ANTHROPOLOGY 101H-80
Anthropology and the Human Experience

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Required Text: ANTHROPOLOGY 14th Ed. by Ember & Ember. Participation in the Online Community Action Period (March 11) is required. Lecture notes are NOT on blackboard or Moodle so attendance is necessary.

“... 45% of students show no significant improvement in the key measures of critical thinking, complex reasoning and writing by the end of their sophomore years.” We can change that number, let’s try.

Course Outline and Reading Assignments

Jan
11 Introduction
14 Video
16 Ch. 1 What is Anthropology?
18 Ch. 2 Research Methods in Anthropology
21 NO CLASS
23 Video
25 Jane Goodall
28 Log in for Action Period ($15 Online Fee); www.publicanthropology.net
28 Ch. 3 Genetics and Evolution
30 Ch. 3 Genetics and Evolution

Feb
1 Ch. 4 Human Variation and Adaptation
4 Ch. 4 Human Variation and Adaptation
6 Video
8 Ch. 5 Primates: Past and Present
11 Ch. 5 Primates: Past and Present
13 Ch. 6 The First Hominins
15 Ch. 6 The First Hominins
18 NO CLASS HOLIDAY
20 Ch. 7 The Origins of Culture and the Emergence of Homo
22 Ch. 7 The Origins of Culture....
25 1st MIDTERM
27 Ch.8 The Emergence of Homo sapiens

Mar
1 Ch.9 The Upper Paleolithic World
4 Ch.10 Origins of Food Production and Settled Life
6 Ch.10 Origins of Food Production...
8 Video
11 Begin Community Action Period (Required: 20 points possible)
11 Ch.11 Origins of Cities and States
13 Ch.12 Culture and Culture Change
15 Rites of Passage
18 Rites of Passage
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 Description
This class will provide an in-depth introduction to anthropology surveying the 4 subfields of biological anthropology, archaeology, social/cultural, and linguistic anthropology. We will cover prehistory to modern times. Primates, language, marriage, family, religion, and food production will be covered. This course is required for all anthropology majors and minors and fulfills the general education social science distribution requirement.