

INSTRUCTIONS  
INDEPENDENT STUDY IN ANTHROPOLOGY  
ANT 497 (UNDERGRADUATE) OR ANT 597 (GRADUATE)

Before attempting to enroll in Ant 497; *Department Projects* or Ant 597; *Advanced Topics in Anthropology*, you should be sure you have met its prerequisites. Normally a minimum of 6 credits in Anthropology is required for ANT 497, while graduate standing is needed for ANT 597. In addition, you must complete the following steps well before the semester begins:

1. Fill out the attached application form.
2. Write a brief proposal (typed, double spaced) describing the project in some detail. You will probably want to discuss the project with the particular member of the department who will be supervising your work, but this will not relieve you of the responsibility of putting it all in writing.

In the first paragraph, you should describe concisely what it is you want to do. Then go on to cover each of the following points:

- How do you plan to go about your work?
- You are expected to complete the project within the semester. Can you realistically meet this deadline?
- If the project involves field work and travel, when do you plan to carry it out? Do you have the necessary transportation?
- Do you need special equipment, supplies, or services (camera, tape recorder, canoe, film, film development, etc.), and who will provide them—you, the Anthropology Department, or some outside source?
- Do you know how to handle the required equipment?
- What will the final project consist of (a paper...A bibliography...an exhibit?)
- On what do you expect to be graded? Paper(s), or oral and/or written exam(s)? Another method?

3. The application form and the accompanying proposal must be turned in to the supervising department member during the semester preceding the one in which you plan to do your work. This will allow your professor to read it carefully, and have a conference with you to work out whatever revisions are necessary to make the project mutually acceptable. You may be asked to resubmit the proposal, incorporating the modifications discussed in the conference.

4. Once the supervising department member approves your proposal, he or she will submit it to the other faculty members for review.

5. If the project is approved by the department, you and your supervisor will work out a schedule of conferences. You will be expected to turn in at least two typed progress reports before the final project is submitted. Both the original proposal and the progress reports will become part of your file in the department, so be sure to make extra copies for yourself.

APPLICATION FORM  
DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

FOR (CHECK ONE): \_\_\_\_\_ ANT 497 DEPARTMENT PROJECTS

\_\_\_\_\_ ANT 597 ADVANCED TOPICS IN ANT

Semester \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed credits \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class \_\_\_\_\_ SS# \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

***List courses taken in Anthropology:***

What other special training or preparation have you had that qualifies you to undertake this project? Be as specific as possible, listing other courses, books you have read, other work you may have already done, etc.

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Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Faculty Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Chairperson: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_