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ANTH 203
INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL AND CULTURAL
ANTHROPOLOGY

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W 6:00 – 8:50 P.M.
EDC 179

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will introduce students to social and cultural anthropology. Drawing from case studies in the course text and from other sources, we will explore the fundamental issues and approaches within social and cultural anthropology. Topics of interest include the structure and function of society, and essential institutions (e.g., marriage, religion, economy, politics, and gender) within societies. Emphasis will be placed on both the diversity of human culture and the commonalities that are found across human cultures. The course will largely follow a lecture format, though films will supplement lecture materials.

REQUIRED TEXT

James Peoples and Garrick Bailey, 2012, *Humanity: An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology*. Stamford, CT: Cengage Learning, 10th Edition.

ASSIGNMENTS AND EVALUATIONS

Your final grade will be based upon your marks on two mid-term examinations and a final examination. I give the values for each of the above below. I will draw questions for the exams from the text for the course, the films you will see, and the lectures you will hear.

1 st Mid-term exam	33%	October 8th
2 nd Mid-term exam	33%	November 12th
Final exam	34%	to be scheduled by registrar



The grading system will use the following equivalencies:

A+	100-94.9%	A	94.8-89.9%	A-	89.8-84.9%	B+	84.8-79.9%
B	79.8-74.9%	B-	74.8-70.9%	C+	70.8-66.9%	C	66.8-62.9%
C-	62.8-58.9%	D+	58.8-54.9%	D	54.8-49.9%	F	49.8% and less

Exam re-writes will not be offered (except for cases with highly unusual circumstances).

Course appeals (grades, missed exams) have to be made in writing.

The exams

The 1st mid-term will cover the material from the first 6 chapters of the text and their associated lectures. The 2nd mid-term will cover the material from Chapters 7-11 and its associated lectures. The final will cover material from Chapters 12-17 in the text and its associated lectures. Note that the registrar will schedule the time and place for the final exam. As to format, the exams will consist of multiple choice questions, mix and match questions, and true or false questions

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who requires academic accommodation and has not registered with the Student Accessibility Service (SAS), please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the SAS are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION

In the event that the classroom should need to be evacuated due to an emergency please note that the primary assembly point shall be the Scurfield Hall Atrium and the secondary assembly point shall be the Professional Faculties Food Court.

PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING

Plagiarism: "to steal and pass off the ideas or words of another as one's own" (Webster's). Plagiarism will not be tolerated and will automatically result in a failing grade for the submission. Any student caught plagiarizing will also be subject to additional University sanctions. Students are expected to be familiar with the Anthropology Departments policy on intellectual honesty available at <https://www.anth.ucalgary.ca/home/links/intellectual-honesty-guidelines>

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