

School of Arts & Science SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

ANTH 104-003
Introduction to Anthropology
2010 Winter

COURSE OUTLINE

1. Instructor Information

| (a) | Instructor: | Tara Tudor | | |
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| (b) | Office Hours: | Mon 10:00-11:00, Tues 2:00-3:00, or by appointment | | |
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

- 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 of and respect for cultural and biological diversity.

3. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

| computers, hungry dogs, work conflicts, running out of ink for printers are not valid excuses so please plan ahead. Exams (60%) Exam 1: 20% - Feb 1th Exam 2: 20% - Mar 3th Exam 3: 20% - Examination Period The exams consist of multiple choice, definitions, and short/long answer questions. Exams must be written during the scheduled times, unless a physician's medical certificate is presented to the instructor. The final exam will be written during the scheduled exam period after the last week of classes. Do not make travel plans until the exam timetable is posted as you will not be permitted to write the exam on a different date. | (a) Assign | Student Journal (10%). Students will keep a journal about the course readings. It will be submitted to the instructor periodically throughout the semester. Late Assignments: Students will NOT be permitted to submit late assignments in this course without a medical certificate. Crashing |
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4. Course Schedule

| WEEK | MONDAY | WEDNESDAY | READINGS |
|---------------------------|---|--|---|
| Week 1: Jan 4-8 | No Class | Introduction to Anthropology | Ch. 1 |
| Week 2: Jan 11-15 | Field Methods in Cultural Anth | Characteristics of Culture | Ch.8, and "Our Babies, Ourselves" |
| Week 3: Jan 18-22 | Field Methods in Archaeology | Garbology Exercise | "Yes Wonderful Things" |
| Week 4: Jan 25-29 | Human Evolution | Human Evolution Garbology Paper Due | Ch.4, and "Catching Fire" audio file |
| Week 5: Feb 1-5 | EXAM 1 | Living Primates | Ch. 3 |
| Week 6: Feb 8-12 | Subsistence & Exchange | Subsistence and Exchange | Ch. 11, and "The Worst Mistake in the History of the Human Race" |
| Week 7: Feb 15-19 | Modern Human Diversity | Video: Race: The Power of an Illusion | Ch.7, and 'Racial Preference for Whites" (background reading) |
| Week 8: Feb 22-26 | Social Identity, Personality and Gender | Video: Hip-Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhymes (Masculinity) | Ch. 10, Hip Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhymes (masculinity) |
| Week 9: Mar 1-5 | Sex, Family & Marriage | EXAM 2 | Ch. 12 |
| Week 10: Mar 8-12 | Culture Change | Video: Advertising Missionaries | Ch.16 |
| Week 11: Mar 15-19 | Language and Communication | Language and Communication | Ch. 9, and Language, Appearance and Reality |
| Week 12: Mar 22-26 | Methods of Grouping | Video: An Anthropological Introduction to You- Tube | Ch. 13 |
| Week 13: Mar 29- Apr 2 | Applied Anthropology | Applied Anthropology (Forensics) Guest Lecture | Reading TBA |
| Week 14: Apr 5-9 | Poster Presentations | Poster Presentations | No Readings |

5. Required Materials

(a) Text

Haviland, W., Harald Prins, Dana Walrath, and Bunny McBride. 2007 The Essence of Anthropology. Belmont, CA: Thomson Wadsworth.

(b) Additional Readings

Adelman, Larry (2003) Racial Preferences for Whites: The Houses that Racism Built. San Francisco Chronicle, Sunday June 29. http://www.pbs.org/race/000_About/002_04-background-03-11.htm.

Diamond, Jared (1987) "The Worst Mistake In The History Of The Human Race" Discover, May.

http://www.environnement.ens.fr/perso/claessen/agriculture/mistake_jared_diamond.pdf

Hurt, Byron (2007). Hip Hop: Beyond Beats and Rhythm. The Issues, masculinity. PBS. http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/hiphop/masculinity.htm.

Lutz, William (2002). Language, Appearance and Reality: Doublespeak in 1984. In Elvio Angeloni (Ed.), Annual Editions: Anthropology 03/04. New York: McGraw-Hill. http://www.faulkner.edu/academics/artsandsciences/socialandbehavioral/readings/an/doublespeak.asp.

Small, Meredith (2003). Our Babies, Ourselves. In Arron Podolefsky and Peter Brown (Eds.), *Applying Cultural Anthropology: An Introductory Reader*. New York: McGraw-Hill. http://home.comcast.net/~lcpotts/OurBabies.pdf.

Wrangham, Richard (2009). Catching Fire. The Current, July 8, CBC Radio. http://www.cbc.ca/thecurrent/2009/200907/20090708.html.

6. Grading System

(No changes are to be made to this section, unless the Approved Course Description has been forwarded through EDCO for approval.)

Standard Grading System (GPA)

| Percentage | Grade | Description | Grade Point Equivalency |
|------------|-------|---|-------------------------|
| 90-100 | A+ | | 9 |
| 85-89 | Α | | 8 |
| 80-84 | A- | | 7 |
| 77-79 | B+ | | 6 |
| 73-76 | В | | 5 |
| 70-72 | B- | | 4 |
| 65-69 | C+ | | 3 |
| 60-64 | С | | 2 |
| 50-59 | D | Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite. | 1 |
| 0-49 | F | Minimum level has not been achieved. | 0 |

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

| Temporary Grade | Description |
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| 1 | Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family. |
| IP | In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.) |
| cw | Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement. |

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

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, at Student Services or the College web site at camosun.ca

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services and on the College web site in the Policy Section.