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ANTHROPOLOGY 101: ANTHROPOLOGY & THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE

Fall 2015

M/W/F * 10:10-11:00am * Social Sciences 356

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TR 11:00-12:00pm

Course Description

This course provides an in-depth introduction to anthropology surveying the four subfields of biological anthropology, archaeology, social/cultural anthropology, and linguistic anthropology. Topics covered include human evolution and biological variation; world prehistory from Paleolithic to bronze age; language and expressive culture; marriage, family, and kinship; subsistence and economic systems; and other cultural subsystems. There are no prerequisites. This course is required for anthropology majors and minors and fulfills the general education social science distribution requirement. The course is lecture based with opportunities for discussion of lecture and films.

Course Objectives

1. Students will gain an appreciation of the diversity and richness of the human experience.
2. Students will acquire an understanding of the history, subject matter, and methods of study in anthropology.
3. Students will increase their knowledge of the history of human biological and cultural evolution.
4. Students will learn basic anthropological concepts and terms.

Course Requirements

Examinations

There will be five 100-point exams consisting of 50 True-False, Matching, and Multiple-Choice questions covering lectures, films, classroom presentations, and readings. None of the exams is comprehensive and the lowest grade will be dropped. Students will need to bring a **narrow red scantron sheet** and a **number 2 pencil** to class on the day of the exam.

Grading Scale

Letter	A	B	C	D	F
Test	100-90	89-80	79-70	69-60	59-0
Course	400-360	359-320	319-280	279-240	239-0

Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes and are personally responsible for all material covered in class. Tests cover both readings and classroom presentations equally. There will be pop quizzes.

Make-Ups

Students are expected to do all work on the scheduled date listed in the syllabus. **Make-ups** will only be given in the case of **unavoidable** absences. It is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor as soon as possible (within 1 week of return to classes) in such cases and to arrange for a make-up.

Extra Credit

Students can earn extra credit by writing a 2-4 page critical review of a book selected from the approved list available on **Moodle**. Guidelines for the reviews are also available there. This review is worth up to 10 points. There will be additional extra credit opportunities over the course of the semester. These will be announced in class and posted on Moodle. All extra credit papers are **due on Friday Dec. 5, 2014 by midnight**.

Academic Honesty

All students must practice academic honesty. Academic misconduct is subject to an academic penalty by the course instructor and/or a disciplinary sanction by the University. All students need to be familiar with the Student Conduct Code. Review the code online [here](#).

Students with Disabilities

If you need special accommodations, you should contact [Disability Services for Students](#) to make arrangements and let me know if there is anything I need to be aware of or that I need to do.

Access

This syllabus, along with reading assignments, study guides, lecture notes, announcements, and other course materials will be available on-line through the University's Moodle system. **Contact information for my TA is also available there under "Faculty Information"**.

Required Readings:

Ember, Carol, Melvin Ember, & Peter N. Peregrine. *Anthropology*. 2nd Special ed. (13 ed.) Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson/Prentice Hall, 2010. (*Available at the campus bookstore and 2 copies are on reserve in the library*)

ANTH 101: INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

Provisional Course Outline

WEEK 1 Introduction & Methods

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 1-3.

Aug 31 (Mon) - VIDEO: *The Nature of Anthropology* (30)

WEEK 2 Evolution & Variation

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 4-5.

Sep 7 **LABOR DAY (NO CLASS)**

WEEK 3 Primate Evolution & Humanity

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 6-7.

Sep 18 (Fri) **FIRST EXAM**

WEEK 4 Human Beginnings

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 8.

WEEK 5 HOMO habilis & Homo erectus

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 9.

Sep 23 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Becoming Human, pt 2* (57)

WEEK 6 Homo sapiens

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 10-11.

Oct 9 (Fri) **SECOND EXAM**

WEEK 7 The Neolithic & the Rise of Civilization

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 12-13.

Oct 9 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Settling Down* (55)

WEEK 8 Culture & Expression

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 14-15, 27.

Oct 16 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Studying Culture* (40)

WEEK 9 Subsistence & Economy

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 16-17.

Oct 30 (Fri) **THIRD EXAM**

WEEK 10 Political Systems & Stratification

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 18, 24.

Nov 6 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Kawelka: Ongka's Big Moka* (52)

WEEK 11 Kinship & Descent, & Residence

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 22.

WEEK 12. Marriage & Family

Nov 24 (Fri) **FOURTH EXAM**

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 21

WEEK 13 Marriage & Family (Cont)

Nov 25-29 **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

Nov 23 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Masai Women* (52)

WEEK 14 Sex, Gender, Age, & Common Interest

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 20, 23.

WEEK 15 Religion & Culture Change

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 25, 28

Dec 7 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Zulu Zion* (52)

FINALS WEEK

Dec 16 (Wed) – 8:00-10:10am **FIFTH EXAM**

