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## ANTY 422: Mind, Culture and Society

### Information

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### Course Description

3 cr. The study of socialization, personality, cognition, and mental health cross-culturally.

### Requirements

### Readings

Psychological Anthropology: A reader on self in culture. 2010. Robert LeVine.

A Companion to Psychological Anthropology 2005. Edited by Casey and Edgerton.

### Optional Readings (available as e-books or on reserve in Mansfield Library)

Culture and Identity: History, Theory and Practice. 2007. Charles Lindholm.

Subjectivity: Ethnographic Investigations. 2007. Joao Biehl, Byron Good, Arthur Kleinman.

Postcolonial Disorders. 2008. Byron J. Good, Sarah Pinto, Mary-Jo Delvecchio Good, editors.

Masculinities in a Global Era 2014. Joseph Gelfer, ed. Springer Press.

Situated Testimonies: Dread and Enchantment in an Indonesian Literary Archive. 2013.

Laurie Sears. University of Hawaii Press.

### Assignments

**Except for the first week**, readings assigned for lecture and discussion must be read prior to scheduled class meeting. Each student will prepare two questions for discussion of the readings. Weekly quizzes are held the final 30 minutes of each class period, and are worth 300 points. A take home midterm and final exam are worth 100 points. Students may opt to do a final oral presentation for a portion of the final grade.

### Policies Attendance

Students are expected to attend class and complete all assignments and exams. Absence due to athletic participation, or religious observance must be requested and work completed in advance. Absences due to illness or emergency must be documented, and additional work may be required to complete the assignment.

### Grades

Grades are based on consistent attendance and timely completion of assignments. Final letter grades are determined by a cumulative score, as a percentage of 500 total possible points; +/- is at the discretion of the instructor. There is no extra credit.

## Class Schedule

Date	Lecture Topic/Key Words	Reading Assignment
1. Aug. 25	History, Theory, Paradigms "The Search for the Self"	*Lindholm, chapter 1 LeVine, pp. 1-52 Casey, pp. 1-15, 17-29
2. Sept. 2	Person, Self and Subjectivity "Discovery of the Individual" Mead, Culture and Personality Ethnology of socialization, adolescence	*Lindholm, chapter 2 LeVine pp. 239-324, Casey, pp. 185-224 , 48-71
3. Sept. 9	Sleep, Dreams, and Alterity "Authenticity and Vicissitudes" Freud, Neuroses, Totem and Taboo	*Lindholm chapter 3 LeVine pp. 117-174 Casey et al, pp. 90-102
4. Sept. 16	Experience and Memory "How Other is the other?" Freud, childhood sexuality	*Lindholm, chapter 4 LeVine, pp. 175-238 Casey, pp. 103-120
5. Sept. 23	Emotion. Cognition, Rationality Psychoanalysis of Culture Psychic unity and diversity	*Lindholm, chapter 5 LeVine, pp. 53-116 Casey, pp. 30-47, 225-254
6. Sept. 30	Motivation, Development, Growth Reproduction of Mothering Quandaries and Alternatives	*Lindholm, chapter 6 LeVine, pp. 239-308 Casey, pp. 72-89. 140-182
7. Oct. 7	Embodiment, Perception, Agency Oedipus Complex—Freud's version Feminist alternatives to fathering Creativity and Alterity	*Lindholm, chapter 7 LeVine, pp. 117-174 Casey, pp. 123-139, 315-336
8. Oct. 14	Illness, Disease, Well-being Dialectics of deviance, self, other	*Lindholm, chapter 8 LeVine, pp. 309-324 Casey, pp. 255-314
9. Oct. 21	Trauma, Suffering, Psychic Disorder Spiro, Weiner, Lacan "The Thinking Animal"	*Lindholm, chapter 9 LeVine, pp. 325-350 Casey, pp. 337-357
10. Oct. 28	Myth and Ritual Ritual and Violence: New Guinea Feeling and Being	*Lindholm, chapter 10 LeVine, pp. 351-366 Casey, pp. 358-416

**11. Nov. 4      ELECTION DAY—NO CLASS**

**Take Home Midterm due November 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**12. Nov. 11      VETERAN’S DAY—NO CLASS**

13. Nov. 18      Health, Healing, and Medicine      \*Lindholm, chapter 11  
Outsiders and Charismatics      LeVine, pp. 365-377  
Casey, pp. 419-494

14. Nov. 25      What’s Love Got to do with it?      \*Lindholm, chapter 12  
Love and Culture in the U.S.      \*Lindholm, chapter 13  
“Being an American”      Casey et al, 495-499

15. Dec. 2      Presentations, Conclusion, Course Evaluation

**Take Home Final Exam due 10:10-12:00 p.m. December 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Exercises**

1. Keep a portfolio of questions and commentary on each article you read.
2. Write a short paragraph summary of each article for an annotated bibliography.
3. Identify three sources cited in the article, and read one supplemental source.
4. Prepare for discussion of the article(s) by considering the key word concepts.

**Undergraduates**

1. Weekly quizzes at the end of each seminar will allow for reflection on the key terms. Each of 10 quizzes is worth 30 points, for a total of 300 points.
2. The midterm will be a take home exercise the week Oct. 29-November 4 (due November 5<sup>th</sup>). Each student will meet with the instructor to discuss the midterm.
3. The final exam will be a take home exercise due December 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Graduates**

1. Graduate students must complete the assignments and propose a graduate supplement project: a research paper, or thesis chapter of 20-25 pages.
2. Both required and optional readings are expected of graduate students.
3. An annotated bibliography of 25-30 sources is due with the research paper.
4. Graduate students are encouraged to present their work at a public venue (conference or roundtable discussion for the department).

## Articles for class discussion (Levine, Casey et al, Biehl et al)

<b>LeVine</b>	<b>Introduction</b>	p. 1-17
<b>Part I Constructing a Paradigm 1917-55</b>		
<i>Introduction- Invisible Pioneers: Culture and Personality Reconsidered</i>		
1.	The Polish Peasant in Europe and America	pp. 18-23
2.	The Psychology of Culture	pp. 23-29
3.	Culture and Experience	pp. 30-52
<b>Part II Emotion and Morality in Diverse Cultures</b>		
<i>Introduction—Human Variations: A Population Perspective on Psychological Processes</i>		
4.	Emotions Have Many Faces: Inuit Lessons	pp. 60-67
5.	Moral Discourse and the Rhetoric of Emotion	pp. 68-82
6.	Kali's Tongue	pp. 83- 101
7.	Shame and Guilt in Japan	pp. 102-111
8.	Introduction to Culture and Depression	pp. 112-116
<b>Part III Psychoanalytic Explorations through Fieldwork</b>		
<i>Introduction—After Freud: Dramas of the Psyche in Cultural Context</i>		
9.	Psychoanalytic Anthropology	pp. 124-130
10.	Is the Oedipus Complex Universal?	pp. 131-153
11.	Kagwahiv Mourning I: Dreams of a Bereaved Father	pp. 154-164
12.	Kagwahiv Mourning II: Ghosts, Grief, Reminiscences	pp. 165-174
<b>Part IV Childhood: Internalizing Cultural Schemas</b>		
<i>Introduction—Childhood Experience: The Role of Communication</i>		
13.	Culture and Educational Variations in Maternal Response	pp. 181-192
14.	Self-Construction through Narrative Practicess: A Chinese and American Comparison of Early Socialization	pp. 193-219
15.	Parent-Child Communication Problems and the Perceived Inadequacies of Chinese Only Children	pp. 220-238
<b>Part V The Self in Everyday Life, Ritual and Healing</b>		
<i>Introduction- Cultural Narratives of Self: Strategies, Defenses, and Identities</i>		
16.	The Self in Daily Dramas	pp. 245-268
17.	Sambia Nose-Bleeding Rites and Male Proximity to Women	pp. 269-294
18.	Cross-cultural differences in the Self	pp. 295-308
19.	Clinical Paradigm Clashes	pp. 309-324
<b>Part VI Psychosocial Processes in History and Social Transformation</b>		
20.	The Psychosocial Experience of Immigration	pp. 329-344
21.	The Schooling of Women: Maternal Behavior and Child Environ	pp. 345-350
22.	Revitalization Movements	pp. 351-366
23.	Culture, Charisma, and Consciousness	pp. 365-377

<b>Casey et al</b>	<b>Introduction</b>	pp. 1-17
<b>Part I Sensing, Feeling and Knowing</b>		
1.	Time and Consciousness	pp. 17-29
2.	An Anthropology of Emotion	
3.	“Effort After Meaning” in Everyday Life	pp. 30-47
4.	Culture and Learning	pp. 48-71
5.	Dreaming in a Global World	pp. 72-89
6.	Memory and Modernity	pp. 103-120
<b>Part II Language and Communication</b>		
7.	Narrative Transformations	pp. 123-139
8.	Practical Logic and Autism	pp. 140-167
9.	Disability: Global Languages and Local Lives	pp. 168-182
<b>Part III Ambivalence, Alienation, and Belonging</b>		
10.	Identity	pp. 185-200
11.	Self and Other in an “Amodern” World	pp. 201-224
12.	Immigrant Identities and Emotion	pp. 225-240
13.	Emotive Institutions	pp. 241-254
14.	Urban Fear of Crime and Violence in Gated Communities	pp. 255-273
15.	Race: Local Biology and Culture in Mind	pp. 274-297
16.	Unbound Subjectivities and new Biomedical Technologies	pp. 298-314
17.	Globalization, Childhood, and Psychological Anthropology	pp. 315-336
18.	Drugs and Modernization	pp. 337-357
19.	Ritual Practice and its Discontents	pp. 358-373
20.	Spirit Possession	pp. 374-388
21.	Witchcraft and Sorcery	pp. 389-416
<b>Part IV Aggression, Dominance, and Violence</b>		
22.	Genocide and Modernity	pp. 419-435
23.	Corporate Violence	pp. 436-452
24.	Political Violence	pp. 453-468
25.	The Politics of Remorse	pp. 469-494
<b>Afterword</b>		<b>pp.495-499</b>

## **Biehl et al    Introduction: Rethinking Subjectivity**

### **Part I Transformations in Social Experience and Subjectivity**

1. The Vanishing Subject: the many faces of subjectivity
2. The Experiential Basis of Subjectivity: how individuals change in the context Of societal transformation
3. How the Body Speaks: Illness and the Lifeworld among the Urban Poor
4. Anthropological Observation and Self-Formation

### **Part II Political Subjects**

5. Hamlet in Purgatory
6. America's Transient Mental Illness: A Brief History of the Self-Traumatized Perpetuator
7. Violence and the Politics of Remorse: Lessons from South Africa

### **Part III Madness and Social Suffering**

8. The Subject of Mental Illness: Psychosis, Mad Violence, and Subjectivity in Indonesia
9. The "Other" of Culture in Psychosis: The Ex-Centricity of the Subject
10. Hoarders and Scrappers: Madness and the Social Person in the Interstices of the City

### **Part IV. Life Technologies**

11. Whole Bodies, Whole Persons? Cultural Studies, Pyschoanalysis, and Biology
12. The Medical Imaginary and the Biotechnical Embrace: Subjective Experiences in Clinical Scientists and Patients
13. "To be Freed from the Infirmities of (the) Age": Subjectivity, Life-Sustaining Treatment, and Palliative Medicine
14. A Life: Between Psychiatric Drugs and Social Abandonment

### **Epilogue: To Live with what would otherwise be unendurable: return(s) to subjectivities**

## Optional reading

Rethinking Psychological Anthropology second edition 1999. Philip K. Bock.

Psychological Anthropology Reconsidered 1996 John M. Ingham.

New Directions in Psychological Anthropology. 1993. Edited by Theodore Schwartz, Geoffrey M. White and Catherine A. Lutz.

Attachment Reconsidered: cultural perspectives on a western theory. Naomi Quinn and Jeannette Marie Mageo, Editors.

An Ethnography of Stress: the social determinants of health in Aboriginal Australia. Victoria K. Burbank.

Sleep Around the World: Anthropological Perspectives. Katie Glaskin. R. Chenhall, Editors.

Chinese Modernity and the Individual Psyche. Andrew Kipnis. Editor.

Objects of Time: How Things Shape Temporality. Kevin K. Birth.

The Anthropology of Ignorance: An ethnographic approach. Casey High et al. Editors.

Dreaming Culture: Meanings, Models and Power in U.S. American Dreams. Jean M. Mageo.

The Cultural Context of Emotion: Folk Psychology in West Sumatra. Karl Heider.

Becoming Muslim. Anne Mansson McGinty.

Psychotherapy, American Culture, and Social Policy. Immoral Individualism. Eliz. Throop.

Subjectivity and Suffering in American Culture. Steven M. Parish.

A Study of Personal Cultural Values: American, Japanese and Vietnamese. R. D'Andreade.

Finding Culture in Talk: A collection of Methods. Naomi Quinn

American Individualisms: Child rearing, social class in 3 neighborhoods. Adrie Kusserow.

When God talks back: understanding the American evangelical relationship with God. 2012. Tanya Luhrmann.

Of two minds: an anthropologist looks at American psychiatry. 2001. Tanya Luhrmann.

The Good Parsi: the postcolonial anxieties of an Indian colonial elite. 1996. T. Luhrmann.



Forget Colonialism: Sacrifice and the Art of Memory in Madagascar Jennifer Cole.

Sensory Biographies: Lives and Deaths among Nepal's Yolmo Buddhists Robert Desjarlais.

Culture and the Senses: Bodily ways of Knowing in an African Community Dathryn Geurts.

Becoming Sinners: Christianity and Moral Torment in a Papua New Guinea Society Joel Robbins.

Jesus in our Wombs: Embodying Modernity in a Mexican Convent Rebecca J. Lester

The Too-Good Wife: Alcohol, Codependency and the Politics of Nurturance in Postwar Japan Amy Borovoy.

When People Come First: Critical Studies in Global Health. 2013. Joao Biehl and A. Petryna.

Pharmaceutical Self: the global shaping of experience in the age of pharmacology. 2011 Janis H. Jenkins, Bryon J. Good and Joao Biehl.

A Reader in Medical Anthropology: Theoretical Trajectories, Emergent Realities. 2010. Bryon J. Good, Michael M. J. Fischer, Mary-Jo Delvecchio Good, editors.

In the Name of Humanity: The Government of Threat and Care. 2010. Illana Feldmen, Miriam Ticktin, Arun Agrawal and Joao Biehl.

Will to Live: AIDS Therapies and the Politics of Survival. 2009. Joao Biehl and Torben Eskerod.

Global Pharmaceuticals: Ethics, Markets, Practices. 2006. Adriana Petryna, Andrew Lakoff and Arthur Kleinmann.

Vita: Life in a Zone of Social Abandonment. 2005. Joao Biehl and Torben Eskerod.