



Annual Report on Program Learning Outcomes Assessment

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1. List the learning outcomes for the program:

- *1. The diversity of human cultures and the principles anthropologists have employed for studying them.*
- *2. Fundamental cultural themes in at least one society other than their own, and their relationship to the dynamics of social organization.*
- *3. Human linguistic diversity, and the shared properties of all languages that are associated with the unique capacities of our species.*
- *4. The biological principles and historical contingencies that explain and govern the deep history and present state of humanity.*
- *5. The fundamental laws and processes of heredity and evolution, and their implications for individuals and populations.*
- *6. Students with a concentration in social and cultural anthropology will additionally be able to articulate and act on a more focused understanding of one or more topical areas, which may include the cross-cultural study of law, politics, economic systems, psychology, or medical systems. They will demonstrate an ability to relate theory to empirically grounded research that will help to equip them for an era of globalization in which they will need to understand and interact with societies and cultures beyond their own.*
- *7. Students with a concentration in biological anthropology will additionally be expected to demonstrate a basic theoretical and practical understanding of key aspects of the evolutionary biology, functioning, and pathologies of the human body and of the biological factors that underlie, impact, and constrain nutrition, reproduction, and behavior in humans and other primates.*