in Program Name in the College of XXXX, i.e., Establish the Bachelor of Science in Entomology in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, include the Graduate College for Grad Programs)

Revise the Concentration in Sociocultural and Linguistic Anthropology in the Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts and Sciences in Anthropology in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Does this proposal have any related proposals that will also be revised at this time and the programs depend on each other? Consider Majors, Minors, Concentrations & Joint Programs in your department. Please know that this information is used administratively to move related proposals through workflow efficiently and together as needed. Format your response like the following "This BS proposal (key 567) is related to the Concentration A proposal (key 145)"

This concentration Anthropology: Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology, BALAS (key 566), is related to Anthropology, BALAS (key 259), the concentration Anthropology: Archaeology, BALAS (key 564), and the concentration Anthropology: Biological Anthropology, BALAS (key 565).

Program Justification

Provide a brief description, using a numbered item list, of the proposed changes to the program.

1. Revised the Program of Study table to include graduation requirements, university requirements, and the general education requirements plus summary general education table.
2. Added the college orientation and professional development course options.
3. Added the heading "Major Core Requirements and Electives".
4. Under the Anthropology Core Courses requirement, students now required to complete both ANTH 230 and ANTH 270 (3 hours each), and the remaining core course can be chosen from a list of four courses for a total of 9 hours of core course material.
5. Removed course ANTH 271 under the Anthropology Core Courses requirement.
6. Category heading changed from Socio-cultural and Linguistic Anthropology Courses to Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology Courses.
7. The information from the 9 hours of additional socio-cultural and linguistics courses was changed to the new concentration name Sociocultural & Linguistics and upper division courses specified. The requirement is now for 9 hours of "Additional 300-/400-upper division Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology courses or courses in related fields that complement the student's Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology focus.
8. Under the Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology Courses category, introduced subheading category titles (Regions of the World List 1, Regions of the World List 2, and Theoretical or Topical Areas), added clarifying language in category titles in terms of number of courses required in each, and listed/added specific courses under each. Three additional sociocultural and linguistics anthropology courses or courses in related fields (9 hours) are chosen in consultation with the department advisor. The number of credit hours in these two sections (30) has not changed.
9. Removed Research Methods in Linguistic Anthropology - ANTH 499 from the Research and Service Learning Coursework.
10. Course ANTH 471 was added as a choice under the Research and Service-Learning Coursework category (3 credit hours).

Did the program content change 25% or more in relation to the total credit hours, since the most recent university accreditation visit? See the italicized text below for more details.

No

Provide the reasoning for why each change was necessary, using a corresponding numbered item list as it relates to the brief description numbered list above.

1. To abide by campus requirements and the campus general education template to improve transparency and accessibility.
2. To abide by campus requirements.
3. To better organize the Program of Study and highlight the major core requirements and electives.
4. Core courses were added as required instead of optional to provide foundational information for students in this sub-discipline. ANTH 230 (Sociocultural Anthropology) offers an in-depth introduction to sociocultural anthropology, and ANTH 270 (Language in Culture) focuses on linguistic anthropology.
5. ANTH 271 was deactivated effective Spring 2021.
6. Changed category heading title to match the program title.
7. The total of 9 hours remains the same, but the concentration title changed, and the related fields was simplified to “related fields that complement”. The addition of 300-/400- level courses was to meet the 40 hours of advanced coursework for the degree.
8. Subheading category titles were identified, clarifying requirement language added, and courses listed under each were identified for clarity and ease of choosing approved courses.

Regions of the World List 1 (1 course) - ANTH 106, ANTH 108, ANTH 112, ANTH 160, ANTH 165, and ANTH 182.

Regions of the World List 2 (2 courses) - ANTH 221, ANTH 259, ANTH 261, ANTH 262, ANTH 263, ANTH 268, ANTH 272, ANTH 285, ANTH 287, ANTH 288.

Theoretical or Topical Areas (4 courses) - ANTH 350, ANTH 351, ANTH 352, ANTH 353, ANTH 363, ANTH 364, ANTH 372, ANTH 374, ANTH 375, ANTH 379, ANTH 402, ANTH 403, and ANTH 405.

These three areas add up to 21 credit hours, the same as previously.

9. The Topics in Anthropology course, ANTH 499, has not yet been developed for these revisions.

10. The additional Research and Service-Learning course that was added (ANTH 471) will provide greater flexibility for students completing this concentration.

The decision for revisions was made after a meeting of the Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department Head and Undergraduate Advisor in the Anthropology Department. The revisions provide students more flexibility with additional course offerings that satisfy the degree requirements.

Instructional Resources

Will there be any reduction in other course offerings, programs or concentrations by your department as a result of this new program/proposed change?

No

Does this new program/proposed change result in the replacement of another program?

No

Does the program include other courses/subjects outside of the sponsoring department impacted by the creation/revision of this program? If Yes is selected, indicate the appropriate courses and attach the letter of support/acknowledgement.

Yes

Courses outside of the sponsoring department/interdisciplinary departments:

REL 108 - Religion & Society in West I

TURK 270 - Language and Culture in Turkey

EALC 285 - Intro to Korea Through Film

EALC 288 - Contemporary East Asia

REL 403 - Women in Muslim Societies

AFRO 261 - Intro to the African Diaspora

Please attach any letters of support/acknowledgement for any Instructional Resources.

[LetterofSupport_REL403.docx](#)

[LetterofSupport_REL108.docx](#)

[LetterofSupport_TURK270.pdf](#)

[LetterofSupport_EALC.pdf](#)

[LetterofSupport_ANTH 261 AFRO261.docx](#)

Consider faculty, students, and/or other impacted units as appropriate.

Program Features

Academic Level

Undergraduate

Is this program part of an ISBE approved licensure program?

No

Will specialized accreditation be sought for this program?

No

Additional concentration notes (e.g., estimated enrollment, advising plans, etc.)

Does this program prepare graduates for entry into a career or profession that is regulated by the State of Illinois?

No

Program of Study

Provide detailed information (course rubrics, numbers, and credit hours) of how a student could obtain 40 credit hours of upper-division coursework.

40 hours of upper-division coursework can be achieved by the following:

12 credit hours of 300-400 level courses selected from 'Theoretical or Topical Areas': ANTH 350, ANTH 351, ANTH 352, ANTH 353, ANTH 363, ANTH 364, ANTH 372, ANTH 374, ANTH 375, ANTH 379, ANTH 402/ASST 402/REL 409, ANTH 403/GLBL 403/GWS 403/ HIST 434/REL 403/ SAME 403, and ANTH 405.

9 additional upper-division credit hours in anthropology or closely related disciplines.

3 hours of research or service-learning course in anthropology: ANTH 411 (3-4 credit hours) or ANTH 471 (3-4 credit hours)

3-6 hours in either:

- Senior Capstone ANTH 498 (3 credit hours)
- Senior Honor's Thesis ANTH 494 (2-4 credit hours) and ANTH 495 (2-4 credit hours)
- Study Abroad ANTH 390 (2-4 credit hours), or
- Internship ANTH 390 (2-4 credit hours)

Up to 13 additional credit hours of upper division free electives need to reach 40 hours minimum are selected in consultation with the academic advisor.

Revised programs

[Side by Side Comparative Table of Proposed Changes Anthropology_SCL, BALAS_02_26_25.xlsx](#)

Catalog Page Text - Overview Tab

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A Major Plan of Study Form must be completed and submitted to the LAS Student Affairs Office before the end of the fifth semester (60-75 hours). Please see your adviser.

Departmental distinction: The department may award distinction, high distinction, or highest distinction to any Anthropology major whose overall and major grade point averages are 3.25 or higher; and who successfully completes 33 hours of anthropology courses, including 4-6 hours of ANTH 494 and ANTH 495 resulting in an Honors Thesis. The level of distinction is based on evaluation of the honors thesis. See the departmental academic advisor for details. All students must discuss their selection of anthropology courses and supporting course work with a departmental adviser.

Is the overview text above correct?

Yes

Statement for
Programs of Study
Catalog

Graduation Requirements

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

~~General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education requirements including the campus general education language requirement.~~ Minimum hours required major and supporting course work: 45-48. ~~work:~~ Twelve hours of 300- and 400-level Anthropology courses must be taken on this campus.

University Requirements

Minimum of 40 hours of upper-division coursework, generally at the 300- or 400-level. These hours can be drawn from all elements of the degree. Students should consult their academic advisor for additional guidance in fulfilling this requirement.

The university and residency requirements can be found in the Student Code (§ 3-801) and in the Academic Catalog.

General Education Requirements

Follows the campus General Education (Gen Ed) requirements. Some Gen Ed requirements may be met by courses required and/or electives in the program.

<u>Composition I</u>	<u>4-6</u>
<u>Advanced Composition</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>fulfilled by ANTH 270</u>	
<u>Humanities & the Arts (6 hours)</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>Natural Sciences & Technology (6 hours)</u>	<u>6</u>

<u>Social & Behavioral Sciences (6 hours)</u>		<u>6</u>
<u>fulfilled by ANTH 270 and any other course approved as Social & Behavioral Sciences</u>		
<u>Cultural Studies: Non-Western Cultures (1 course)</u>		<u>3</u>
<u>Cultural Studies: US Minority Cultures (1 course)</u>		<u>3</u>
<u>Cultural Studies: Western/Comparative Cultures (1 course)</u>		<u>3</u>
<u>Quantitative Reasoning (2 courses, at least one course must be Quantitative Reasoning I)</u>		<u>6-10</u>
<u>Language Requirement (Completion of the fourth semester or equivalent of a language other than English is required)</u>		<u>0-20</u>
<u>Orientation and Professional Development</u>		
<u>LAS 101</u>	<u>Design Your First Year Experience</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>OR</u>		
<u>LAS 100</u> <u>& LAS 101</u>	<u>Success in LAS for International Students</u> <u>and Design Your First Year Experience</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>OR</u>		
<u>LAS 102</u>	<u>Transfer Advantage</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Total Hours</u>		<u>1 or 3</u>

Major Core Requirements and Electives

When a course is listed under two or more categories, the student may decide which of the requirements the course should fulfill; however, it may not be used to fulfill more than one of those requirements.

Anthropology Core Courses

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The following 2 courses are required:

~~Research Methods in Cultural Anthropology— ANTH 411 Methods of Cultural Anth~~

~~Research Methods in Linguistic Anthropology— ANTH 499~~

ANTH 230 Sociocultural Anthropology

ANTH 270 Language in Culture

Choose 1 additional core course from the 4 options listed below:

ANTH 102 Human Origins and Culture

ANTH 105 World Archaeology

ANTH 220 Introduction to Archaeology

ANTH 240 Biological Anthropology

Sociocultural & Linguistic Anthropology Courses

~~7 courses selected from the list maintained in the advisor's office. Students select 3 courses from locations across at least 2 regions of the world and 4 courses from theoretical or topical areas course offerings in socio-cultural and linguistic anthropology chosen in consultation with the departmental advisor. Four courses must be at the 300- or 400-level.~~ ~~21~~

~~Additional socio-cultural and linguistics anthropology courses or courses in related fields such as Sociology, Linguistics, Psychology, Education, History, Gender and Women's Studies, African American Studies, Latina/Latino Studies, Asian American Studies, African Studies, Jewish Studies that complement the student's sociocultural/linguistic focus. Meet with the departmental advisor to discuss the selection of courses.~~ ~~9~~

Regions of the World List 1 (select 1 course): 3

<u>ANTH/AFRO 106</u>	<u>Hist Arch Americas</u>
<u>ANTH/JS/PHIL/REL 108</u>	<u>Religion & Society in West I</u>
<u>ANTH 112</u>	<u>Language, Race, and Ethnicity in the United States</u>
<u>ANTH 160</u>	<u>Race and Contemporary Social Issues</u>
<u>ANTH/AIS 165</u>	<u>Lang & Culture Native North Am</u>
<u>ANTH 182</u>	<u>Latin American Cultures</u>

Regions of the World List 2 (select 2 courses): 6

<u>ANTH 221</u>	<u>Archaeology of South Asia</u>
<u>ANTH/LLS 259</u>	<u>Latina/o Anthropology</u>
<u>ANTH/AFRO 261</u>	<u>Intro to the African Diaspora</u>
<u>ANTH/GWS 262</u>	<u>Women's Lives</u>
<u>ANTH 263</u>	<u>Body, Personhood, and Culture</u>
<u>ANTH 268</u>	<u>Images of the Other</u>
<u>ANTH/GLBL/SAME 272/TURK 270</u>	<u>Language and Culture in Turkey</u>
<u>ANTH/EALC 285</u>	<u>Intro to Korea Through Film</u>
<u>ANTH 287/EALC 288</u>	<u>Contemporary East Asia</u>
<u>ANTH/AIS/HIST 288</u>	<u>American Indians of Illinois</u>

Theoretical or Topical Areas (select 4 courses): 12

<u>ANTH 350</u>	<u>Cultures of Law</u>	
<u>ANTH 351</u>	<u>Language and Race</u>	
<u>ANTH 352</u>	<u>Language and Gender</u>	
<u>ANTH 353</u>	<u>Language and Humor</u>	
<u>ANTH 363</u>	<u>Anth of Dance/Movement</u>	
<u>ANTH 364</u>	<u>Performing 'America'</u>	
<u>ANTH 372</u>	<u>Topics in Lang & Culture</u>	
<u>ANTH 374</u>	<u>Anth of Science and Technology</u>	
<u>ANTH 375</u>	<u>The Culture of Nature</u>	
<u>ANTH 379</u>	<u>Medical Anthropology</u>	
<u>ANTH/ASST 402/ REL 409</u>	<u>Transnational Islam, Europe-US</u>	
<u>ANTH/REL/GWS/ GLBL/SAME 403/ HIST 434</u>	<u>Women in Muslim Societies</u>	
<u>ANTH 405</u>	<u>Contemporary Central America</u>	
<u>Additional 300-/400-upper division Sociocultural & Linguistics Anthropology courses or courses in related fields that complement the student's sociocultural/linguistic focus. Meet with the departmental advisor to discuss the selection of courses.</u>		<u>9</u>
Research and Service-Learning Coursework (choose one)		3
<u>ANTH 411</u>	<u>Research Methods in Socio-Cultural Anthropology</u>	
<u>ANTH 471</u>	<u>Ethnography through Language</u>	
Senior Capstone Project		3-6
Choose one option below (Honors Thesis, Senior Capstone Seminar, Internship, or Study Abroad) in consultation with and approval of the departmental advisor:		
Honors Thesis - 6 hours. Two consecutive semesters of research resulting in a written thesis.		
<u>ANTH 494</u>	Honors Senior Thesis I	
<u>ANTH 495</u>	Honors Senior Thesis II	
Senior Capstone Seminar (Independent Research) - 3 hours		
<u>ANTH 498</u>	Senior Capstone Seminar	
Internship - 3 hours. A portfolio and report associated with an approved departmental internship.		

Study Abroad - 3 hours. A portfolio and report associated with an approved Study Abroad experience.

Minimum Concentration Hours

45

~~Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hour~~

Program Relationships

Corresponding

Program(s):

Corresponding Program(s)

Anthropology, BALAS

Program Regulation and Assessment

Plan to Assess and Improve Student Learning

Illinois Administrative Code: 1050.30(b)(1)(D) Provision is made for guidance and counseling of students, evaluations of student performance, continuous monitoring of progress of students toward their degree objectives and appropriate academic record keeping.

Are the learning outcomes for the program listed in the Academic Catalog?

No

Student Learning Outcomes

Students who graduate with a BALAS degree in Anthropology will have:

- A broad knowledge of cultural, social, linguistic, archaeological, and biological facets of the human condition and the methods anthropologists use to study them.
- An understanding of the ethical and social dimensions of anthropological research and their impacts on society.
- The ability to conduct independent research through data collection, critical analysis, synthesis, and written presentation of findings.

Students who graduate with a concentration in sociocultural and linguistic anthropology will have:

- Knowledge of the theories and methods for understanding cultural and linguistic variation in human societies, and how power and politics contribute to understandings of self and society.
- An understanding of the ways of thinking about the world that demonstrate the diversity and the inter-connectedness of local, regional, and global processes.

Describe how, when, and where these learning outcomes will be assessed.

Describe here:

Identify faculty expectations for students' achievement of each of the stated student learning outcomes. What score, rating, or level of expertise will signify that students have met each outcome? Provide rating rubrics as necessary.

Explain the process that will be implemented to ensure that assessment results are used to improve student learning.

Program

Description and

Requirements

Attach Documents

Delivery Method

This program is
available:

On Campus - Students are required to be on campus, they may take some online courses.

Enrollment

Describe how this revision or phase down/elimination will impact enrollment and degrees awarded. If this is an elimination/phase down proposal include the plans for the students left in the program.

We anticipate that the revision will not have an impact on enrollment and degrees awarded.

Budget

Are there No
budgetary
implications for this
revision?

Will the program or revision require staffing (faculty, advisors, etc.) beyond what is currently available?

No

Additional Budget
Information

Attach File(s)

Financial Resources

How does the unit intend to financially support this proposal?

No impact to unit.

Will the unit need to seek campus or other external resources?

No

Attach letters of
support

Faculty Resources

Please address the impact on faculty resources including any changes in numbers of faculty, class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratios, etc.

No impact to unit.

Library Resources

Describe your proposal's impact on the University Library's resources, collections, and services. If necessary please consult with the appropriate disciplinary specialist within the University Library.

We talked to the subject librarian for this discipline (Jessica Hagman). There are already resources/collection development processes in place that support this program. Current collections and services are adequate for the proposed program.

EP Documentation

EP Control Number EP.25.074

Attach Rollback/
Approval Notices

Non-EP Documentation

U Program Review
Comments

Rollback
Documentation and
Attachment

DMI Documentation

Attach Final
Approval Notices

Banner/Codebook
Name
Sociocultural and Linguistic Anthropology

Program Code: 5043

Minor	Conc	5043	Degree	BALAS
Code	Code		Code	Major
				Code

Senate Approval
Date

Senate Conference
Approval Date

BOT Approval Date

IBHE Approval Date

HLC Approval Date

DOE Approval Date

Effective Date:

Program Reviewer

Comments

Deb Forgacs (dforgacs) (01/06/22 3:59 pm): Rollback: requested.

Brooke Newell (bsnewell) (06/08/23 2:55 pm): Rollback: Requested revisions to the Justification and Program of Study sections. Detailed email sent to Ripan, Brenda, Stephen, and Andrea.

Brooke Newell (bsnewell) (05/02/24 10:37 am): Rollback: Email sent to Petra, Stephen and Brenda

Melissa Steinkoenig (menewell) (12/16/24 1:45 pm): Gen Ed Table Check: Good

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