

PROGRAMS AVAILABLE: Bachelor of Arts | Master of Arts | Graduate Certificate | Minor

Learn to appreciate biological and cultural diversity and to interact in culturally diverse global and local contexts.

If you are interested in social and cultural aspects of health and health care, then Creighton's medical anthropology program might be the perfect choice for you. As a medical anthropology student, you'll learn about the factors that influence health and well-being, the experience and distribution of illness, the prevention and treatment of sickness, healing processes, therapy management and the influence of multiple medical systems on the health of individuals and populations. Grounded in robust research and convincing analysis, this knowledge is vital to developing, assessing and improving health care policies, programs and services.

If you've always been curious about the cultural aspects of medicine and want to learn the skills it takes to analyze healthcare locally, nationally and internationally, then consider studying medical anthropology at Creighton.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

- Analyze cultural aspects of society, including health and sickness, economic structures, religion and environmental concerns
- Work with local communities and groups to promote cultural awareness and well-being
- Engage in research with highly published faculty who are engaged with communities and dedicated to student learning

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Medical anthropology students are encouraged to engage in experiential learning through study abroad opportunities, such as:

- Creighton's Encuentro Dominicano program in the Dominican Republic
- Faculty Led Program Abroad (FLPA) Courses in Haiti and Germany, which are co-led by Medical Anthropology faculty members
- Field School summer research opportunities
- Other study abroad and international exchange programs partnered with Creighton's Global Engagement Office

Medical anthropology faculty purposefully integrate community engagement and experiential learning into their courses and assignments. Our faculty maintain active research agendas and regularly offer opportunities for students to become Research Assistants.

Students also are mentored and encouraged to pursue their own questions through Independent Research. Medical anthropology students have a high success rate in obtaining funding for their research through CURAS. With mentorship from faculty, medical anthropology students regularly present their research at regional, national, and international conferences.

CAREER OUTLOOK

Students have strong employment prospects for academic and nonacademic positions. Within academia, there has been steady growth in the number of faculty positions for medical anthropologists over the last decade. Beyond academia, the skill set of medical anthropologists also is highly valued in government agencies, non-profit and service organizations, consulting firms, community organizations, research firms and other private businesses.

CAREER OUTCOMES

Employment Opportunities

Employment opportunities come from organizations such as the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, international development agencies and domestic nonprofit organizations, such as:

- Uta Halee Girls Home Youth Worker
- Americorps VISTA New York City Civic Corps
- Namaste House
- Nebraska Aids Project
- Miller Orthopaedic Affiliates
- Research Coordinator at University of Chicago

Graduate Studies

Recent graduates gain admission to graduate programs in prestigious universities all over the world to study law, public health, public service medicine and forensics. These include:

- Melbourne University, Australia
- Stanford University, School of Law
- Sydney Medical School
- University of Arkansas, School of Public Service
- Boston University School of Public Health
- Emory University, Rollins School of Public Health

MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY TRACK

Four specializations, besides the general track, are available through the department.

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), in Medical Anthropology

For more details on the full curriculum, visit:

<http://catalog.creighton.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/sociology-anthropology-social-work/medical-anthropology-ba/>

CLASSES FOR THE GENERAL TRACK

Select one of the following Introductory Courses: 3

ANT 111	Introduction to Anthropology: Human and Cultural Diversity	3
ANT 112	Introduction to Anthropology: Culture, Energy and Sustainability	
ANT 113	Introduction to Anthropology: Social and Cultural Determinants of Health	

Core Courses

ANT 301	Social and Cultural Theory	3
ANT 312	Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences	3
ANT 314	Statistics for the Social Sciences	4
ANT 315	Healthcare, Society and Culture	3
ANT 316	Qualitative Methods In The Social Sciences	3
ANT 363	Medical Anthropology	3
ANT 499	Senior Capstone: Applying the Social Sciences	3

Electives 12

Select 12 credits of ANT electives, 300-level or above.

Total Credits 37

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Medical Anthropology and Sociology Society

Medical anthropology students come together to increase knowledge of world issues pertaining to the overall health of society in an attempt to create social justice. We strive to help those who are interested in the medical anthropology field as well as those who may be stigmatized or marginalized in the community.

Partners in Health Engage

Partners in Health Engage is a student-run organization that helps fund Partners in Health's projects to fight AIDS in Zambia and Rwanda. The money that they send to Partners in Health is used to fund treatment, train community workers, establish new clinics and implement a model for comprehensive healthcare for communities affected by HIV/AIDS. Partners in Health Engage has a strong commitment to social justice, human rights and global solidarity. Students participate by engaging in various fundraising and awareness efforts.

NETwork Against Malaria

NETwork Against Malaria raises awareness of the plight of Malaria in Uganda and attempts to raise funds for malaria prevention/relief. In addition, NETwork Against Malaria intends to provide community education on health and wellness of people of the Hoima Diocese in Uganda.