

UTEP INTRO CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY
SUMMER 2023 03 July – 18 August
ANTH 1302 CRN 35919

INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION:

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PLEASE REFER TO THIS DOCUMENT BEFORE CONTACTING ME.

YOUR ANSWER WILL LIKELY BE FOUND HERE.

REQUIRED TEXT & SUPPLIES:

Essentials of Cultural Anthropology: A Toolkit for a Global Age 3rd ed.,

by Kenneth J. Guest WW Norton Publishers 2020 (Print or digital E-book)

OTHER EDITIONS OF THIS TEXTBOOK ARE NOT RECOMMENDED

INSTRUCTOR'S OVERVIEW OF THE CLASS:

This course will introduce students to basic concepts, theories, and methods in cultural anthropology. It covers concepts used by anthropologists to understand human diversity and different ways of life throughout the world. The course includes a critical focus on race, gender, sexuality, kinship and relatedness, inequality, migration, material culture, and religion.

Course Goals and Learning Outcomes

1. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the basic content and goals of cultural anthropology.
2. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the broad implications of culture.
3. The student will demonstrate an understanding of the holistic and comparative approach.
4. The student will demonstrate the difference between ethnocentrism and cultural relativism.
5. The student will demonstrate an understanding of fieldwork and ethnography.
6. The student will demonstrate an understanding of global cultural diversity.

COMMUNICATION PLAN

- Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. All communication should be through email to recallaway@utep.edu from your @miners.utep.edu account. During the week before 8pm, you should expect a response from me within three hours. After 8pm, you should expect a response by 10am the following morning. Responses may take longer during the weekend.
- Most important course information has been provided to you in this document. When necessary I will also communicate important information to you through course announcements. All information related to due dates for assignments are in the course organizer found at the end of this document.
- **Do not look for emails or announcements as reminders of due dates for course work.**
- You will interact regularly with your peers through discussion board posts.
- Times for all deadlines are 11:59pm Mountain Time, or local time for El Paso, Texas.
- I will update and/or post grades for all assignments as soon as possible after they close.
- It is very important that you are organized and pay close attention to the due dates in the course organizer. It is also imperative that you not wait until work is “due” to “do” it. This actually increases the likelihood that work will not be submitted on time. It is also important to remember that work must be submitted **before** 11:59pm. Any submissions after the 11:59.00pm deadline will be considered late and likely **will not be graded.**
- **ASSIGNMENTS ARE OPEN AND AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.** You are allowed to work ahead, especially because make-up work and extensions of deadlines will not be allowed.

ONLINE “NETIQUETTE”:

- Always consider your audience. Remember that your peers and instructor will read any posts.
- Respect and courtesy must be provided to peers and the instructor at all times. No harassment or inappropriate postings will be tolerated.
- When reacting to posts, address the ideas, not the person. Post only what anyone would comfortably state in a face-to-face classroom setting.
- Blackboard is not a public internet venue; all postings to it should be considered private and confidential. Whatever is posted in these online spaces is intended for classmates and professor only. Please do not copy documents and paste them to a publicly accessible website, blog, or other space. If you wish to do so, you have the ethical obligation to first request permission from the author(s).

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SUMMER 2023 IMPORTANT DATES

03 Jul 23	Classes Begin	04 Jul 23	Independence Day Holiday
10 Jul 23	Census Date		
14 Aug 23	Course Drop/Withdrawal Deadline		
17 Aug 23	Final Exam and Class End		

GRADING CRITERIA:

Your Final Course Grade is assigned on a 1000-point scale as follows:

925 – 1000 points = A

825 – 924 points = B

725 – 824 points = C

625 – 724 points = D

<625 points = F

FINAL GRADES WILL RESULT FROM POINTS EARNED ON:**A.) Orientation Quiz****15 points****Total 15 points**

The orientation quiz is found in the INTRODUCTIONS/ORIENTATION module of COURSE MATERIALS. The quiz consists of 10 questions, is untimed, and may be taken as often as necessary to earn maximum points.

B.) Chapter Quiz (13 of 15)**25 points each****Total 325 points**

Chapter quizzes consists of 25 randomly selected questions. You will have two (2) attempts and thirty (30) minutes to complete each quiz.

If taken, the result of the second attempt, even if lower than the first, will be recorded.

The lowest two (2) quiz grades are dropped.

C.) Discussion (14 of 16)**15 points each****Total 210 points**

A **minimum** of three (3) posts are required within each discussion. Initial posts are worth up to 10 points each. You must also reply to at least two others. Each reply post is worth up to 2.5 points. Posts must demonstrate an understanding of and objective application of terms and concepts in chapter readings. Posts must address everything required by the prompt.

The lowest two (2) discussion grades are dropped.

D.) Exams (4)**100 & 150 points****Total 450 points**

Exams 1 – 3 will consist of fifty (50) questions each. You will have two attempts and sixty (60) minutes to complete Exams 1 – 3. **100 points each**

The comprehensive Final Exam (Chs 1 – 15) will consist of seventy-five (75) questions.

You will have two attempts and ninety (90) minutes to complete it. **150 points**

If taken, the result of the second attempt, even if lower than the first, will be recorded.

Total 1000 points

*****Your final grade is based on total points earned, not a percentage.*****

*****Lowest grades are dropped from the beginning, not at the end, of the course*****

Make-Up and/or Late Work & Extra Credit:

No exceptions will be made for the times or dates work is assigned or due. You will not be allowed to make up any missed work or exams.

Extra credit will not be offered.

Exceptions to any policy, although unlikely, will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

DAILY CLASS ASSIGNMENTS:

CHAPTER	TOPICS	ASSIGNMENT & DUE DATE All due before 11:59pm
Orientation Introductions	Navigating Blackboard Introductions	Orientation & Introductions Discussion & Quiz M 03 Jul
Ch. 1	Anthropology in a Global Age	Discussion & Quiz W 05 Jul
Ch. 2	Culture	Discussion & Quiz F 07 Jul
Ch. 3	Fieldwork and Ethnography	Discussion & Quiz M 10 Jul
Ch. 4	Language	Discussion & Quiz W 12 Jul
Exam 1	Chapters 1 – 4	Exam 1 Su 16 Jul
Ch. 5	Race and Racism	Discussion & Quiz M 17 Jul
Ch. 6	Ethnicity and Nationalism	Discussion & Quiz W 19 Jul
Ch. 7	Gender	Discussion & Quiz F 21 Jul
Ch. 8	Sexuality	Discussion & Quiz M 24 Jul
Ch 9	Kinship, Family, and Marriage	Discussion & Quiz W 26 Jul
Exam 2	Chapters 5 – 9	Exam 2 Su 30 Jul
Ch. 10	The Global Economy	Discussion & Quiz M 31 Jul
Ch. 11	Environment and Sustainability	Discussion & Quiz W 02 Aug
Ch. 12	Politics and Power	Discussion & Quiz F 04 Aug
Ch. 13	Religion	Discussion & Quiz M 07 Aug
Ch. 14	Health, Illness and the Body	Discussion & Quiz W 09 Aug
Ch. 15	Art and Media	Discussion & Quiz F 11 Aug
Exam 3	Chapters 10 – 15	Exam 3 M 14 Aug
Final Exam	Chapters 1 – 15	Final Exam Th 17 Aug

*****THE “DUE” DATE IS NOT NECESSARILY THE “TO-DO” DATE*****

*****LATE WORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. MAKE-UPS ARE NOT ALLOWED*****