

DEREE COLLEGE SYLLABUS FOR:

AN 1000 LE INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY – LEVEL 4

UK CREDITS: 15
US CREDITS: 3/0/3

(Updated Fall 2024)

PREREQUISITES:

None

CATALOG DESCRIPTION:

An introductory course that examines the biological, archaeological, linguistic, and cultural basis of anthropology as it was developed in the USA. Overview of theories and methods used in anthropological study.

RATIONALE:

As a survey course, this course introduces students to all subfields of anthropology giving them a general understanding of the entire discipline in the holistic manner that was developed in the US. Through the anthropological perspective, students will appreciate the human cultural and biological diversity across time and space. This course paves the way for further study in anthropology and fulfills part of the Liberal Education social science requirement.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- As a result of taking this course a student should be able to:
1. Demonstrate knowledge of the foundation of Anthropology and its main subfields: biological, archaeological, linguistic, and cultural.
 2. Demonstrate knowledge about core notions and theoretical approaches of general anthropology.
 3. Identify anthropological methods of data collection from both emic and etic perspectives.
 4. Develop an anthropological perspective in the study of humanity within diverse historical and global contexts.

METHOD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING:

- In congruence with the teaching and learning strategy of the college, the following tools are used:
- Lectures and class discussions.
 - Homework assignments.
 - Office hours held by the instructor to provide further assistance to students.
 - Use of library facilities for further study and preparation for the exams
- Use of the Blackboard course management platform to further support communication, by posting lecture notes, assignment instruction, timely announcements, formative quizzes and online submission of assignments.

ASSESSMENT:

Summative:	
First Assessment: Mid-term exam (essay questions with choice)	40%
Final Assessment: Final exam (essay questions with choice)	60%

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<p>INDICATIVE READING:</p>	<p>REQUIRED READING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Kottak, Conrad Phillip, 2019 <i>Anthropology, Appreciating Human Diversity</i>. Random House, New York (or latest edition) <p>RECOMMENDED READINGS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bernard, H.R. (2006) <i>Research Methods in Anthropology: Qualitative and Quantitative Methods</i>. Walnut Creek: AltaMira • Eriksen, T. H. (2004). <i>What is Anthropology?</i> London: Pluto Press. • Ervin, A.M. (2005) <i>Applied Anthropology</i>. Boston: Pearson • Gamble, C. (2008) <i>Archaeology, the Basics</i>. NY: Routledge • Nolan, R. W. (2018). <i>Development anthropology</i>. Routledge. • Salzmann, Z. (2007) <i>Language, Culture, and Society: An Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology</i>. Boulder, CO: Westview. 				
<p>INDICATIVE MATERIAL: (e.g. audiovisual, digital material, etc.)</p>	<p>REQUIRED MATERIAL: N/A</p> <p>RECOMMENDED MATERIAL: N/A</p>				
<p>COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS:</p>	<p>Verbal skills using academic / professional English.</p>				
<p>SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS:</p>	<p>Word, ppt, Blackboard</p>				
<p>WWW RESOURCES:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://www.americananthropologist.org/ • https://www.discovermagazine.com/ • https://www.nationalgeographic.com/ • www.bsa.org.uk • https://www.americananthro.org/ 				
<p>INDICATIVE CONTENT:</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The anthropological perspective 2. Development of American Anthropology 3. The Concept of Culture 				

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