# ANTH 203 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

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LEC 2, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:00-9:50 am. EEEL 161

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#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course will introduce students to social and cultural anthropology. Drawing from case studies in the course textbook and from other sources, we will explore the fundamental issues and approaches within social and cultural anthropology. Topics of interest include the basic social institutions (e.g., kinship, religion, economy, and politics), and the interactions between societies. The course will emphasize the diversity of human culture, the commonalities and differences across human cultures, and the continuing relevance of anthropological analysis in a globalizing world.

# **COURSE FORMAT**

The course will largely follow a lecture format supplemented by films. Powerpoint slides of the lectures in PDF format will be posted on Desire2Learn (D2L) after the lecture for back-up.

## **REQUIRED TEXT**

Eller, Jack David. 2013. *Cultural Anthropology: Global Forces, Local Lives*. 2nd edition. New York: Routledge.

## INTERNET RESOURCES ASSOCIATED WITH THE TEXT

Routledge Interactive provides e-Textbook as well as multiple-choice questions for each chapter. Go to:

## http://www.routledgeinteractive.com/

Type the Redeem Code from the endpaper (the back of the front cover) of your textbook. This might be helpful for becoming familiar with the materials in the text. We will not be using their exams, though you could still check out their sample questions as a study aid.

Surfing the web can provide further expose to the subject matter of this course. There are a myriad of relevant sites. You can start with the Department of Anthropology home page: <a href="http://antharky.ucalgary.ca/links">http://antharky.ucalgary.ca/links</a>, or Anthropology resources on the Library web page: <a href="http://library.ucalgary.ca/databases-subject-or-name/research-databases?s=73">http://library.ucalgary.ca/databases-subject-or-name/research-databases?s=73</a>.

## LECTURE SCHEDULE

Please check out D2L regularly.

#### **EVALUATIONS**

The final grades will be based upon marks on quizzes, two mid-term exams, and a Registrar-scheduled final exam. Exam questions will be drawn from the lecture, course text, and films.

1st Mid-term exam		25%	February 5 (Fri)			
			Scope:	Chapters 1	– 5 of t	he textbook
			Format:	Multiple ch	oice (N	1C)
2nd Mid-term exam		30%	March 14 (Mon)			
			Chapters 6, 7, 9, 10			
				MC		
Final exam 45%		TBA, some day in the exam week (April 16–27)				
Registrar-scheduled			Cumulative (however, mainly from Chs. 8, 11 – 15)			
			MC			
GRADING SCHEME						
A+	100-94.9%	Α	94.8-89	9.9%	Α-	89.8–84.9%
B+	84.8-79.9%	В	79.8-74	1.9%	B-	74.8-70.9%
C+	70.8-66.9%	С	66.8-62	2.9%	C-	62.8-58.9%
D+	58.8-54.9%	D	54.8-49	9.9%	F	49.8% and below

Test re-writes will **NOT** be offered except for valid and documented medical and family emergencies. Non-academic activities, such as vacation plans and heavy workload are not valid reasons for missing a exam. Course appeals (grades, missed exams) have to be made in writing. Students unable to write an exam must inform the instructor or personnel in the main office (Department of Anthropology and Archaeology, number: 403.220.6516) about their situation **beforehand**, NOT afterwards. A notification after the missed exam will **NOT** be accepted. A proper documentation must be provided within four (4) business days of the exam. (For instance, If a midterm exam takes place on Friday, documentation must be provided by Thursday of the following week. Make-up/deferred exam will occur within a week after the exam.)

## **EMAIL POLICY**

Please include the word "ANTH203" in the title of email message. Please write everything you need in one message. I appreciate concise and appropriate email messages. I will attempt to respond to emails in a timely fashion, that is, within two working days. However, responses may take longer depending on the volume of message I receive. In other words, please don't send an email about an exam an hour before and expect a response. Also, general questions regarding the course outline, exam formats, and so forth can be addressed in the D2L forum; other students are likely to have the same general questions, and can find their answers here.

## CONDUCT IN THE CLASSROOM

All cellphones must be turned off during class-time. If you expect to receive a call, sit by a door and leave the room in a non-disruptive manner prior to answering. I encourage note-taking during lecture. I will allow the use of computers for note-taking, so long as this does not interfere with lecture and/or class discussion. Students will be asked to leave the classroom if their use of computers is a distraction to other students or the instructor., Students who misuse their laptops in class will not be allowed to use computers again in class. Please note, not only is this distracting to you, most importantly it is distracting to the students around you (who see everything you are doing) and your instructor.

## **ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS**

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability and may require academic accommodation, please contact the Disability Resource Centre at 220-8237 if you have not already done so. You are required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than fourteen (14) days after the start of this course. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation.

#### 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 assignment/ exam. Any student caught plagiarizing will also be subject to additional University sanctions.

Students are expected to be familiar with the Arts Faculty's policy on intellectual honesty, available at: <a href="https://arts.ucalgary.ca/plagarismcheating">https://arts.ucalgary.ca/plagarismcheating</a>

## **EMERGENCY EVACUATION**

In the event that we need to evacuate the classroom due to an emergency, please note that the primary assembly point shall be the Food Court in the ICT Building. For more information on emergency evacuation, please visit: <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/home/evacuation-assembly-points/assembly-points">https://www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/home/evacuation-assembly-points/assembly-points</a>.