

**ANTHROPOLOGY 613
Methods in Primate Behaviour
Winter 2015**

Seminar: Wednesday 14:00-16:50 pm
Location: ES 702

Instructor: Steig Johnson
Office: ES 710D
Tel: 220-6070
E-mail: steig.johnson@ucalgary.ca
Office Hours: Wednesday 10:00-12:00

COURSE DESCRIPTION

In this course, we will have weekly meetings to present and discuss readings on current issues in primatology. Our analysis will include theoretical and especially methodological considerations. Topics may include ecology, population biology, social behaviour, cognition, and conservation. Specific topics will be finalized during the first meeting, taking into account the particular interests of the class.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Students will be responsible for participation in discussion of weekly readings. In addition, students will be primary presenters for at least two research articles.

Presentations involve leading the discussion of the weekly reading, including a written outline to be handed out to the class. More information will be provided on how to structure presentations and lead discussions.

Seminar participation involves engagement in weekly seminar discussions, as well as brief written evaluations of presenters. Evaluations will be submitted to the instructor only, and are due weekly on Friday at 4 pm.

The final paper will be a literature review on an area of research of the student's choosing and approved by the instructor. Following the approach from weekly reading discussions, this will involve presenting research questions and a thorough discussion of proposed methods and analytical techniques for five research articles.

ASSIGNMENTS

	% Total Mark
Seminar Participation	30%
Presentation #1	20%
Presentation #2	20%
Final Paper (due April 15)	30%

MARKING GUIDELINES

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

IMPORTANT DATES

January 14	First day of class
February 15-22	Reading Days
April 15	Last day of class

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.

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 Department's policy on intellectual honesty available at: <http://www.anth.ucalgary.ca/home/links/intellectual-honesty-guidelines>.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION:

In the event that the classroom should need to be evacuated due to an emergency situation please note that the primary assembly point shall be at the ICT Food Court and the Social Science Food Court shall be used as a secondary assembly point.

USRI

At the University of Calgary, feedback provided by students through the Universal Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) survey provides valuable information to help with evaluating instruction, enhancing learning and teaching, and selecting courses. Your responses make a difference, please participate!

Website: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/usri/>