Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Anthropology, the holistic, comparative study of human diversity, consists of four subfields: archaeology, biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, and linguistic anthropology. The BA/BS degrees develop student knowledge of these four subfields, their theories, methods, applications, and relevance to understanding global human diversity with an emphasis on the cultures, people, and social issues of Alaska and the Circumpolar North.

Students graduating with a baccalaureate degree in anthropology should be able to:

1. Demonstrate a familiarity with the development of anthropological thought and the contemporary concepts, theories, and application of the four subfields.
2. Use anthropological perspectives to describe the past and present cultural diversity of Alaska and analyze contemporary social topics in the Circumpolar North.
3. Identify ethical principles that guide anthropological practice and ethical issues encountered in anthropological research.
4. Exhibit proficiency in documenting, evaluating, and communicating anthropological information.
5. Explain how to apply anthropological methods and techniques to research questions and practical social problems.