

**FORM B**

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO  
PROGRAM PROPOSAL**

<b>Academic Unit:</b> Anthropology	<b>Date of Submission to School Dean:</b> February 16, 2006
<b>Requested Effective: Fall___, Spring X__, 2007</b>	
<b>Name of Contact Person, if not Department Chair:</b> David Zeanah, Ph.D., Graduate Coordinator (85683)	
<b>Title of the Program:</b> Graduate Program in Anthropology (Master of Arts)	
<b>Type of Program Proposal:</b> ____ Modification in Existing Program: ___X___ Substantive Change ___ Non-Substantive Change ___ Deletion of Existing Program ____ New Programs ___ Initiation (Projection) of New Program on to Master Plan ___ New Degree Programs ___ Regular Process ___ Fast Track Process ___ Pilot Process ___ New Minor, Concentration, Option, Specialization, Emphasis ___ New Certificate Program	
<b>PLEASE NOTE:</b> Form B is to be used only as a Cover Form. Additional information is requested for each of the above as noted in the corresponding procedure in the Policies and Procedures for Initiation, Modification, Review and Approval of Courses and Academic Programs found at <a href="http://www.csus.edu/acaf/univmanual/index.htm">http://www.csus.edu/acaf/univmanual/index.htm</a>	
<b>Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification.</b> The Department of Anthropology proposes to add a Preliminary Examination requirement to its Master of Arts program. All incoming graduate students will have to take the Preliminary Examination no later than the end of their fourth semester of coursework. The examination will be specific to the sub-disciplinary specialization of the student in either Archaeology, Physical Anthropology, or Sociocultural Anthropology. Passing the examination will be a prerequisite for approval of the thesis prospectus and advancement to candidacy. Failure to take or pass the preliminary exam will be judged as failure to make satisfactory progress toward completion of the degree and may serve as sufficient criteria for declassification of a student from the program. The exam will be administered twice a year. Inclusion of the Preliminary Examination improves the graduate program in anthropology by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• providing students with an opportunity to synthesize the information they have encountered in their coursework in directions pertaining to their thesis interests;</li><li>• encouraging students in a cohort to study jointly and share insights and knowledge gained in their individual coursework and research;</li><li>• allowing a student's Graduate Committee an earlier opportunity to assess a student's progress and ability to conduct thesis research;</li><li>• serving as an assessment tool by which the Anthropology Department may gauge how well the Graduate Curriculum achieves learning goals and objectives.</li></ul>	
<b>Approvals:</b>	
<b>Department Chair:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____
<b>School Dean:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____
<b>University Committee:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____
<b>Associate Vice President For Academic Affairs:</b> _____	<b>Date:</b> _____

- 1. Indicate programmatic or fiscal impact which this change will have on other academic units' programs, and describe the consultation that has occurred with affected units. Attach a copy of correspondence with these units.**

The proposed change will have no programmatic or fiscal impacts on other academic programs.

- 2. Provide a fiscal analysis of the proposed changes. How will the above changes be accommodated within the department/College existing fiscal resources?**

The proposed change can be accommodated within existing fiscal resources of the Anthropology Department.

- 3. If the proposed changes will require additional resources, describe the level and nature of additional funding the College will seek for the program changes.**

Not applicable

- 4. What additional space, equipment, operating expenses, library, computer, or media resources, clerical/technical support, or other resources will be needed? Estimate the cost and indicate how these resource needs will be accommodated.**

The proposed change can be accommodated with existing technical, clerical, and staff resources of the Anthropology Department.

**5.**

**Proposed Change:** Add a Preliminary Examination in each sub-discipline that will be a prerequisite to Advancement to Candidacy and approval of the thesis prospectus.

<b>NEW PROGRAM</b>	<b>OLD PROGRAM</b>
Required Core Seminars (9 units) Anth 202 Physical Anthropology Anth 203 Archaeology Anth 205 Ethnology	Required Core Seminars (9 units) Anth 202 Physical Anthropology Anth 203 Archaeology Anth 205 Ethnology
Electives (18 units) 6 units of Anthropology Seminars 3 units of any graduate-level Anthropology course 9 units of any graduate level or advanced upper-division courses	Electives (18 units) 6 units of Anthropology Seminars 3 units of any graduate-level Anthropology course 9 units of any graduate level or advanced upper-division courses
<b>Preliminary Examination</b>	
Thesis Prospectus	Thesis Prospectus
Anth 500 (3 units) Master's Thesis	Anth 500 (3 units) Master's Thesis
Thesis	Thesis