Anthropology (APY) BA vs. BS

COURSE PLAN

BA Degree:

- 5 core classes (16 credits) in APY (includes 4 subfield courses + 1 capstone)
- 6 APY electives (18 credits)
- Statistics (STA2023)
- Minimum 2.5 GPA in all APY coursework

Proposed BS Degree:

- 5 core classes (16 credits) in APY (includes 4 subfield courses + 1 capstone)
- 6 APY electives (18 credits) 15 credits must focus on approved coursework in anthropological science
- Statistics (STA2023)
- Minimum 2.5 GPA in all APY coursework and for all 'Required Science Foundation' and 'Related Science Core' coursework
- 'Required Science Foundation' coursework (including labs) in 3 of 4 areas (20-24 credits): (1) BSC2010/2011 (2) CHM2045/2046 (3) PHY2048/2049 or PHY2053/2054; and (4) MAC2311 or STA3024
- 'Related Science Core' coursework includes 6-8 credits of 'approved' interdisciplinary coursework

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Administrating New Degree Program

Administration of new degree program will proceed with same structure as the Anthropology BA degree with respect to:

- Course Offerings
- Undergraduate Enrollment
- Undergraduate Advising

Requirements for BA/BS Degrees:

- 120 total credits
- 34 credits in APY (5 'core' + 6 'electives')
- Statistics (STA2023)

GPA Requirements:

- Minimum 2.5 GPA in all APY coursework
- Minimum 2.5 GPA is also required for Non-APY 'Required Science Foundation' coursework and 'Related Science Core' coursework for students choosing BS degree option

Additional Budget:

 No additional costs are required for the implementation of this new degree program (e.g., faculty and/or resources)

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Broader Impacts

BA Degree:

- A holistic-based approach to human diversity and critical thinking.
- International and comparative focus includes ethnographic studies and observation of people cross-culturally and historically.
- Prepare students for post-graduate careers and opportunities in a diversity of fields
- Student skillsets include knowledge of increasingly diverse and multicultural systems in globalized context. Job opportunities vary widely, depending upon student interests

Proposed BS Degree:

- Emphasis on interdisciplinary approach and scientific method.
- STEM-based 'Required Foundation Coursework' complements APY coursework and facilitates scientific literacy and critical thinking skills
- Interdisciplinary 'Related Science Core' offers increased knowledge/application of advanced analytical techniques in biological and archaeological anthropology, forensic anthropology, biocultural approaches to healthcare,
- Increased job opportunities and marketability for students with interests in Healthcare/Medicine, Business, Industry, Government, Education, etc.
- Students are better-prepared global citizens to pursue interdisciplinary careers outside of anthropology (e.g., law, medicine)

AAU Peer Institutions with Anthropology BS:

- Penn State University
- The Ohio State University
- University of Michigan

Proposed BS would be the first such program in the Florida SUS