**American University of Central Asia Department: Anthropology and International Development**

CHECKLIST FOR ADMITS 2025

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| **General Education Courses** | | | | | | |
| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequisites** | **Comments** |
| **Academic Orientation program:**  **August - September, 2024** |  |  | **2\*** | 1Fall |  | **Outside of 240** |
| First Year Seminar I |  |  | 4 | 1Fall |  |  |
| First Year Seminar II |  |  | 4 | 1 Spring | FYS-100 |  |
| Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS) |  |  | 2 | 1Fall |  |  |
| Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS) |  |  | 2 | 1 Spring | FYS-100.3 |  |
| English Composition I |  |  | 6 | 1Fall |  |  |
| English Composition II |  |  | 6 | 1 Spring | ENG-122 |  |
| Kyrgyz Language and Literature I |  |  | 4 | 1Fall |  |  |
| Kyrgyz Language and Literature II |  |  | 4 | 1 Spring | KLL-103.1/104.1 |  |
| Russian Language I |  |  | 2 | 1Fall |  |  |
| Russian Language II |  |  | 2 | 1 Spring | RUS-101.1/103.1 |  |
| History of Kyrgyzstan |  |  | 4 | 2 Spring |  |  |
| Geography of Kyrgyzstan |  |  | 2 | 2 Spring |  |  |
| Manas Studies |  |  | 2 | 2 Fall |  |  |
| Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Natural Sciences/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 6 |  |  |  |
| Arts/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
| Humanities/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
| Social Sciences/Second Year Seminar\*\* |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |
| Sports |  |  | 400 hours/0 credits |  |  |  |
| **Total GenEd credits** |  |  | **92 [2] credits** |  |  |  |

**\*** **Credits earned for the Academic Orientation program are not included into 240 credits for graduation.**

\*\*All students in their 2nd year must take one Second Year Seminar. This seminar substitutes for one required 6-credit course in either Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts or Natural Science.

\*\*\*One 6-credit course in Major requirements could be counted towards General Education requirements.

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| **Major Requirements** | | | | | | |
| **Required Courses in Major Total – 66 credits** | | | | | | |
| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequisites** | **Comments** |
| Cultural Concepts and Social Networks | ANTH 107 | 2998 | 6 | 1 Fall | None |  |
| Introduction to Archaeology | ANTH 111 | 2921 | 6 | 1 Spring | None |  |
| International Development: Donors, NGOs, Communities and Culture | ANTH  120.1 | 2916 | 6 | 1 Spring | None |  |
| History of Anthropological Theories I-II | ANTH 200.1 /ANTH 400.1 | 3079 / 2441 | 12 | 2 Fall –  3 Spring | ANTH 107 |  |
| Fieldwork (Archaeology) | ANTH  327 | 3950 | 6 | 2 Fall | ANTH 111 |  |
| Ethnographic Research Methods | ANTH  309 | 3532 | 6 | 2 Spring | ANTH 107 |  |
| Fieldwork (Anthropology) | ANTH  328 | 3949 | 6 | 3 Fall | ANTH 309 |  |
| International Development and Cross-Cultural Communication | ANTH  341 | 5381 | 6 | 3 Fall | None |  |
| Thesis Writing, I-II | ANHT 327, ANTH 401 | 5121  5122 | 12 | 4 Fall –  4 Spring |  |  |
| **Elective Courses in Major 36 credits from the following list** | | | | | | |
| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** | **Semester** | **Prerequisites** | **Comments** |
| Applied Research in Sustainable Development | ANTH -403 | 6311 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Archaeology of Central Asia | ANTH 220.1 | 3058 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Ethnicity and Identity in Multicultural Societies | ANTH 320.1 | 3056 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Races, Human Diversity and Biology | ANTH 132.1 | 2915 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Religion and Culture in Japan | ANTH 208.1 | 3840 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Language, Culture and Power | ANTH 232.1 | 3057 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Death and Ritual in the Past | ANTH  289 | 5653 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Ancient Turkic inscriptions | ANTH  336 | 5326 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Selected Topics in Kyrgyz Culture and Literature | ANTH/SS  434 | 4767 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Gender, Kinship and Family | ANTH  310.1 | 2108 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Religion and Spirituality as Cultural Categories | ANTH  331 | 3043 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Globalization, Migration and Transnationalism | ANTH  215.1 | 2991 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Creative Thinking | ANTH/SS  233 | 4778 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Cross-cultural Communication in the Age of Google-Translate | ANTH 240 | 4964 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Rock Art of Eurasia | ANTH/ART 258.2 | 3046 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Health and Illness: anthropological perspective | ANTH/SOC/PSY-263 | 4239 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Japanese Culture, International Development, and Technology | ANTH  342 | 5543 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Alternate worlds: culture at work | ANTH/SOC/PSY-278 | 5180 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Anthropology of Love | ANTH/SS  288 | 4531 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Anthropology of Violence | ANTH   355.1 | 4367 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Human Evolution | ANTH/SS  470 | 4765 | 6 |  | None |  |
| Interdisciplinary Research Methods | ANTH  409 | 5635 | 6 |  | ANTH 309 |  |
| The Great Game: The International Competition for Central Asia | HIST   307.1 | 3297 | 6 |  | None |  |
| "Nature" and "Sustainable Development" | ANTH-393 | 5747 | 6 |  | None |  |
| **Elective courses (at least 18 credits outside of major) 36+18= 54 credits** | | | | | | |
| **Total 242 credits** | | | | | | |

**Order of study for 2025 admits**

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| **Academic Orientation Program [2 credits]** | | | | |
| **1st semester (30 credits)** | | **2nd semester (30 credits)** | | |
| **Orientation** | 2 | **Introduction to Archaeology** | 6 | |
| **Cultural Concepts and Social Networks** | 6 | **International Development: Donors, NGOs, Communities and Culture** | 6 | |
| **Major elective 1** | 6 | FYS II: First Year Seminar II | 4 | |
| FYS I: First Year Seminar I | 4 | Introduction to Philosophy II (part of FYS) | 2 | |
| Introduction to Philosophy I (part of FYS) | 2 | English Composition II | 6 | |
| English Composition I | 6 | Kyrgyz Language and Literature II | 4 | |
| Kyrgyz Language and Literature I | 4 | *Russian language II* | 2 | |
| *Russian language I* | 2 | Sports 2 (100 hours) | 0 | |
| Sports 1 (100 hours) | 0 |  |  | |
|  | **32** |  | **30** | |
| **3rd semester (30 credits)** | | **4th semester (30 credits)** | | |
| **Fieldwork in Archaeology** | 6 | **Ethnographic Research Methods** | 6 | |
| **History of Anthropological Theories I** | 6 | **History of Anthropological Theories II** | 6 | |
| **Major elective 2** | 6 | **Major elective 3** | 6 | |
| *Second Year Seminar: Natural science* | 6 | *Second Year Seminar: Humanities1* | 6 | |
| *Second Year Seminar: Social Sciences 1* | 6 | *History of Kyrgyzstan* | 4 | |
| Manas Studies | 2 | *Geography of Kyrgyzstan* | 2 | |
| Sports 3 (100 hours) | 0 | Sports 4 (100 hours) | 0 | |
|  | **32** |  | **30** | |
| **5th semester (31 credits)** | | **6th semester (30 credits)** | | |
| **Fieldwork in Anthropology** | 6 | **Major elective 5** | | 6 |
| **International Development and Cross-Cultural Communication** | 6 | **Major elective 6** | | 6 |
| **Major elective 4** | 6 | *Social Science 2* | | 6 |
| *Mathematics I* | 6 | *Humanities 2* | | 6 |
| Arts 1 | 6 | *Arts 2* | | 6 |
|  | **30** |  | | **30** |
| **7th semester (30 credits)** | | **8th semester (30 credits)** | | |
| **Thesis Writing I: Literature Review and Research Design** | 6 | **Thesis Writing 2: Analysis of Field-data and Writing Up** | | 6 |
| *Elective courses* | 12 | *Elective courses* | | 12 |
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|  | **30** |  | | **30** |

## Graduation requirements:

1. Earn at least 242 credits (+credit hours earned for program internships)
   1. Complete all General Education requirements;
   2. Complete all requirements for at least one major;
   3. Earn no more than 102 credits of introductory (100-level) courses;
   4. Complete at least 18 elective credits outside of a student’s major and General Education program;
   5. Complete the required number of internship credits (the number of credits is determined by each department);
   6. Pass all state graduation examinations;
   7. Successfully complete and defend a senior thesis/project;
   8. Receive no "F" or "N/p" grades in the final semester;

To earn an overall GPA of at least 2.0.