

The criteria for inclusion in the social sciences general education menu as outlined by the UGEC are:

1. Disciplines
  - a. Courses in the menu may come from one of ten disciplines including anthropology.
2. Definitions
  - a. "A course in the social sciences should involve the study of human functioning at the level of the individual, small group, institution, organization, community, or larger population."
  - b. ANTH 101 addresses human functioning at the institutional and societal level. As a broad overview of the discipline of anthropology ANTH 101 involves the study of the interactions within and between various social institutions, communities, and individuals within those structures.
3. Course Content
  - a. ANTH 101 seeks to introduce students to the four fields of anthropology including archaeology, linguistics, cultural and physical anthropology.

The UGEC criteria for inclusion in the cultural awareness menu includes the ability to reflect on one's own cultural rules and biases. ANTH 101 seeks to help students uncover those through the study of cultural anthropology and getting to know how cultures vary and are similar throughout the world. The criteria ask that courses allow students to consider experiences and issues from the perspectives of other with differing world views and ANTH 101 does this by utilizing the lens of the "global village" and gaining an understanding of "tribal loyalties."

| UGEC Cultural Awareness Criteria                                                                           | ANTH 101                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| 1. [Ability to] reflect on own cultural rules and biases                                                   | In week 2 ANTH 101 specifically asks what is culture? Later in the semester students are asked to learn about and understand how their own social location has influenced their views on religion, race and ethnicity, gender, and other global issues.                                                                         |
| 2. [Ability to] consider experiences and issues from the perspectives of others with differing world views | By using the four fields method, ANTH 101 helps students use multiple lenses to understand varying aspects of culture. In each topic discussed students will be asked to think about how their own culture influences how they understand and relate to the topic and how people from other cultures might respond differently. |
| 3. [Ability to] articulate understanding of cultural differences in verbal and nonverbal communication     | One of the four fields of Anthropology covered in ANTH 101 is linguistics. One week is devoted entirely to language and communication but the discussion is not limited to that week. Communication, both                                                                                                                       |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                         | verbal and nonverbal, is a part of almost all topics covered.                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4. [Ability to] ask complex questions about the beliefs, values, and practices of other cultures and articulate answers to those questions that reflect flexible cultural understanding | We discuss tough topics, such as the world system and colonialism, religion, ethnicity and race, and other global issues that require students to step outside of their comfort zone and take the role of the other. |
| 5. [Ability to] Initiate and develop interactions with individuals from cultures that differ from that of the student                                                                   | Through this course students will gain skills and knowledge that would allow them to approach other cultures with less ethnocentrism and a more open mind and appreciation for the culture.                          |