

**DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY**  
**University of Calgary**  
**ANTHROPOLOGY 311.02**  
Fall 2011  
Primate Behaviour

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**REQUIRED TEXT** - Primate Behavioral Ecology by Karen Strier, 4th edition, 2010.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

**Term Test One – 20%** - Oct. 4 **TEXT:** Chs 1, 2 & 4 (pgs 80-98 only). This in class test will be multiple choice and short answer format. *Lecture after test.*

**Midterm – 30%** - November 8 **TEXT:** Chs 4 (pgs 98-112), 5 – 8. This in class test will be multiple choice and short answer format.

**Cumulative Final Exam – 50% - Final Exam (50% All lectures, all videos, all specified textbook readings) scheduled by registrar**

An outline of the lecture notes will be posted on Blackboard, and students are encouraged to print these and bring them to class to assist with handwritten note taking. Important: the posted notes are **NOT** sufficient without the lectures. Tests will be based on all material covered in class, including the presented lectures and guest lectures, discussion, Q & A, and videos.

Although related and generally complimentary, the material in the textbook is not tightly integrated with the lectures. These should be considered two separate sets of information, both to be mastered for the exams. Pay special attention in the textbook to areas of overlap with the lectures.

**Please note:** I will be away at a conference from September 15 – 20 (missing Monday Sept. 19 class), and again in the field some time in November (exact dates TBA). During my absence, *classes will run as per the schedule*, and a substitute lecturer will be provided. Please come to class on those days!

**Academic Accommodations** - It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre 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.

### **Classroom Expectations/Regulations**

- Try to arrive on time to prevent disruption to the class. If you are late please take a seat at the back of the room to minimize disruption. Likewise please stay seated until class in concluded. We will not run overtime.
- Do not converse with classmates during lectures. This is unfair to students sitting nearby who may miss lecture material that will subsequently appear on exams. If you are discussing lecture material please raise your hand to share the comment or question as that will benefit the whole class. Relevant interruptions are welcome. You may also email questions which will be answered in the next lecture.
- All email enquiries about term tests or exams will be answered in class.
- **USE OF LAPTOP COMPUTERS OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES IS NOT PERMITTED IN CLASS. Although many students use laptops legitimately to take notes, past experience has demonstrated that the few who do not use their computers appropriately during class are too big a distraction to other students who are trying to concentrate. Therefore, NO laptops are allowed.**
- Please turn off cell phones during class.

**Classroom Examination Instructions** – Exam room security is taken very seriously. Term test one and the midterm will be held in class, which is crowded. To ensure exam security please see and follow the **Classroom Examination Instructions** on the class web page.

Missed tests automatically receive a score of zero. In the event of an emergency or illness, the Anthropology office (220-6516) or the instructor **MUST** be notified **BEFORE** the exam, and documentation **MUST** be provided before a make-up test will be scheduled. Performance on make up exams is typically lower than those taken with the class.

**Tests are NOT returned to students.** I will go over the test IN CLASS the week after the test, by which time marks will be available on Blackboard. If you would like to consult your test, you may come to our posted office hours, or make an appointment. If, after consulting the key, your notes, and the text you have concerns about the marking of your exam, you will be asked to provide a detailed written statement of your concern. Your exam will then be re-graded in its entirety, and marks will be raised, lowered or left unchanged as is warranted. Deadline for the submission of written statement is one week after results of an examination have been posted.

***No special arrangements will be made following a poor test performance.*** For example, we cannot change the weighting of the tests, allow retakes, or accept alternate assignments in lieu of the test. Prepare in advance to ensure a good test performance – this is your opportunity to perform well, not later. After the test no changes will be made.

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

### **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 professional Faculties Food Court and the secondary assembly point shall be the Education Block 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 July 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>

**Tentative** Lecture and Video Schedule for Fall 2011

Sept. 12	Introduction to Primatology Primate Pattern
Sept. 19	Survey of Primates <i>Survey of Primates (Video)</i>
Sept. 26	Levels of Causation Natural selection and behaviour <i>Lemurs (Video)</i>
Oct. 3	<u>1<sup>st</sup> half of class: <b>Term Test One</b> – 20% Chs 1, 2 &amp; 4 (pgs 80-98).</u> <u>2<sup>nd</sup> half of class: Basic life problems: Finding food</u>
Oct. 10	<i>Thanksgiving</i>
Oct 17	Why group? <i>Braveheart (Gelada Monkey Video)</i>
Oct. 24	Sexual selection
Oct. 31	Kin selection and parental investment <i>New Chimpanzee (video)</i>
Nov. 7	<b>Term Test Two</b> – 30% Chs 4 (pgs 98-112), 5 – 8
Nov. 14	Primate life course histories (Ch. 9)
Nov. 21	Communication & Cognition (Ch. 10) <i>Ape Genius (Video)</i>
Nov. 28	Community Ecology (Ch. 11) <i>3 Monkeys (Video)</i>
Dec. 5	Conservation (Ch. 12) <i>Disenchanted Forest (Video)</i>

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