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ANTY 101H.01C: Anthropology and the Human Experience

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Introduction to Anthropology
ANTY 101-01C, Spring 2015
MWF 12:10-1:00
HB 01

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Course Description

Anthropology is a discipline that investigates the origin and nature of the human species. Anthropologists use a holistic approach to understand and compare humans in all aspects, places, and times. In this course, we will look at the four major fields of anthropological inquiry which includes physical/biological anthropology, archaeology, linguistic anthropology and cultural anthropology/ethnology. Throughout the course, we will also discuss the issue of ethics in anthropology and the notion of applied anthropology.

Required Texts

Ember, Carol, Melvin Ember, and Peter Peregrine (2010). Anthropology, 13th Edition.
A web-based supplement for this class is available on Moodle: <http://umonline.umt.edu>

Course Requirements

1 st Midterm	100 points
2 nd Midterm	100 points
Final Exam	200 points
Essay	45 points
Essay Question	5 points
Total Possible Points	450 points

Attendance:

Attendance and participation in classroom activities and discussion are a required part of this course.

Exams:

Exams will consist of objective, multiple choice questions and will cover material from lectures, readings, and videos. The final exam is comprehensive.

Essay:

Write a **500 word** essay based on your reading of one of the specified articles (please refer to Moodle). In the essay, you should provide a clear statement describing your stance on the anthropological issue covered in the article and then provide justification for your particular perspective. Please spell and grammar check your document before submitting online by **Monday, April 27th**. As part of this assignment, you will also be required to post one analytical question on Moodle about your chosen article. **DUE DATE: Friday, April 24th**

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Course Topics, Schedule, and Assignments

Week 1: January 26-30

Chapter 1: What is Anthropology
Chapter 2: History of Anthropological Theory
Chapter 3: Research Methods in Anthropology

Week 2: February 2-6

Chapter 4: Genetics and Evolution
Chapter 5: Human Variation and Adaptation

Week 3: February 9-13

Chapter 6: The Living Primates

Week 4: February 16-20

Monday, February 16th President's Day (No Classes)

Chapter 7: Primate Evolution: From Early Primates to Hominoids

Chapter 8: The First Hominids

Week 5: February 23-27

1st Midterm February 25 (No Class-Online Moodle Exam)

Chapter 9: The Origins of Culture and the Emergence of *Homo*

Chapter 10: The Emergence of *Homo sapiens*

Week 6: March 2-6

Chapter 11: The Upper Paleolithic World

Chapter 12: Origins of Food Production and Settled Life

Week 7: March 9-13

Chapter 13: Origins of Cities and States

Chapter 14: Culture and Culture Change

Week 8: March 16-20

Chapter 15: Communication and Language

Week 9: March 23-27

Chapter 16: Getting Food

Chapter 17: Economic Systems

Week 10: March 30-April 3

Spring Break (No Classes)

Week 11: April 6-10

2nd MIDTERM April 8th (No Class-Online Moodle Exam)

Chapter 24: Political Life: Social Order and Disorder

Chapter 18: Social Stratification: Class, Ethnicity and Racism

Week 12: April 13-17

Chapter 19: Culture and the Individual

Week 13: April 20-24

QUESTION POSTED Friday, April 24th

Chapter 21: Marriage and the Family

Chapter 22: Marital Residence and Kinship

Week 14: April 27-May 1

ESSAY DUE Monday, April 27th

Chapter 20: Sex, Gender, and Culture

Chapter 23: Associations and Interest Groups

Week 15: May 4-8

Chapter 25: Religion and Magic

Chapter 27: Applied, Practicing, and Medical Anthropology

Week 16: Final: Friday, May 15th 10:10-12:10