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## Change in Anthropology Major Program

The College at Brockport, College Senate

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Resolution #14 1986-87

TO: President John E. Van de Wetering

FROM: The Faculty Senate Meeting on February 16, 1987  
(Date)

RE: X I. Formal Resolution (Act of Determination)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ II. Recommendation (Urging the fitness of)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ III. Other (Notice, Request, Report, etc.)

SUBJECT: Change in Anthropology Major Program



Signed Roy M. Wein Date Sent 2/23/87  
(For the Senate)

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TO: The Faculty Senate

FROM: President John E. Van de Wetering

RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution

a. Accepted. Effective Date April 87

b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on \_\_\_\_\_

c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation

II., III. a. Received and acknowledged

b. Comment:

DISTRIBUTION: Vice Presidents: (see attached list)

Others: \_\_\_\_\_

Distribution Date: 2/26/87 Signed: [Signature]  
(President of the College)

Date Received by the Senate: \_\_\_\_\_

2/10/87

TO: FACULTY SENATE  
FROM: CHARLES EDWARDS, CHAIR  
ANTHROPOLOGY  
RE: NEW ANTHROPOLOGY MAJOR PROGRAM

We submit for approval the following changes in our major program to:

- 1) attract higher quality undergraduates;
- 2) provide a more structured path through the major;
- 3) provide more "hands on" experience;
- 4) prepare majors for career entry or admission to more demanding graduate programs and;
- 5) make better use of faculty and resources.

These changes (attached synopsis), while they appear extensive, actually reflect what had become practice over the last few semesters:

- 1) Emphasizing roots of anthropology, anthropological methods, and subdisciplines of anthropology (Biological anthropology, Archaeology, Ethnology);
- 2) Reducing emphasis on the core areas (medical anthropology, human survival and world systems) of old major and covering them as electives or within the *contemporary sociocultural problems* component of the new major.
- 3) Increasing emphasis on data collection, analysis, methodology, etc., and increasing number of required upper division research courses from one to two, including
- 4) a senior thesis.

## SYNOPSIS OF CHANGES

### OLD PROGRAM 30 Credits

**ANT 100: *Survival and change***

Three courses each in two of following foci:

- 1) environment and human survival
- 2) world system and global change
- 3) culture and health

**ANT 498: *Anthropological Inquiry***

***Recommended courses:***

Independent research project following  
ANT 498 and resulting in major paper.

**SOC 200: *Social Statistics*, or equivalent**

***Electives* two (6 cr)**

### NEW PROGRAM 31 Credits

***Retain as* ANT 100 (3 cr.)**

***Eliminate three foci and replace with:***

- ANT 110: *World Archeology* (3 cr)**
- ANT 121: *Human Evolution w/Lab* (4 cr)**
- ANT 370: *Anthro. Literature* (3 cr.)**

One intermediate (300 level) course in world  
area or cultural/ethnic group such as (3 cr):

- ANT 301: *Native Americans***
- ANT 331: *Hispanics in the U.S.***
- ANT 332: *China in Transition***
- ANT 342: *North American Archeology*  
or equivalent**

One intermediate course in contemporary  
sociocultural problems, applied anthropology  
or development anthropology, such as (3 cr):

- ANT 310: *World Health Crises***
- ANT 311: *Culture and Mental Health***
- ANT 321: *Cultural Change***
- ANT 322: *Culture and Power***
- ANT 330: *World Poverty*  
or equivalent**

***Retain as* ANT 495: *Anth. Research* (3 cr.)**

***Required as* ANT 496: *Senior thesis* (3 cr.)**

***Required as collateral course:*  
SOC 200: *Social Statistics*, or equivalent\***

***Electives* two (6 cr)**

***Recommended:* Two years foreign language  
Course in computer science or applications.**

\* Most ANT majors take SOC 200. We discussed this with Ed Lehman and were advised it would not produce a hardship for Sociology. If necessary, we can offer an ANT statistics course.