

Spring 2018 Anthropology Course Listings & Descriptions

ANTH 1010.001 – Introduction to Anthropology (13518)

MoWeFr 10:00AM – 10:50AM Life A106 Staff

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Internet Course J. Johnson

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ANTH 1150.810 – World Cultures Through Film (13521)

Internet Course J. Carrington

World Cultures Through Film. 3 hours. Through the use of ethnographic and documentary film, as well as lecture/discussion, this course illustrates the life ways, values and beliefs of human societies throughout the world. This survey includes examples from native North America, Latin America, Australia, Southeast Asia, Africa, East Asia, Melanesia, Polynesia, modern North America and Europe. Satisfies the Cross-cultural, Diversity and Global Studies requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

ANTH 2200.001 – Gender In Cross-Cultural Perspective (13584)

MoWeFr 12:00PM – 12:50PM ENV 115 J. Johnson

Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective. 3 hours. The construction of both masculinity and femininity in cross-cultural contexts. Also central are the issues and debates important within the last three decades of feminist anthropology that speak to the questions posed by widespread gender asymmetry and yet the abundant cultural diversity in the expression of gender ideology, roles and relations worldwide. Finally, the impact of the globalizing trends of capitalism and neo-colonialism will be addressed in terms of its impact of changing gender roles both in the first and third worlds. Satisfies the Cross-cultural, Diversity and Global Studies requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

ANTH 2300.002 – Culture & Society (13585)

TuTh 12:30PM – 1:50PM Gate 132 A. Dunstan

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ANTH 2700.002 – Introduction to Physical Anthropology (13522)

MoWe

1:30PM – 2:50PM

BLB 090

H. Gill-King

*Requires separately scheduled lab hours. Introduction to Physical Anthropology. 3 hours *(3:2). Study of human biological evolution from primate beginnings to the present era. Emphasis is placed upon anatomical and physiological variations and their adaptive significance. (Same as BIOL 2700.) May be used to satisfy a portion of the Natural Sciences requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

Introduction to Physical Anthropology Lab Hours

**Students should enroll in the lab section of this course once they have registered for the lecture.*

ANTH 3101.810 – American Culture & Society (13830)

Internet Course

B. Davenport

American Culture and Society. 3 hours. Basic concepts and theoretical models to approach the complexities embedded in the concepts of "culture," "diversity," and "values" as they are exercised in the American context. The diversity of cultural and historical processes from which these values emerged, and how they have been transformed and are expressed in contemporary times through different themes and media such as family, ethnic or cultural diversity, consumerism, entertainment, and technology.

ANTH 3120.001 – Indian Cultures of the Southwest (14398)

TuTh

3:30PM – 4:50PM

Chem 106

E. Oliver

Indian Cultures of the Southwest. 3 hours. The culture history of the Native American populations in the Greater Southwest from prehistoric times to the present, with an emphasis on current cultural, political, and environmental issues. Prehistoric settlement, culture contact, colonialism, cultural identity, intertribal politics, economic development, health issues,

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indigenous revitalization and sovereignty movements, cultural resource management, and tourism. Particular attention will be given to the influences of Spanish and American political, military, and economic forces, and to the relationship between the Southwest Indians and anthropologists.

ANTH 3140.001 – Latinos in the U.S. (13767)

TuTh 12:30PM – 1:50PM BLB 005 M. Nuñez-Janes

Latinos in the U.S. 3 hours. Uses identity and resistance theories to explore the various constructions of Latin@ race, ethnicity, and identity, and the social and political implications of being Latin@ today. Explores the ways in which Latinas have been excluded from the national imaginary while maintaining and transforming their own cultural identity. We will see how this process of marginalization has deeply changed the racial and cultural landscape for Latinas and non-Latinas.

ANTH 3300.810 – Peoples & Cultures of the Pacific (14020)

Internet Course L. Henry

Peoples and Cultures of the Pacific. 3 hours. Survey of the diverse cultures and traditions of the Pacific, each with its own unique style and history covering thousands of years. The course explores geography, politics, history, ethnography and economics of many cultural groups in the region, from the discovery of these islands to the present.

ANTH 4011.001 – Anthropological Field Methods (13523)

TuTh 2:00PM – 3:20PM Wh 214 E. Oliver

*Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1010 or 2250 or consent of department.

Anthropological Field Methods. 3 hours. Course concentrates on the field methods of anthropology, in particular, the various data gathering techniques, methods of analysis and field techniques of "participant observation." In addition to acquiring the skills of the participant observation method, the student also gains an increased awareness, understanding and appreciation of the problems associated with conducting research in cultures other than their own. Special attention is devoted to the interactional aspects of dealing with people from a variety of cultural backgrounds.

ANTH 4021.001 – Development of Anthropological Thought (13667)

MoWeFr 11:00AM – 11:50AM Wh 113 B. Davenport

*Prerequisite(s): ANTH 2300 or consent of department.

Development of Anthropological Thought. 3 hours. Overview of the history of Anthropological thought from its origins to the contemporary schools of Anthropology, with emphasis on the scientific, intellectual and sociopolitical causes and consequences of changes in major conceptual orientations to man and culture.

ANTH 4021.002 – Development of Anthropological Thought (14397)

MoWeFr 1:00PM – 1:50PM Wh 317 B. Davenport

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ANTH 4210 – Culture and Human Sexuality

TuTh 3:30PM – 4:50PM Wh 216 D. Cox

Culture and Human Sexuality. 3 hours. Will examine sexualities cross-culturally in their specific historical, social, religious and political contexts to explore how that seemingly most natural aspect of humanity -sex- is structured and experienced very differently across the globe. A primary focus is how sex and sexuality are discursively constructed as a matter of utmost privacy, yet are paradoxically a matter of deep public concern. Will examine the intimate connection between sex and the nation by exploring topics such as family planning policies, anti-sodomy laws, and laws against interracial marriages.

ANTH 4220.001 – Anthropology in Public Health (16559)

We 2:00PM – 4:50 PM Wh 216 D. Henry

Anthropology in Public Health. 3 hours. Introduction to the contributions of anthropology in public health. Sociocultural perspective on the fundamentals of public health, including but not limited to international health, domestic health, epidemiology, infectious disease, child survival, women's and men's health, and health policy.

ANTH 4230.001 – Psychological Anthropology (15189)

TuTh 11:00AM – 12:20PM Wh 115 B. Davenport

Psychological Anthropology. 3 hours. This course explores the relationship between the self, culture and society. It compares concepts of self, socialization and behavior in anthropological and psychological theory and research, universal concepts of human nature, and examines processes of interpretation by individuals in diverse cultural and social groups over the life span. Sociocultural contexts of alternative states of consciousness and mental illness are also compared.

ANTH 4400.810 – Environmental Anthropology (17100)

Internet Course

A. Dunstan

Environmental Anthropology. 3 hours. Focuses on major environmental questions, theories, problems, issues and possible solutions illustrated by case studies from different parts of the world. Examines environmental issues pertaining to land, sea and natural resources; food production systems; deforestation; population problems; poverty and environmental justice; natural hazards and risks; resource conflicts and warfare; over-fishing; economic development; mineral and oil extraction; landscapes; and biodiversity conservation.

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ANTH 4701.002 is now listed as **ANTH 4230.001**

*Please see the above listing.

ANTH 4701.010 – Contemporary Middle East: Society, Culture, and Politics (13957)

Th 6:30PM – 9:20PM Chem 352 M. Sadri

Peoples & Cultures of the Middle East. 3 hours. Course combines contemporary political discussions with the historic processes that have shaped the Middle East from the implementation of hydraulic empires, Ottoman rule, and the effects of WWI and WWII on the region. The course also explores movies and novels produced and written from a Middle Eastern perspective.

ANTH 4701.027 – Community Engagement Through Action Research (14967)

We 2:00PM – 4:50PM Lang 223 M. Nuñez-Janes

Community Engagement Through Action Research. 3 hours. Action research is considered both a critique and an alternative way of conducting research. It challenges the separation of expert/scholarly knowledge from non-expert/community knowledge and proposes collaborative frameworks for doing research. Universities have recently made community engagement an important part of their mission as they are challenged to justify their relevance to the public. Anthropologists have engaged the community for some time and in multiple ways by insisting on the relevance of local knowledge. As a result some anthropologists envision their research as applied, public, engaged, or activist. This class is focused on doing anthropology by engaging the community as experts and active collaborators. You will learn about various approaches to action research and do action research. The course requires a commitment to think about and do anthropology differently. As action researchers, we will engage in hands-on learning and research to create social change attempting to democratize the process of research and the relationships between the university and community.

ANTH 4701.031 – Anthropology of NGO's (16560)

We 6:00PM – 8:50PM BLB 060 J. Johnson

This course utilizes an anthropological lens to understand non-governmental organizations. Students will become conversant with NGO development in Western and non-Western spheres, and will learn the significance of those narratives within transnational, neoliberal contexts. Focusing on sectors of human rights, humanitarian aid, environmental activism, and cultural heritage, students will gain familiarity with the organizational culture of NGOs, and will explore the diverse and sometimes divergent principles, policies, and practices guiding global activism. Referencing ethnographic case studies, students will also explore the other side of the NGO equation, thinking critically about NGO interface with local communities, economies and governing bodies in order to address questions of impact, accountability, and efficacy.

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ANTH 4701.036 – Surveying the Self(ie): Anthropology and Social Media Culture (17099)
MW 2:00PM – 3:20PM Lang 315 M. Nelson

The release of the internet in the late twentieth century promised us the freedom to travel the world from the comfort of our own homes. The innovation of social media sites like Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram were meant to put us into close communication with those distant from us either because of years or miles. Yet, it is worth considering whether this new virtual reality, where at the tips of our fingers news breaks alongside relationships, is not at all a freedom but a prison. Where we obsess over how many “likes” our selfie gets, or whether or not to comment on a post by our ex-partner. This seminar asks, how are we disciplined in managing our profiles in the world of social media? Together as a class we will create a persona and delve into the waters of Facebook, Farmersonly.com, and other platforms in order to discuss anthropologically how we navigate our sociality, sexuality, politics, morality, and ultimately our SELVES in the virtual world.

ANTH 4751.001 – The Supernatural: Magic, Witchcraft and Religion (14964)
TuTh 9:30AM-10:50AM Th 121 A. Dunstan

*Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1010 or consent of department.

Magic, Witchcraft and Religion. 3 hours. Focuses on comparing religious and supernatural belief across cultures, through the perspective of anthropology. The origin, development and function of religious in human societies, as well as classic anthropological concerns about the role of myth, ritual, ethics, magic and shamanism in society. By comparing what is "religious" in many cultures, students will develop a better understanding of the relationship between human beings, religion, and their own religious beliefs.

External Courses with Relevance to Anthropology Majors

ARCH 2800.001 – Archeological Science (8942)
TuTh 11:00AM – 12:20PM Sage 116 J. Byers

Archaeological Science. 3 hours. (3;2) Human prehistory and methods of scientific investigation; emphasizes archaeological cultures from early hominid sites in East Africa to entry of peoples into the New World. Course stresses methods of interdisciplinary research, including geology, paleoenvironmental reconstruction, paleo-diet and artifact-faunal analysis. Labs employ artifacts and bones for study. May be used to satisfy a portion of the Natural Sciences requirement of the University Core Curriculum.

Archeological Science Lab Hours

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ARCH 3650.001 – Origins of Civilization (10739)
MoWe 11:00AM – 12:20PM ENV 241 R. Ferring

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*Prerequisite(s): ANTH 1010 or 2300 or ARCH 2800, or consent of department. Origins of Civilization. 3 hours. Comparative study of the cultural, technological and ecological patterns of change leading to urban civilizations. Surveys the archaeological evidence for the domestication of plants and animals, and the emergence of villages. The art, architecture, economic and sociopolitical characteristics of early civilizations in the Near East and Mesoamerica are examined.

MUET - Ethnomusicology

Students may also explore available Ethnomusicology courses for anthropology elective credit hours available under course subject header **MUET**.