



ANTH 203 (LEC01)
Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology
GFC Hours 3-0
Winter 2023

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Prerequisite(s): None.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course introduces students to social and cultural anthropology. It takes a comparative approach to the ways people order their lives, and structure and give meaning to their experiences through gender, class, race, ethnicity, kinship, religion, language and so on. It looks at how all human experience, including our own, is embedded within particular historical and cultural processes with a focus on the forces of globalization.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

The Department of Anthropology and Archaeology is committed to student knowledge and skill development.

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate a basic understanding of the concepts, theories, methods and central issues of social and cultural anthropology that will form the basis for future studies in socio-cultural anthropology and the social sciences in general.
2. Apply anthropological principles, methods, and concepts to engender a critical thinking about Western culture and society.
3. Demonstrate an appreciation of the social and cultural diversity resulting from the variety of ways people have organised their lives and given meaning to their environment and their experiences.

4. Demonstrate the links between the individual, their social world, and global processes.

REQUIRED READINGS:

Ferraro, Gary, Susan Andreatta, and Chris Holdsworth 2018. *Cultural Anthropology: An Applied Perspective* (First Canadian edition). Toronto: Nelson

Links to any additional required readings will be made available through D2L.

REQUIRED TECHNOLOGY and EQUIPMENT:

- A computer and/or cell phone with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security and malware updates.
- A Top Hat Account (see below)

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENT

EXAM SCHEDULE

1. Midterm Exam 1

Date: Tuesday February 7

Percent of grade: 30%

2. Midterm Exam 2

Date: Thursday March 9

Percent of grade: 30%

3. Final Exam

Date: April 15-26, (Registrar Scheduled) Exact date, time, and place TBA

Percent of Grade: 40%

- All exams will be multiple choice
- All exams will be closed book
- Questions will be based on the chapters from the text, any other assigned readings, and class lectures.
- The second midterm and the final will be cumulative.

Deferred exams

- If you know ahead of time that you have conflict with the date of the exam (e.g. you require a medical procedure that day, or are away as a U of C sports event), please email the instructor as soon as possible and arrangements may be made to write a deferred exam.
- If you miss an exam, email the instructor as soon as possible, and no later than 48 hours after the exam, to ask for a makeup exam.
- Students who do not schedule a makeup exam with the instructor within this 48-hour period forfeit the right to a deferred exam.
- Once approved by the instructor a deferred exam must be written within two weeks of the missed exam on a day and time scheduled by the instructor.

- The instructor has the option to transfer the percentage weight for the exam to another component of the course (such as the final examination), change the format of the exam, or make other alternative arrangements.
- Students may choose to provide supporting documentation to confirm an absence.
- **Deferral of the Registrar-Scheduled final exam requires Registrar approval.**
<https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred-final-exams>

Department of Anthropology and Archaeology Grading Scheme:

A+ 95 – 100%	B+ 80 – 84.9%	C+ 67 – 70.9%	D+ 55 – 58.9%
A 90 – 94.9%	B 75 – 79.9%	C 63 – 66.9%	D 50 – 54.9%
A- 85 – 89.9%	B- 71 – 74.9%	C- 59 – 62.9%	F < 50%

- Please note that no extra credit or ‘make up’ work is available in this class
- You do not need to pass each course component to earn a passing grade in the class
- Reappraisal of Graded Term Work: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html>
- Reappraisal of Final Grade: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-3.html>

Land Acknowledgement

The Department of Anthropology and Archaeology acknowledges the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta, which includes the Blackfoot Confederacy (comprising the Siksika, Piikani, and Kainai First Nations), as well as the Tsuut’ina First Nation, and the Stoney Nakoda (including the Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley First Nations). The City of Calgary is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region 3.

Acknowledgment and Respect for Diversity

The Department of Anthropology and Archaeology views diversity of identity as a strength and resource. Your experiences and different perspectives are encouraged and add to a rich learning environment that fosters critical thought through respectful discussion and inclusion.

COURSE POLICIES

Cell Phone and Laptop Policy

Cell phones must be turned off during the class except when in use for Top Hat. Laptops and tablets should be used only for taking notes. Since the screens can be distracting to students sitting behind, if you wish to use your laptop or tablet please sit toward the back of the class.

Email Policy

- In all emails to me or the TA you must use your U of C email address.
- In any email correspondence please begin with the course code (anth 203.01) in the subject line followed by the subject of your message.
- Please use an appropriate email. I do not reply to emails using my first name or that begin with “hey” etc. Do not skip a greeting altogether

- Please send an email only where the questions or concerns are of a private nature. All other questions about content, exams, or processes should be asked in class or on D2L FAQ section, as other students will also benefit from the answers.
- Most of the time, you can expect a reply to an email within 24 hours.
- Please do NOT expect an immediate reply. I also rarely reply to emails evenings or weekends.
- I will not reply to emails that are not signed with your name.
- Please also use include your UofC Id
- Do not hesitate to email me. Your communication is important to me.
- Concise emails are appreciated.
- Emails are preferred to phone calls. If you do phone me and I do not answer do not leave a message as I do not check them

Expectations

- It is expected that students will attend all classes
- That students will let me know of an issue that may impact their success in the course as soon as possible.
- Students can expect a reply to an email within 24 hours except for weekends.
- Students can expect an email about any changes to the course such as a change in the topics covered and the dates.
- Students can expect an email to remind them of upcoming important dates.
- Unless otherwise noted, grades will be posted within two weeks following an exam.
- Exams will not be returned to the student.
- Students are welcome to go over their exams and discuss the results during office hours.
- Students are encouraged to make notes of classroom discussions and lectures, since this practice requires that students develop the ability to actively attend to the material under consideration and to quickly summarize pertinent information in a coherent manner.
- Recording of lectures is not permitted unless a student with a disability who is registered with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) has an accommodation to make audio recordings of course material. Students without a formal accommodation may audio record lectures, provided that the student and instructor sign a release form available from departmental and faculty offices. Any audio recording by students with permission to record them may do so only for the purposes of private study by the individual student.
- All lectures, and discussions during office hours, will be recorded by the instructor.

UNIVERSITY POLICIES

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit <https://live-ucalgary.ucalgary.ca/student-services/access>. Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor or the Department

Head. The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at <https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/accommodation-students-disabilities-procedure>.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

Academic integrity is the foundation of the development and acquisition of knowledge and is based on values of honesty, trust, responsibility, and respect. We expect members of our community to act with integrity. The University Calendar includes a statement on the principles of conduct expected of all members of the university community (including students, faculty, administrators, any category of staff, practicum supervisors, and volunteers), whether on or off university property. This statement applies in all situations where members of the university community are acting in their university capacities. All members of the university community have a responsibility to familiarize themselves with the principles of conduct statement, which is available at: www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic honesty and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect.

Academic dishonesty is not an acceptable activity at the University of Calgary, and students are **strongly advised** to read the Student Misconduct section in the University Calendar at: www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-3.html. Often, students are unaware of what constitutes academic dishonesty or plagiarism. The most common are (1) presenting another student's work as your own, (2) presenting an author's work or ideas as your own without adequate citation, and (3) using work completed for another course. Such activities will not be tolerated in this course, and students suspected of academic misconduct will be dealt with according to the procedures outlined in the calendar at: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-academic-misconduct-procedure>

For students wishing to know more about what constitutes plagiarism and how to properly cite the work of others, the Department of Geography recommends that they attend Academic Integrity workshops offered through the Student Success Centre: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity>

INSTRUCTOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Course materials created by professor(s) (including course outlines, presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the professor(s). These materials may NOT be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit consent of the professor. The posting of course materials to third party websites such as note-sharing sites without permission is prohibited. Sharing of extracts of these course materials with other students enrolled in the course at the same time may be allowed under fair dealing. Information on Instructor Intellectual Property can be found at <https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/intellectual-property-policy>

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT

Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary.

COPYRIGHT LEGISLATION

All students are required to read the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright (<https://ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/acceptable-use-material-protected-copyright-policy>) and requirements of the copyright act (<https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html>) to ensure they are aware of the consequences of unauthorized sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions of textbooks, etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy.

SUPPORTS FOR STUDENT LEARNING, SUCCESS, AND SAFETY

Please visit the Registrar's website at: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines> for additional important information on the following:

- Wellness and Mental Health Resources
- Student Success Centre
- Student Ombuds Office
- Student Union (SU) Information
- Graduate Students' Association (GSA) Information
- Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points
- Safewalk

TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE

- Please note that this schedule is tentative.
- If necessary the schedule of classes and readings will be updated.
- Any schedule changes will be announced via email and posted to the notice board on D2L.
- Readings refer to chapters in the text.

Date	Topic	Readings
T Jan 10	Introduction	Ch 1: Anthropology in a Global World
R Jan 12	Introduction & Core Concepts	Ch. 2: The Concept of Culture
T Jan 17	Introduction & Core Concepts	Ch. 3 Applied Anthropology
R Jan 19	History of Anthropological Thought	Ch. 4: The Growth of Anthropological Theory
T Jan 24	History of Anthropological Thought	
R Jan 26	History of Anthropological Thought	
T Jan 31	Anthropological Methods	Ch. 5: Research Methods in Cultural Anthropology
R Feb 2	Language and Communication part 1	Ch. 6: Communication and Culture
T Feb 7	Midterm Exam 1	
R Feb 9	Language and Communication part 2	Ch. 6: Communication and Culture
T Feb 14	Economic Systems part 1	Ch. 7 Economics, Adaptation, and Subsistence Patterns
R Feb 16	Economic Systems part 2	
Feb 19-25	Term Break, No Classes	
T Feb 28	Marriage and Family	Ch. 8: Marriage, Family, and Kinship
R Mar 2	Sex and Gender	Ch. 9: Sex and Gender
T Mar 7	Sex and Gender	
R Mar 9	Midterm Exam 2	
T Mar 14	Religion	Ch. 12: Religion
R Mar 16	Religion	
T Mar 21	Religion	
R Mar 23	Social Inequality	Ch 10: Social Inequality: the meaning of Difference
T Mar 28	Social Inequality	
R Mar 30	Culture Change and Globalization	Ch. 14 The Modern World Order
T Apr 4	Culture Change and Globalization	
R Apr 6	Review	
T Apr 11	Last Lecture: Review	
April 15-26	Winter Final Exam Period	

Note: Due to time constraints we will not cover Chapter 11 on Political Organization and Social Control, or chapter 13 on Art

IMPORTANT DATES

M Jan 9	First day of Winter Term lectures
R Jan 19	Last day to drop a class without a financial penalty
F Jan 20	Last day to add or swap a course
F Jan 27	Fee payment deadline for Winter Term full and half courses.
Feb 20-24	Reading Break. No classes.
F Apr 7	Good Friday, University closed. No classes.
M Apr 10	Easter Monday, University closed. No classes.
W Apr 12	Winter Term Lectures End. Last day to withdraw with permission from Winter Term half courses.
Apr 15-26	Winter Final Exam Period

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