



## **Instructions for Completing Anthropology Graduate Program Deficiency Requirements**

Students who are accepted into the graduate program with limited background in anthropology are generally required to make up what are (unfortunately) known as “deficiencies” by taking courses in one or more program areas, as specified below. Students must earn a grade of B (or higher, as specified below) in these courses. Any deficiencies are noted in the admission letter from the school. It is normally expected that deficiencies will be completed within the first two years in the graduate program. However, students may request, through their advisor, to do so later in their graduate career, given sufficient justification. As long as the courses taken to meet deficiency requirements are taken at the graduate level (normally with a course number of 450 or higher), they do count towards the total credit hours required to fulfill degree requirements. Whether and how they are included on a student’s program of study depends on the supervisory committee’s assessments of the student’s academic needs.

### **To Make Up a Deficiency in Archaeology:**

Take Principles of Archaeology (ASB 330) at ASU at the Tempe campus, taught by a regular faculty member in the School of Human Evolution and Social Change. Do all the required work, papers, exams, and earn a grade of A- or higher. Sign up for the class at a graduate level, usually as a Readings and Conference, with the course instructor. Under special circumstances (which must be approved by the archaeology approach convener or director of graduate studies) students may take other upper-division archaeology classes in lieu of ASB 330.

### Students taking classes on this basis will:

- Meet occasionally with the instructor to discuss any issues that arise. These meetings should be conversations; they will not involve any additional work on either the student’s or faculty’s part.
- Be graded on par with the students in the class (i.e., upper-division undergraduates).

### **To Make Up a Deficiency in Physical Anthropology:**

Take either two undergraduate classes or one graduate class as follows (earning at least a B in the class[es]):

#### Undergraduate courses:

- ASM 104 Stones, Bones and Human Evolution
- ASM 246 Human Origins
- ASM 341 Osteology
- ASM 342 Human Biological Variation
- ASM 343 Primatology
- ASM 344 Fossil Hominids
- ASM 345 Disease and Human Evolution

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ASM 348 Social Issues in Human Genetics

Graduate courses: One of the above 300-level courses taken at the 500 level or ASM 591 (Topics in Physical Anthropology). Note that ASM 246 is not offered as a 591.

**To Make Up a Deficiency in Sociocultural Anthropology:**

Take either two undergraduate classes or one graduate class as follows (earning at least a B in the class[es]):

Undergraduate courses: (select one course from each of Groups A and B)

Group A:

ASB 311	Principles of Social Anthropology
ASB 416	Economic Anthropology
ASB 417	Political Anthropology

Group B:

ASB 314	Comparative Religion
ASB 412	History of Anthropology
ASB 481	Language and Culture

Graduate courses: One of the above courses taken at the graduate level or Critical Issues in Museum Studies (ASB 591) or Culture and Personality (ASB 591).