

## ANTHROPOLOGY (COURSE 21A)

Anthropology Section (<https://catalog.mit.edu/schools/humanities-arts-social-sciences/anthropology/#undergraduatetext>)

### Bachelor of Science in Anthropology

#### General Institute Requirements (GIRs)

The General Institute Requirements include a Communication Requirement that is integrated into both the HASS Requirement and the requirements of each major; see details below.

Summary of Subject Requirements	Subjects
Science Requirement	6
Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences (HASS) Requirement [between three and six subjects can be from the Departmental Program]; at least two of these subjects must be designated as communication-intensive (CI-H) to fulfill the Communication Requirement.	8
Restricted Electives in Science and Technology (REST) Requirement	2
Laboratory Requirement (12 units)	1
<b>Total GIR Subjects Required for SB Degree</b>	<b>17</b>

#### Physical Education Requirement

Swimming requirement, plus four physical education courses for eight points.

#### Departmental Program

Choose at least two subjects in the major that are designated as communication-intensive (CI-M) to fulfill the Communication Requirement.

Required Subjects	Units
Select two of the following:	24
21A.00 Introduction to Anthropology: Comparing Human Cultures	
21A.01 How Culture Works	
21A.157 The Meaning of Life	
21A.155 Food, Culture, and Politics (CI-M)	12
21A.802 Seminar in Ethnography and Fieldwork (CI-M)	12

#### Restricted Electives

Eight anthropology subjects, which may include a pre-thesis tutorial (21A.THT) and a thesis (21A.THU). The decision to write a thesis is made in consultation between the student and advisor.

<b>Units in Major</b>	<b>138-144</b>
<b>Unrestricted Electives<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>72-114</b>

Units in Major That Also Satisfy the GIRs (36-72)

**Total Units Beyond the GIRs Required for SB Degree 180**

The units for any subject that counts as one of the 17 GIR subjects cannot also be counted as units required beyond the GIRs.

<sup>1</sup> This chart has been calculated based on an overlap of 36 units (three subjects) between the HASS General Institute Requirement and the departmental requirements. Students who develop a program of study with more overlap will be able to select more unrestricted electives to meet the number of total units beyond the GIRs required for an SB degree.