MBA/MA Anthropology
Dual Degree

The Leeds School of Business and the Department of Anthropology endorse a dual degree program in which both a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Arts in Anthropology be awarded to those students who satisfy the requirements outlined below.

Note: Residents of Western states, including Alaska and Hawaii, may be eligible for in-state tuition for this dual degree program. Please see the Western Regional Graduate Program information sheet (download the WRGP handout) at wrgp.wiche.edu, or contact the Tuition Classification Officer in the Office of the Registrar at 303-492-0907, or by email: tuit.class@registrar.colorado.edu.

Admission to the Dual Degree Program

1. Students must meet the admissions standards for each program separately, and are urged to have a conversation with the Anthropology faculty member who is most closely aligned with their interests prior to submitting an application. It is important that students clearly indicate their interest in the dual degree program in their Personal Statement to the Department of Anthropology.

2. For admission to the MBA program, at least two years of full-time, post-graduate work experience is strongly recommended. Work experience adds relevance and depth to the learning process and allows greater contribution to classroom discussions and project work.

3. Dual degree students may start either program first; however, in the first year of the dual degree program, courses are taken in one of the two departments exclusively, and in the second year, courses are taken in the other department exclusively.

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Description of Curriculum

It is generally advisable for a student to begin in the Department of Anthropology. In that case, the student will enroll in a full load of Anthropology courses during the first year in the program, as described below.

Specific additional requirements depending upon the student’s subdiscipline, to be at least partially met in the first year; the remainder to be completed in the third or fourth year.

- Archaeology: ANTH 5345 Archaeological Theory; ANTH 5000 Analysis of Materials Using Laboratory Methods (exs: ANTH 5245 Ceramics; ANTH 5380 Lithic Analysis; ANTH 5919 Collections Research Practicum); ANTH 5400 Research Methods in Archaeology II; ANTH 5460 Archaeology in Contemporary Society; plus a required MA paper in conjunction with ANTH 7840.
- Cultural Anthropology: ANTH 5780 core course in Cultural Anthropology; ANTH 5785 Advanced Seminar in Cultural Anthropology; five graduate seminars, plus a required MA paper in conjunction with ANTH 7840.
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Dual degree students who start in the Anthropology department will enroll in the following MBA courses during the second year in the combined program (37 credits):

- Quantitative Methods
- Data and Decisions
- Managerial Economics I & II
- Social, Moral and Economic Foundations of Business
- Marketing Management
- Corporate Finance
- Financial Accounting
- Foundations of Teamwork
- Strategy
- Leadership
- Managerial Communications
- Professional Development
- Operations Management
- Two business electives

A dual degree student will enroll in a combination of Anthropology and MBA courses during the third and fourth years in the dual degree program, as described below:

- MBA requirements to be taken during the 2nd and/or 3rd year (6 credits):
  - Two additional business electives to complete a total of 43 MBA credit hours.
  - One MBA course at the 5000 level or above dealing with cultural, anthropological, or ethnographic approaches may be substituted for an elective course in the MA Anthropology program.
  - All remaining coursework required for MA Anthropology will be taken during the third or fourth year.

Graduation Requirements

- Dual degree students will be required to complete 43 hours of MBA coursework and 30 hours of Anthropology coursework (3 hours of which may be an approved elective in the MBA program).
- Both degrees will be awarded simultaneously.
- Dual degree students must maintain the academic and ethical standards required of both schools. Students in good standing in one school, but not the other, may be allowed to continue in the school in which they are in good standing.
- Students who do not complete the dual degree program requirements (i.e., who withdraw for any reason from one of the two programs) will be required to meet the full requirements of the remaining program in which they are enrolled.

Preparation

In preparation for the quantitative nature of the MBA program, Anthropology students lacking a quantitative background are strongly advised to strengthen those skills prior to beginning the MBA program. Please contact the MBA Programs office for additional advice.