



MISSION STATEMENT & STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES for Anthropology

Review Year:

2026

Division:

Arts & Humanities

Discipline/Program/Department:

Anthropology

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Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Anthropology Program at Southwestern Illinois College to provide students with the opportunity to develop an understanding of the macro-level cultural, social and historical forces which shape human social structure and interaction in all times and places, helping them develop a broader and deeper understanding of human social behavior and organization. The Anthropology department is committed to the utilization of instructional techniques that encourage the lifelong development and measurement of a variety of student skills as a key part of this mission.

Program/Discipline Curriculum Map

I = Introduce: Student is first exposed to the concept/idea and is requested to apply the concept in a limited scope.

E = Emphasize: Student applies concept(s) in varying/multiple situations of greater complexity than when initially introduced.

R = Reinforce: Student may be expected to understand the concept upon taking the course and utilizes the concept in conjunction with other concepts/ideas to solve problems.

PROGRAM/DISCIPLINE OUTCOMES

COURSE PREFIX AND NUMBER

Graduates of this program/discipline shall be able to:

	ANTH 150	ANTH 160	ANTH 210	ANTH 250	ANTH 299	
Analyze how differences in culture, environment, history and communication produce different lived human experiences and beliefs.	I	IE	R	IE	R	
Apply scientific principles to reconstruct and/or analyze human behavior, identity and social organization.	I	IE	R	IE	R	
Evaluate how theoretical perspectives, ethical considerations and biases lead to different understandings of human behavior.	I	IE	R	IE	R	
Define key concepts in anthropology and apply those concepts to explain differences in human behavior.	IE	IE	E	IE	R	
Demonstrate effective use of academic sources and/or primary data to construct well-supported arguments in written work or oral presentation.	E	E	E	E	R	

Map Comments:

Core Competency Map

CORE COMPETENCIES

COURSE PREFIX AND NUMBER

Communication Skills	ANTH 150	ANTH 160	ANTH 210	ANTH 250	ANTH 299	
1. Computer Literacy						
2. Oral Communications						
3. Writing						
Reasoning Skills						
4. Critical Thinking	X	X	X	X	X	X
5. Quantitative Literacy						
Citizenship						
6. Personal Accountability						
7. Civic And Social Accountability	X	X	X	X	X	X