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# Anthropology and the Human Experience

ANTY 101H-Fall 2022

Class Meeting times: MWF 12:00-12:50

Location: MC 122

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## Course Description

Anthropology is a discipline that studies what it means to be human across time and space. From our biological origins and evolution to the material record of our past and the languages and cultures of contemporary people, anthropologists attempt to understand as much as they can about the human experience. This course provides a broad perspective on the study of anthropology and covers key topics in biological and cultural anthropology, linguistics, and archaeology.

## Course Objectives

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

## Required Text

Robert H. Lavenda and Emily Schultz. *Anthropology: What does it mean to be human?* 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> edition only!

## Supplementary Readings and Course Materials

In addition to the required text supplementary readings will be assigned prior to in-class discussions or in-class exercises. All of these readings can be found on the Moodle supplement to this course under the appropriate week. Please make sure that you can access the Moodle supplement as soon as possible and come to me with any problems.

## Academic Integrity

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. The Code is available for review online at <http://www.umt.edu/vpesa/documents/Student%20Conduct%20Code%20PDF-%20FINAL%208-27-13.pdf>

### Disability Accommodation

Eligible students with disabilities will receive appropriate accommodations in this course when requested in a timely way. Please contact me after class or in my office. Please be prepared to provide a letter from your DSS Coordinator. For more information, visit the Disability Services website at <http://www.umt.edu/dss/> or call 406.243.2243 (voice/text).

### Cell Phones

If the cell phone is not emergency related, ***turn it off. If the cell phone interferes with the process of the class, you may be asked to leave the class.*** If there is a reason to keep your cell phone active, place on vibrate. If you receive a call, please leave the classroom quietly to take the message. Cell phones, laptops, iPads, and other tablets must be turned off during exams.

### COVID-19 Class Procedures

**The University of Montana is not requiring mask usage in all classrooms and laboratories regardless of vaccine status.** The University of Montana in following the Missoula City-County Health Department guidance recommends all individuals (regardless of vaccine status) also voluntarily wear a mask indoors and get vaccinated to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Because the conditions, rules, guidance, and recommendations surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic continue to evolve rapidly, these guidelines are subject to change. You are encouraged to stay up-to-date with the most current COVID-19 guidance using the resources listed at the end of these guidelines.

- If you feel sick and/or are exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms, please don't come to class and contact the Curry Health Center at **(406) 243-4330**.
- If you are required to isolate or quarantine, you will be supported, and it is the hope to ensure continued academic progress.

Please refer to UM's Coronavirus [student information page](#) for more information and resources.

### Changes to Syllabi

Instructor reserves the right to modify syllabi and assignments as needed based on faculty, student, and/or environmental circumstances. If changes are made to the syllabus, amended copies will be dated and made available to the class.

### Grading and Assessment

Your grade in this course will be based on the following assessments:

Weekly quizzes	40%
Weekly assignments	40%
Film reviews	10%
Final exam	10%

**Attendance** is not required but we encourage you to show up, so you do not miss any instruction. If you are unable to attend class, please let us know so we can get you any material not already provided on Moodle.

**Film Reviews** will consist of each student creating a five-sentence discussion post regarding the video/movie clip watched in class. Once each student completes their post, they must reply to a minimum of two other students post with 2-3 sentences. We encourage you to talk about possible themes, ideas, and feelings that the videos might give you. You will have a week to complete the assignments after watching the videos. We will remind you of the due dates after watching the videos.

**Weekly assignments** are writing assignments or short projects that ask you to synthesize and expand on the weekly course materials. These assignments may include additional readings and will be provided to you at the start of each week and are due by 11:59pm on Sunday nights. (This gives you the whole week to get it done!)

**Weekly quizzes** cover the course materials assigned during the week. Quizzes open on Fridays and are due Sundays at 11:59pm and will be completed on Moodle.

**The final exam** is cumulative and covers all the assigned course materials. Students are encouraged to use weekly assignments and graded quizzes to study for the final exam. In addition, a study guide will be provided prior to the final.

### **Late Work Policy**

Assignments are due Sunday at 11:59 pm. With instructor consent, you may turn in film reviews and weekly assignments until the Tuesday following the week in which they are due for a 10% deduction for each day you are late. Quizzes close on Sunday at 11:59 pm. If you need additional time, please contact us, and arrange to have the quiz reopened. Late quizzes must be completed by Tuesday following the week in which they are due and are subject to a 10% penalty for each day they are late. The final exam will not be accepted late.

Grade scale:

90 – 100% = A

80 – 89% = B

70 – 79% = C

60 – 69 % = D

< 60 = F

Please note that + and – modifiers may be added to letter grades at the instructor’s discretion.

### Tentative Course Schedule and Topics

**Please note that the following topic order may shift slightly due to timing, student interest, and recent developments in the field.** Any additional (non-textbook) readings required prior to a class will be announced during the previous class and will be posted on Moodle the same day.

**FINAL EXAM TBD!!**

Week	Day	Date	Topic	Assignments
1	Monday	8/29	Introduction & Syllabus Review	Quiz 1 Assignment 1
	Wednesday	8/31	Intro to Cultural Anth & Linguistics	
	Friday	9/2	Intro to Bio Anth & Archaeology	
2	Monday	9/5	NO CLASS	Quiz 2 Assignment 2
	Wednesday	9/7	Evolution Basics	
	Friday	9/9	Hominin Evolution	
3	Monday	9/12	Hominin Evolution	Quiz 3 Assignment 3
	Wednesday	9/14		
	Friday	9/16		
4	Monday	9/19	Forensic Anthropology	Quiz 4 Assignment 4
	Wednesday	9/21	Molecular Anthropology	
	Friday	9/23	Bioarchaeology	
5	Monday	9/26	Archaeology	Quiz 5 Assignment 5
	Wednesday	9/28		
	Friday	9/30		
6	Monday	10/3	Archaeology	Quiz 6 Assignment 6
	Wednesday	10/5		
	Friday	10/7		
7	Monday	10/10	Linguistics	Quiz 7 Assignment 7
	Wednesday	10/12	Linguistics Video	
	Friday	10/14		
8	Monday	10/17	Religion	Quiz 8 Assignment 8 Film Discussion 1
	Wednesday	10/19	Religion: Art & Culture	
	Friday	10/21		
9	Monday	10/24	Subsistence and Economy	Quiz 9 Assignment 9
	Wednesday	10/26	Organization of Labor	
	Friday	10/28	Mass Migration & Trade	
10	Monday	10/31	Politics & Political Systems	Quiz 10 Assignment 10
	Wednesday	11/2		
	Friday	11/4		
11	Monday	11/7	Gender & Sexuality	Quiz 11 Assignment 11
	Wednesday	11/9	Gender Roles	
	Friday	11/11	NO CLASS	
12	Monday	11/14	Family, Marriage, & Kinship	Quiz 12 Assignment 12
	Wednesday	11/16		
	Friday	11/18	Family, Marriage, & Kinship Video	
13	Monday	11/21	Health & Healing	Quiz 13 Assignment 13 Film Discussion 2
	Wednesday	11/23	Thanksgiving Break	
	Friday	11/25		
14	Monday	11/28	Health & Healing Con't	Quiz 14 Assignment 14
	Wednesday	11/30	Conception, Birth, & Personhood	
	Friday	12/2	Life and Death Transitions	
15	Monday	12/5	Death and the Living	Quiz 15 Assignment 15
	Wednesday	12/7	FINAL REVIEW	
	Friday	12/9		