

ANTH G100: INTRODUCTION TO CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Item	Value
Top Code	220200 - Anthropology
Units	3 Total Units
Hours	54 Total Hours (Lecture Hours 54)
Total Outside of Class Hours	0
Course Credit Status	Credit: Degree Applicable (D)
Material Fee	No
Basic Skills	Not Basic Skills (N)
Repeatable	No
Grading Policy	Standard Letter (S), • Pass/No Pass (B)
Local General Education (GE)	• GWC Soc, Pol, Econ (GD)
Diversity Requirement (GCD)	Yes
California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC)	• Cal-GETC 4 Social & Behavioral Sciences (4) • Cal-GETC 4A Anthropology (4A)
Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC)	• IGETC 4 Social&Behavioral Sci (4) • IGETC 4A Anthropology (4A)
California State University General Education Breadth (CSU GE-Breadth)	• CSU D1 Anthropology (D1)

Course Description

This course examines the theories, methods, and applications of anthropological inquiry with an emphasis on cultural and social models. Topics including language, foodways, economies, politics, race, gender, kinship, religion, art, media, and medicine are evaluated within the contexts of globalization, transnationalism, and the environment. This course explores these topics through historical, contemporary, and cross-cultural examples of various societies from around the world. ADVISORY: ENGL C1000. Transfer Credit: CSU; UC. C-ID: ANTH 120. C-ID: ANTH 120.

Course Level Student Learning Outcome(s)

1. Course Outcomes
2. Appraise the educational value of the holistic nature of anthropological inquiry.
3. Assess the importance of symbolism in cultural identity.
4. Examine the challenges and benefits of fieldwork in anthropology.
5. Debate the hypothesis stating language shapes thought.

Course Objectives

- 1. Describe and distinguish between characteristics that are shared among all cultures.
- 2. Identify the various anthropological theories and methods used to analyze and interpret differences in cultural norms and values among societies around the world.

- 3. Describe the ethical obligations and anthropological techniques used to gather and interpret ethnographic data.
- 4. Identify the major subsistence strategies, and describe the various economic systems related to the production, exchange, and consumption of resources.
- 5. Describe the complex relationships between sex, gender, marriage, kinship systems, sociopolitical organization, and environmental factors.
- 6. Describe the different types of political organization and explain how they relate to differences in subsistence strategies, social organization, and kinship systems.
- 7. Describe the characteristics of religion, spirituality, art, and personal expression.
- 8. Contextualize class, caste, race, and ethnicity in terms of social stratification, social inequality, historic forces of colonialism, and the sociocultural forces of globalization in the modern era.

Lecture Content

INTRODUCTION History of Anthropology Specialization in Anthropology Characteristics of Culture FIELDWORK METHODS Theoretical Perspectives Anthropological Techniques Ethical Considerations Analyzing and Interpreting Ethnographic Fieldwork SUBSISTENCE AND RESOURCE ALLOCATION Subsistence Strategies Economic Systems SOCIAL ORGANIZATION Sex and Gender Marriage and Family Kinship Systems Types of Social Organization POLITICAL ORGANIZATION Types of Political Organization Social Stratification: Class, Caste, Race, and Ethnicity IDEOLOGY Communication Religion Art Creative Expression CULTURE CHANGE Colonialism Globalization Power Dynamics and Systemic Inequality

Method(s) of Instruction

- Lecture (02)
- DE Live Online Lecture (02S)
- DE Online Lecture (02X)

Reading Assignments

A. Required Readings such as: Weekly reading assignments will be made in the required textbook. These must be completed simultaneously with the lecture material in order to succeed in the class.

Writing Assignments

Several essay examinations require both the identification of terms and their application and synthesis in the explanation of the occurrence of certain cultural behavior.

Out-of-class Assignments

Weekly reading assignments.

Demonstration of Critical Thinking

1. Recognition of variability of cultural behavior. 2. Application of models of human behavior. 3. Analysis and Synthesis: Materialistic and functional interrelationships between subsistence and other patterns of cultural behavior.

Required Writing, Problem Solving, Skills Demonstration

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Eligible Disciplines

Anthropology: Masters degree in anthropology or archaeology OR bachelors degree in either of the above AND masters degree in sociology, biological sciences, forensic sciences, genetics or paleontology OR the equivalent. Masters degree required.

Textbooks Resources

1. Required Nanda, S., and Warms, R.L.. CULTURE COUNTS: A Concise Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, 3rd ed. Cengage Learning, 2015 2. Required Schultz, E.A., and Lavenda, R.H.. CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY: A Perspective on the Human Condition, 9th ed. Oxford University Press, Inc., 2013 3. Required Haviland, W.A., Prins, H.E.L., McBride, B. Walrath D.. CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY: The Human Challenge, 13th ed. Cengage Learning, 2011 4. Required Kottak, C.P.. CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY: Appreciating Cultural Diversity, 16th ed. McGraw Hill Higher Education, 2016

Other Resources

1. Syllabus