ANTY 101H.03: Anthropology & The Human Experience

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ANTHROPOLOGY 101.03: ANTHROPOLOGY & THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE
Fall 2013
T/R * 2:10-3:30pm * North Urey Lecture Hall 101

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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.

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Grading Scale

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 may 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 may 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 may 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. 7, 2012.

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, 27.
- **Aug 29 (Thu)** - **VIDEO:** *The Nature of Anthropology* (30)

#### Week 2 - Evolution & Variation
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 4-5.
- **Sep 3 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Race: The Power of an Illusion* (57)

#### Week 3 - Primate Evolution & Humanity
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 6-7.
- **Sep 12 (Thu)**

#### Week 4 - Human Beginnings
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 8.
- **Sep 17 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Becoming Human, pt 1* (57)

#### Week 5 - Hominid Evolution & Homo Erectus
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 9.
- **Sep 24 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Becoming Human, pt 2* (57)

#### Week 6 - Homo Sapiens
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 10-11.
- **Oct 3 (Thu)**

#### Week 7 - The Neolithic & The Rise of Civilization
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 12-13.
- **Oct 8 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Settling Down* (55)

#### Week 8 - Culture
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 14-15.
- **Oct 15 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *A Man Called Bee* (40)

#### Week 9 - Subsistence & Economy
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 16-17.
- **Oct 24 (Thu)**

#### Week 10 - Political Systems & Stratification
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 18, 24.
- **Oct 31 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Kavelka Ongka’s Big Moka* (50)

#### Week 11 - Kinship, Descent, & Residence
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 22.
- **Nov 7 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Dadi’s Family* (50)

#### Week 12 - Marriage, Family, & Socialization
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 19, 21
- **Nov 12 (Thu)**

#### Week 13 - Gender, Age, & Common Interest
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 20, 23.
- **Nov 26 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Masai Women* (52)

#### Week 14 - Gender, Age, & Common Interest
- **Nov 27-Dec 1** - **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

#### Week 15 - Religion & Culture Change
- **Readings:** Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 25, 28
- **Dec 4 (Tue)** - **VIDEO:** *Zulu Zion* (52)

#### Finals Week
- **Dec 11 (Wed) 3:20 pm**
- **FIFTH EXAM**