

Palo Verde College

Program Outline Report

Program Basics

Program Title:	Anthropology
Program Status:	Active from 2026-2027 Fall (2026FA)
Department:	Anthropology
Award Type:	A.A. Degree for Transfer (Credit)
Program/Catalog Description	The Associate in Arts in Anthropology for Transfer introduces students to the anthropological principles and methodologies used in the study of human diversity through space and time. Students will acquire the essential foundation and skills necessary to pursue advanced degrees in Anthropology, and a wide variety of occupational specializations in the field. The following is required for all AA-T or AS-T degrees: 1. Minimum of 60 CSU-transferable semester units. 2. Minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information. 3. Completion of a minimum of 18 semester units in an "AA-T" or "AS-T" major. All courses in the major must be completed with a grade of C or better or a "P" if the course is taken on a "pass-no pass" basis (title 5 § 55063). 4. Certified completion of the CalGETC General Education-Breadth.
Control Number:	46554
Credential ID:	No value
Transferability:	No value
(SP01) Program TOP Code:	2202.00
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(SP02) Student Program Award:	Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree
Maximum Credits:	60
Minimum Credits:	60
Curriculum Committee Approval Date:	12/11/2025
Board of Trustees Approval Date:	01/13/2026
External Review Approval Date:	01/13/2026

Proposal Details

Proposal Start:	2026-2027 Fall (2026FA)
What changes have been made to the program:	Updating TMC, and catalog description to reflect CalGETC
Program Justification:	The proposed Associate in Arts in Anthropology for Transfer will expand the college's current degree offerings. Currently, there are no related programs offered by the college, although several of the required courses are shared by the Associate in Arts in Psychology for Transfer degree, Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer degree as the Associate of Arts Degree in Mathematics and Science with an emphasis in Social and Behavioral Sciences. Students have expressed a high interest in the Anthropology Degree, which will attract new students, and also accommodate an overflow of students pursuing the Associate of Arts Degree in Social Sciences. Because the Associate in Arts in Anthropology for Transfer is built around pre-existing courses and requires no additional resources, it will provide a

productive new direction for the college.

Submission Rationale

- New Program

Program Requirements

Anthropology (Total 60)

Complete the following number of credits: 60

Required Core Courses (9 units) (Total 10)

Complete all of the following

ANT101 - Cultural Anthropology	3
ANTHC1001 - Introduction to Biological Anthropology	3
ANTHC1001L - Biological Anthropology Lab	1
ANT201 - Introduction to Archaeology	3

List A: Select one course (3 units) (Total 3)

Complete the following number of credits: 3

STATC1000 - Introduction to Statistics	4
PSY155 - Introduction to Statistical Analysis for the Social Sciences	3

List B: Select two courses (6 units) Any courses not selected from List A (Total 6)

Complete all of the following

ANT102 - Aztecs, Maya, and Their Predecessors	3
ANT107 - Anthropology of Religion	3

List C: Select one course (3 units) Any course not selected from List A or List B. GEL 101 must be taken with GEL 102. GEL 103 must be taken with GEL 104. (Total 3)

Complete the following number of credits: 3

BIO210 - Human Anatomy	4
GEL101 - Physical Geology	4
GEL102 - Physical Geology Laboratory	1
GEL103 - Environmental Geology	4
GEL104 - Environmental Geology Lab	1

CalGETC: Transfer General Education Requirements	34-38
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Recommended Sequences

No value

Program Outcomes

Anthropology

PSLO

Performance

Acquired fundamental grounding in communication, critical thinking, scientific inquiry, and quantitative reasoning, the arts, literature and humanities, social, political and economic institutions, and self-development.	70
The ability to explain and apply the major theoretical perspectives in anthropology.	70
The ability to describe human diversity as it spans space and time	70

Program Narrative

Narrative Item 1. Program Goals and Objectives

The Associate in Arts in Anthropology for Transfer introduces students to anthropological content, theory and methodologies used in the scientific study of anthropological processes and behaviors. The Associate in Arts in Anthropology for Transfer provides students with the essential groundwork necessary to pursue advanced degrees in the field. The courses are designed to help students understand the structures, processes, and functions of human diversity, the key theoretical approaches and insights that inform anthropology, and the role of anthropological theory and research methods in understanding human diversity. In addition, the program seeks to foster critical and systemic thinking and increase self-knowledge and awareness of the diversity of the human condition.

The Associate in Arts in Anthropology for Transfer supports the mission of Palo Verde College by providing students with a comprehensive degree program that promotes student success, educational advancement, and a multitude of career opportunities.

Narrative Item 2. Catalog Description

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Transfer Model Curriculum TMC Template

TMC is attached

Transfer Documentation (AAM/BCT/GECC,C-ID)

BCT For ANT 102, 107