Introduction to the anthropological study of the Maya people in Southern Mexico, Guatemala, and Belize. The course will focus on specific portions of the Maya region, emphasizing selected themes and problems.

Exploration of regional history through the development of Maya studies and the historical transformations of Maya societies. These themes will be traced through studies of the Classic Maya, the Spanish conquest and colonization, indigenous resistance and rebellion, and recent pan-Maya activism.

This course meets the social cultural core requirement, the area requirement, or may be used as an upper division elective requirement.