

COMING UP!



Events

10/28 - Pop In With Elsitia Dean in Lucky's Lounge

10/28 - Movie Night in Lucky's Lounge

11/1 - Guest Speaker Kerri Brown "Food Sovereignty and the Role of Cooperatives in the Brazilian Amazon"

11/4 - Fulbright Information Session (Virtual)

Annual Student Vs. Faculty Kickball Game TBD!

Registrar

11/24 - 26: Thanksgiving Break - University Closed (No Classes)

12/8 - Last regular class meeting

12/9 - Reading Day (No Classes)

12/10 - 16 - Final Exams

12/21 - Grades posted

KUDOS CORNER!

Congratulations to the newly elected UASA Officers!



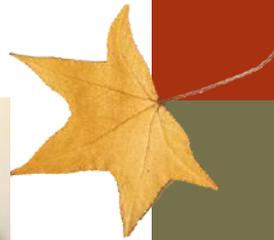
Anneka Eastman - Treasure Ellen Christensen - President



Mia Rodgers - Secretary



Ally Rehmani - Outreach



A big congratulations to Professor Nelson, winner of UCAN Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award! This award is for individuals who are recognized by their colleagues for their outstanding contributions to students, their team, and the university. We all know this award is well deserved!



Congratulations to Dr. Re Cruz, winner of the Lupe Murchison Foundation Autism Research Endowment Fund! This Fund is geared toward innovative work involving transformative advances in brain research and care that impact folks who experience autism. Woohoo Dr. Re Cruz!



Are you an Anthropology Major with a story or idea?

Would you like to be a guest columnist?

Would you like your artwork to be featured in the newsletter?

Email ANTH-Ambassador@unt.edu with suggestions and contributions for future



**A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO
OUR DEPARTMENT FOR
RECEIVING THE OUTSTANDING
DEPARTMENT NOMINATION! IT
IS AN HONOR TO HAVE A
DEDICATED STAFF AND FACULTY
WHO WORK HARD FOR THEIR
STUDENTS!**





Huriel Perez

Hi, everyone!

My name is Huriel Perez, but you may call me Uri if that is easier for you folks, and I am one of two of your student ambassadors. I am as excited as I am nervous about being your student ambassador, so please let's walk through this journey together. I am currently wrapping up my senior year with a B.A. in Anthropology and a minor in Urban Policy and Planning, but do not worry, I hope for the opportunity to come back as a graduate student. In my free time, I find myself working out, hitting trails around the DFW area, learning how to bartend, and working on becoming a decent smash brothers player. As an older student who has been working towards my degree for many years, I deeply understand how daunting and intimidating attending and continuing college can be, and that is why Lucille and I are here to offer support and uncover any questions you may have. I look forward to getting to know you all. See y'all at Lefty's lounge!



Lucille Gradillas

Hello friends!

My name is Lucille Gradillas and I am one of your ambassadors for this school year. I'm starting my junior year here at UNT and am very enthusiastic to continue my degree in anthropology. I hail from the puro party land of San Antonio, Texas, and am always happy to go out and meet new people. I love hanging out under the sun and do my best when I'm outdoors. I hope to further and facilitate relationships as your ambassador. Feel free to come up to me to chat anytime at Lefty's.





Hi everyone!

My name is Paola and I am your student-faculty liaison. I am a senior majoring in anthropology with a certificate in sustainability. As your student-faculty liaison, I serve as a bridge for students to be able to communicate issues or ideas to the faculty and staff of the department.

My path to higher education has been anything but traditional. I didn't go to college immediately after graduating high school because I was undocumented and I didn't think college was an option for me because I couldn't apply for FAFSA, grants, or scholarships (that was several years before DACA had been passed). I was the youngest of four kids and none of my siblings had been able to go to college for the same reason.

I first started college at 22 after becoming a U.S. resident and then dropped out after only 3 semesters. I was overwhelmed, working full-time with a full class load, and honestly being too hard on myself. I felt like since I was the first in my family to go to college I had to do it right. I went in as a biology major and had plans to do something that would pay well. I realized I hated it, switched majors a few times, then eventually just thought I wasn't cut out for college. I worked retail service jobs for a few years and pursued different ideas of what I thought a successful life should be.

Life shifted again after the Covid Pandemic in 2020. I was living on the West Coast and miserable in my tiny apartment, living off of unemployment, and not adjusting well to trying to social distance in a city of almost 4 million people. So I did what I swore I would never do and moved back to the small town, where I grew up, in Texas near my family and once again felt lost.

I made the decision to go back to college because honestly I felt like it could give me something to look forward to and might help me feel like I wasn't so purposeless. In the fall of 2021, I started my Junior year as a transfer student in the anthropology department. I never expected to feel so welcomed and like that was where I truly belonged. Everyone in the department from students to faculty has made me feel validated and like I should be doing this. I didn't expect to gain lifelong friends, or to travel to DC with my internship in the National Park Service but I did that within my first year back in school. I have this department and all of the wonderful people I've met along the way to thank for helping find my purpose.

LIAISON INTRODUCTION

HAVE QUESTIONS OR WANT TO CHAT? YOU CAN EMAIL ME AT ANTH-LIAISON@UNT.EDU

PROFESSOR PROFILE: DR. NARAHARA



What have you found to be the biggest surprise here at UNT?

I was surprised by the composition of the classes! It is so interesting because Anthropology has the capacity to dialogue with many disciplines, that having varying majors in a classroom is a nice surprise. And the food! It is so diverse and so good, and to have a vegan dining hall, how cool! This was one of my biggest concerns moving here, because it is really easy to eat bad in the US.

What is a current project that you are working on?

I am working on writing the history of my great grandmother and I'm writing and researching Anthropology produced by Black and Indigenous Anthropologists. I am also criticizing an idea of Anthropology who would go to "exotic" places to study the "Other". What we are seeing in Brazil is that those who use to be "objects" of the discipline are now becoming Anthropologists themselves! And they are usually studying their own people, their own Black and Indigenous communities,

How is your first-time teaching experience in the United States?

I think I am adapting. In Brazil, we do not have all of this diversity. Students do not demand a practical, hands on perspective. The type of classes we have are more lectures. A big difference that is powerful is that the classes here are interdisciplinary, while in Brazil it is pure theory. I was always bringing a practical perspective to my classes, but students do not demand it in Brazil. Here, students ask "What is the solution?". Also here in the States, we have students that really have a good perspective on Anthropology, but also students that do not, and you need to attend to that. It requires a more creative approach to balance this in the classroom. We do not have this in Brazil at all, as more traditional departments do not have a mix of students. Having a mix of students brings different questions. We are building something together!

What is a current book or author you are reading?

Beyond Anthropology: Society and The Other - by Bernard McGrance

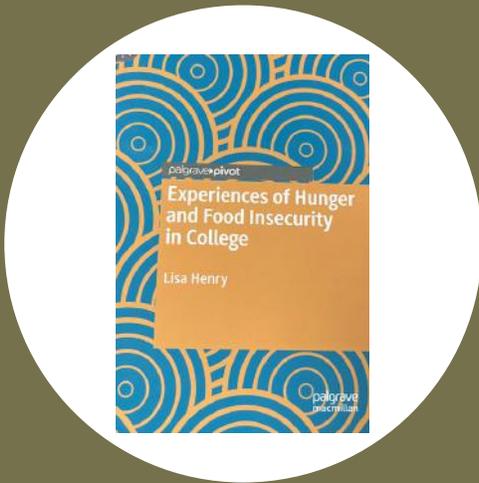
What is some advice that you have for our undergraduate and graduate students?

Keep your mind open and network with all types of people! Keep your mind open about ideas, about moving to other places, and you know, try to be nice to people, you never know what will come from a connection. Also, take advantage of the diversity found on our campus! This amount of cultural diversity is not found worldwide. Being at UNT is like travelling without moving!



WHAT'S INSIDE LUCKY'S LIBRARY?

Featured: Ancient Civilizations The Near East and Mesoamerica – C.C. Lamberg-Karlovsky & Jeremy A. Sabloff



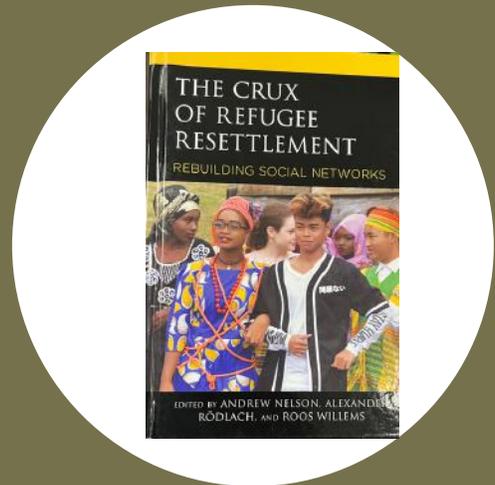
Experiences of Hunger and Food Insecurity in College
– Lisa Henry

Theory:

- Public Health – Turnock
- The Elementary Forms of Religious Life
- The History of Sexuality – Foucault
- Discourse on the Origin of Inequality – Rousseauq
- The Challenge of Human Diversity – Middleton
- A Possible Anthropology Methods for Uneasy Times – Pandian
- The Mismeasure of Man – Stephen
- Man's Place in Nature and Other Essays – Thomas Henry Huxley

Ethnography:

- Hunza 15 Secrets of the World's Healthiest and Oldest Living People – Dr. Jay M. Hoffman
- Aging, the Individual, and Society – Barrow
- Environmental Anthropology – Townsend
- The Making of Psychological Anthropology – Spindler
- Women's Worlds The McGraw-Hill Anthology of Women's Writing
- The Indians of Texas – W. W. Newcombs Jr.
- The Sanctified Church – Zora Neale Hurston
- On the Subject of "Java" - Pemberton
- Anthropology A Global Perspective – Scupin Decorse



The Crux of Refugee Resettlement Rebuilding Social Networks – Andrew Nelson, Alexander Rodlach, Roos Willems



Fiction:

American Gods – Gaiman

Same Kind of Different As Me – Ron Hall & Denver Moore

The Coffee Trader – David Liss

The Kite Runner – Khaled Hosseini

To Kill a Mockingbird – Harper Lee

Educated – Tara Westover

Circe – Madeline Miller

Nothing to See Here – Kevin Wilson

Night Circus – Erin Morgenstern

Shuggie Bain – Douglas Stuart

Reasons to Stay Alive – Matt Haig

The Anthropocene Review – John Green

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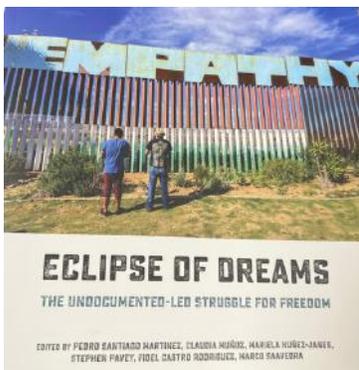
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**Eclipse of Dreams The Undocumented-Led
Struggle For Freedom – Pedro Santiago
Martinez, Claudia Munoz, Mariela Nunez-
Janes, Stephen Pavey, Fidel Castro
Rodriguez, Marco Saavedra**



SEMESTER IN REVIEW SO FAR



HAVE PICTURES OF YOU AT ANTH EVENTS? SEND THEM IN TO ANTH-AMBASSADOR@MY.UNT





ANTHROPOLOGY SURVEY

We'd like to gain a better understanding of what our students want out of their Anthropology degree! Please submit your answers to these three questions to ANTH-Ambassador@my.unt.

HELP US HELP YOU! EMAIL BY 10/28

1. What are you or your peers struggling with when it comes to feeling prepared to find a job?
2. What skills do you possess that you want to put to use in the workforce?
3. How can the Career Center serve you or the students you work with?

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CAREER CORNER

Check out the Career Centers monthly newsletter!





POP IN

Have questions about internships and jobs, but don't know who to talk to?

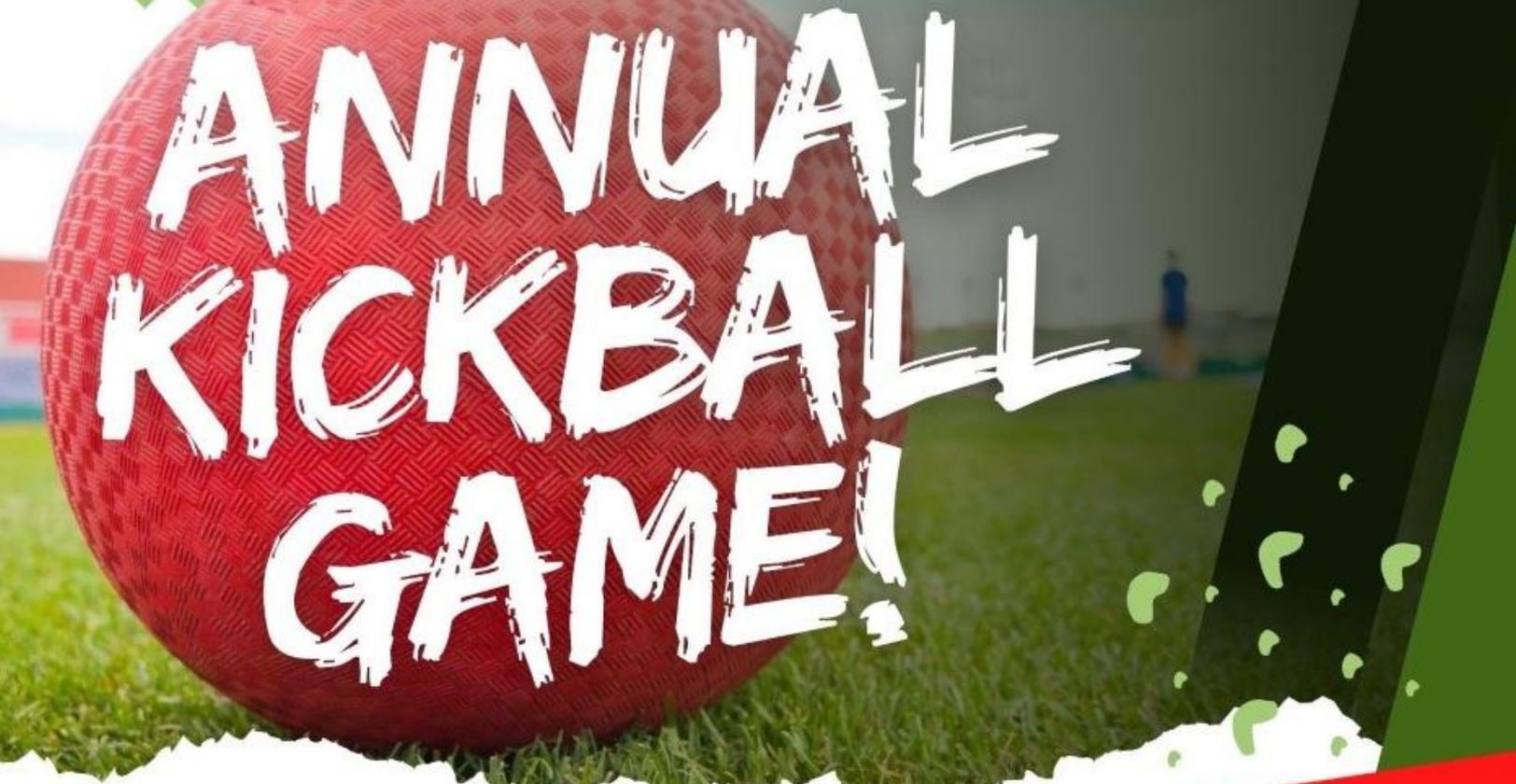


Pop in to chat with our career coaches and explore what resources are available to you!

Students can also enjoy some popcorn!

LEFTY'S LOUNGE 119

FRIDAY 10/28 FROM 1:30-2:30 PM



ANNUAL KICKBALL GAME!

POSTPONED

DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

**WILL THE SOCIETY WINNING
STREAK BE BROKEN?**

~~MONDAY, OCT 24, 6 PM~~
THE FIELD ACROSS FROM
THE ATHLETIC FACILITY
PIZZA WILL BE PROVIDED!
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