

ANTHROPOLOGY 101: ANTHROPOLOGY & THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE

Fall 2017

M/W/F * 10:00-10:50am * Social Sciences 356

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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 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 Dec 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 Dec 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 Dec 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 Monday Dec. 12, 2016 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".**

ANTH 101: INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

Required Readings:

Ember, Carol, Melvin Ember, & Peter N. Peregrine. *Anthropology*. (15th ed.) Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson/Prentice Hall, 2010. (This is the same as the custom edition available used in the bookstore).
(Available at the campus bookstore and 2 copies are on reserve in the library)

Provisional Course Outline

WEEK 1 Introduction & Methods

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 1-2, 25.

WEEK 2 Evolution & Variation

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 3-4

Sep 4 **LABOR DAY (NO CLASS)**

WEEK 3 Primate Evolution & Humanity

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

Sep 22 (Fri) **FIRST EXAM**

WEEK 4 Human Beginnings

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

Sep 25 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Becoming Human, pt 1* (57)

WEEK 5 HOMO habilis & Homo erectus

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

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

WEEK 6 Homo sapiens

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 8-9.

Oct 13 (Fri) **SECOND EXAM**

WEEK 7 The Neolithic & the Rise of Civilization

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

Oct 16 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Settling Down* (55)

WEEK 8 Culture & Expression

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 12-14.

Oct 23 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Studying Culture* (40)

WEEK 9 Subsistence & Economy

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 15-16.

Nov 3 (Fri) **THIRD EXAM**

WEEK 10 Political Systems & Stratification

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 17, 22.

Nov 7 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Kawelka: Ongka's Big Moka* (52)

WEEK 11 Kinship & Descent, & Residence

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

Nov 10 (Fri) **VETERANS' DAY (NO CLASS)**

WEEK 12. Marriage & Family

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 19

Nov 20 (Mon) - VIDEO: *Masai Women* (52)

Nov 22-26 **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

WEEK 13 Marriage & Family (Cont)

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 19

Dec 1 (Fri) **FOURTH EXAM**

WEEK 14 Sex, Gender, Age, & Common Interest

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 18, 21.

WEEK 15 Religion

READINGS: Ember, Ember & Peregrine, Ch. 23, 27

FINALS WEEK

Dec 15 (Fri) – 8:00-10:00am **FIFTH EXAM**

