

# Introduction to Anthropology 1000

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## Course Description:

Anthropology, is a discipline of immense curiosity about human beings. Anthropologists seek answers to an enormous variety of questions about humans: when, where and why humans appeared on the earth; how and why they have changed since then; and how and why modern human populations vary in certain physical features and cultural attributes. They also spend time learning about how cultures have changed over time regarding: economics, history, biology, language, marriage, arts and religion, and a myriad of other cultural traits.

This class will explore the discipline of anthropology. We will study the methods of collecting and analyzing data that make anthropology a science. By the end of the course you will have a good understanding of the ways people, past and present, have organized themselves.

## Course Objectives:

By the end of the course, the students will be able to:

- Define and discuss the theoretical concepts of anthropology as considered by the early theorists in both biological and social evolution.
- Compare and contrast tribal technology in hunting/gathering and agricultural settings.
- Identify marriage customs within cultures both past and present.
- Define and explain the roles of political power and decision-making in tribal and modern settings.
- Explain what anthropologists mean by world-systems theory and the effect of industrialization on these societies.
- Develop critical thinking skills

points.

- ❑ You must complete all assignments and exams to pass this class.
- ❑ I reserve the right to (a) adjust individual grades based on my evaluation of your participation and enthusiasm in the course and (b) make changes to the syllabus during the course, if I feel it will benefit the class.

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- ◆ Your requirement is to complete all four essays and the term paper.
- ◆ There will be two take-home and three in-class exams including the final.
- ◆ Papers are due on the day required. If you are unable to be to class leave your paper in my box in the copy room or at the front desk. (This information will be shared with the class in our first class.)

HAVE FUN!!!

*\* As you will note on the Course Schedule this book is not read in sequential order. When there is a Chapter assignment there will be a 10 question quiz at the beginning of class and then a brief discussion. There is no specific reading assignment for Chapter 14 but because of its relevance to your College experience, I suggest you read it first as it will help you in more than just Anthropology.*

## Course Schedule

Week and Topics	Chapters
1. 22 August The Essence of Anthropology <i>Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 1</i>	1
2. 29 August Characteristics of Culture Hand out - Essay 1 <i>Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 2</i> <u>Quiz</u> - Thinking Anthropologically - 1/2	2
3. 5 September Ethnographic Research <i>Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 4</i> <u>Quiz</u> - Thinking Anthropologically - 4	3
4. 12 September Becoming Human Essay 1 due Exam 1 <i>Thinking Anthropologically- Chpt 6</i> Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 6	4 (1-2-3)
5. 19 September Language and Communication <i>Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 5</i> Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 5	5
6. 26 September Social Identity, Personality and Gender Hand out - Essay 2 <i>Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 11</i> Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 11	6
7. 3 October Patterns of Subsistence Exam 2 (take home) <i>Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 3</i> Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 3	7 (4-5-6)
8. 10 October Economic Systems Essay 2 due Hand out - Term Paper Topics Hand in - Take Home Quiz	8

***Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 10***  
**Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 10**

9. 19 October  
Sex, Marriage and Family 9  
Kinship and Descent 10  
***Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 13***  
**Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 13**
10. 24 October  
Grouping by Gender, Age, Common Interest, and Class 11  
Hand out - Essay 3  
Exam 3 (Take home) (7-8-9-10)  
Movie - The Time Machine  
***Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 12***  
**Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 12**
11. 31 October  
Politics, Power and Violence 12  
Hand in - Take Home Quiz  
***Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 9***  
**Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 9**
12. 7 November  
Spirituality, Religion and the Supernatural 13  
Hand in - Essay 3
13. 14 November  
The Arts  
Hand Out Essay 4 14  
Exam 4 (in class) (11-12-13)
14. 21 November  
No Class - Thanksgiving
15. 28 November  
Process of Change 15  
Term Paper Due  
***Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 7***  
**Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 7**
16. 5 December  
Global Challenges  
Hand in Essay 4 16  
***Thinking Anthropologically - Chpt 8***  
**Quiz - Thinking Anthropologically - 8**
17. 12 December  
Final (14-15-16)