

CAMOSUN COLLEGE
School Of Arts & Science
Department

Anth 104 Introduction to Anthropology
Section 02 (First Nations Community Studies Programme)
Fall 2004

1. Instructor Information

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2. Intended Learning Outcomes: upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to

1. Discuss the trends in human evolution and the role of natural selection in the evolution of our species
2. Outline the relationship among culture, biology and environment in examining human health and disease.
3. Explain the importance of archaeological investigation to modern society.
4. Recognize and explain to others that our culture constructs our realities so that social inequality, for example, is a human invention.
5. Identify key features of language.
6. Use the World Wide Web to investigate anthropological issues
7. Debate issues of human biology, society and history using anthropological evidence
8. Critically evaluate evidence used to explain the human past and present
9. Address ethnocentrism as a barrier to understanding other cultures.
10. Acquire a tolerance and respect for cultural and biological diversity.

3. Required Materials

(a) Text:

Park, Michael Allen. 2003. *Introducing Anthropology: An Integrated Approach*. 2nd edition. California: Mayfield Publishing Company.

(b) Required readings (photocopied and on reserve in Camosun College Library)

Goodman, Alan H. and George J. Armelagos. 2001. Disease and Death at Dr. Dickson's Mounds. *In Applying Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*, 6th edition. Aaron Podolefsky and Peter J. Brown, eds. Pp. 83-87. California: Mayfield Publishing Company.

Kratz, Corinne A. 2003. Circumcision, Pluralism, and Dilemmas of Cultural Relativism. *In Applying Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*, 7th edition. Aaron Podolefsky and Peter J. Brown, eds. Pp. 351-362. McGraw Hill Companies.

Nelson, Richard. 1999. Understanding Eskimo Science. *In Anthropology: Annual Editions 99/00*. Elvio Angeloni, ed. Pp. 80-83. Dushkin/McGraw-Hill.

Owsley, Douglas W., Davor Strinovic, Mario Slaus, Dana Kollmann, and Malcolm L. Richardson. 2002. Recovery and Identification of Civilian Victims of War in Croatia. *In Biological Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*, 3rd edition. Michael Alan Park, ed. McGraw Hill Companies.

Sterk, Claire E. 2001. Tricking and Tripping: Fieldwork on Prostitution in the Era of AIDS. *In Applying Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*, 6th edition. Aaron Podolefsky and Peter J. Brown, eds. Pp. 128-135. California: Mayfield Publishing Company.

4. Basis of Student Assessment

(a) Assignments: (30%)

See attached coloured page.

(b) Exams (70%)

Exam 1: written during class time on October 6 (20%)

Exam 2: written during class time on November 8 (25%)

Exam 3: written during the College's examination period (25%)

Note: it is the student's responsibility to be available to write exams during the College's formal examination period following the last day of classes.

All lecture exams must be attempted in to successfully complete Anthropology 104. **Examinations must be written during the scheduled times.** In the case of illness, a **medical certificate is required in order to write a make-up exam.** If a student fails to come for a make-up at the scheduled time, the exam will not be further rescheduled unless a medical certificate is presented to the instructor. Unavailability of texts and pressure of other work does not constitute a reason for missing exams, quizzes, or assignments.

Please note: additional assignments **are not** available to students in order to up-grade poor marks from exams or assignments.

5. Grading System

The following percentage conversion to letter grade will be used:

A+ = 95 - 100%	B = 75 - 79%	D = 50 - 59%
A = 90 - 94%	B- = 70 - 74%	F = 0.0 - 49%
A- = 85 - 89%	C+ = 65 - 69%	I = See Calendar for Details
B+ = 80 - 85%	C = 60 - 64%	AUD = Audit

W = Official withdrawal has taken place

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College Calendar, Registrar's Office or the College web site at <http://www.camosun.bc.ca>

ACADEMIC CONDUCT POLICY

There is an Academic Conduct Policy. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, Registration, and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

[www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-](http://www.camosun.bc.ca/divisions/pres/policy/2-education/2-8)

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Class Sequence: Monday and Wednesday 10:00-11:20

Week 1 Sept 6-10

1. Labour Day. College Closed.
2. Registration and course outline

Week 2 Sept 13-17

1. The Beginnings of Modern Anthropology: A Story (Chapter 1)
2. Introduction to the Anthropological Approach (Chapter 2)
Video: *Anthropologists at Work*

Week 3 Sept 20-24

1. Worldview (Chapter 7 pp.145-152 and *Understanding Eskimo Science*)
2. Who Are We? Biological Anthropology and the Human Species (Chapters 5 and 7 pp 143-145)

Week 4 Sept 27-Oct 1

1. Human Sexuality (Chapter 6 to p. 122)
2. Anthropological Perspectives on Human Health and Disease (Chapter 13 "The Fore", pp.313-317)

Week 5 Oct 4-8

1. Applying Biological Anthropology (*Recovery and Identification of Civilian Victims of War in Croatia.*)
2. **Exam 1**

Week 6 Oct 11-15

1. **Thanksgiving Day. College Closed.**
2. The Evolution of Culture (Chapter 10, pp 229-240)

Week 7 Oct 18-22

1. The Nature of Culture (Chapter 7 and Circumcision, Pluralism, and Dilemmas of Cultural Relativism)
2. Studying Cultures (*Tricking and Tripping*)
Video: *How Cultures are Studied.*

Week 8 Oct 25-29

1. Adaptation and Survival (Chapter 8)
Video: *Subsistence Patterns*
2. Gender and Culture

Week 9 Nov 1-5

1. Marriage and Family (Chapter 9 to page 203)
2. Family and Kinship (Chapter 9 to page 203)

Week 10 Nov 8-12

1. **Exam 2**
2. Video: *Nushu*

Week 11 Nov 15-19

1. Human Communication (Chapter 11)
Video: *Language and Communication*
2. Sociolinguistics (Chapter 11 pp 263-end)

Week 12 Nov 22-26

1. Religion and Ritual (Chapter 12)
2. Our Material Culture: An Introduction to Archaeology (Chapter 10)

Week 13 Nov 29-Dec 3

1. Controlling Food Resources: the domestication of corn (Chapter 10 p. 240 - end and *Disease and Death at Dr. Dickson's Mounds*)
2. Case Study in Prehistory: Victoria

Week 14 Dec. 6-10

1. Anthropological Perspectives on Human Biological Variation (Chapter 14)
2. Anthropological Perspectives on Culture Change (Chapter 15)