



ANTH 201.02: Introduction to Biological Anthropology **Department of Anthropology and Archaeology**

Course Outline, Spring 2022

PRE-REQUISITE: N/A

CLASSROOM LOCATION: MFH 160

This course will be **in-person**.

CLASS DAYS & TIMES: in-person, Mondays and Wednesdays 12:00 – 2:45pm

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INSTRUCTOR EMAIL POLICY:

Please note that all course communications must occur through your @ucalgary email, and I will respond to emails sent via student's @ucalgary emails within 48 hours. Please include the course title (ANTH 201) in the subject heading, and your full name in the email.

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This class will introduce students to the field of Biological Anthropology. Topics include evolutionary processes, primate and human evolution, as well as modern human diversity. A number of interesting concepts are discussed throughout this class, and students should be prepared to memorize new terms.

***COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

At the end of this course, students will:

1. Understand the development of evolutionary thought in the Western world, our current understanding of the mechanisms of evolutionary change.
2. Be familiar with basic genetics and epigenetics, and understand the processes involved in the evolution of new species.
3. Be knowledgeable about the complex path of human evolution and what lead to the divergence of the line that ultimately lead to modern humans.
4. Be informed consumers of media releases related to biological anthropology.
5. Understand the biological diversity of modern humans and some of the modern applications of biological anthropology.
6. Be able to engage in informed discussions about the legacy and prospects for our species

***LEARNING RESOURCES**

Required textbook (available at the UCalgary Bookstore) and materials:

- **Jurmain, R. Kilgore, L., Trevathan, W., Batelink, E. (2016). *Essentials of Physical Anthropology*. 10th Edition. Wadsworth Publishing.**

- Partial lecture slides will be posted on D2L. Posted notes are intended to enhance the lecture and augment your handwritten notes of lecture material, not replace them. The posted notes are **NOT** sufficient without the lectures themselves. Typically, class attendance is strongly positively correlated with test performance and final grade.
- Supplemental optional readings will also be offered. These provide further context for course materials covered in lecture and may be helpful in preparing for exams. (see d2L.ucalgary.ca)

***LEARNING TECHNOLOGIES AND REQUIREMENTS**

There is a D2L site for this course which contains lecture slides, readings and other relevant class resources and materials.

In order to successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of Calgary, students taking in-person classes are required to have reliable access to the following technology:

- A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security, and malware updates;
- A current and updated web browser;
- Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled;
- Broadband internet connection.

CLASS SCHEDULE

Grey font = no class

- Important Dates**
 May 4 – First day of ANTH201
 May 18 – Test 1
 May 23 – Recognized holiday, no classes
 June 08 – Test 2
 June 15 – Last day of ANTH201
 TBA (June 20 – 22) – Cumulative Final Exam

(Topics subject to change)

	Part I.
May 04 (Wed)	Introduction to the Course Introduction to Anthropology and Biological Anthropology <i>Reading:</i> Chapter 1
May 09 (Mon)	Development of Evolutionary Thought <i>Reading:</i> Chapter 2
May 11 (Wed)	The Biological Basis of Life: Genetics, Variation, Epigenetics <i>Reading:</i> Chapters 3, 4
May 16 (Mon)	From Variations to Species <i>Reading:</i> Chapter 5

Part II.

May 18 (Wed)	Test 1 Video: Life in the Trees
May 23 (Mon)	No Class (Victoria Day)
May 25 (Wed)	Primates Video: Your Inner Monkey <i>Reading:</i> Chapter 6
May 30 (Mon)	Primate Evolution and what it means to be a hominin From Ape to Australopithecus <i>Reading:</i> Chapter 8
June 01 (Wed)	Hominin Origins Video: Becoming Human 1
June 06 (Mon)	Emergence of the genus <i>Homo</i> Video: Becoming Human 2 <i>Reading:</i> Chapter 9
June 08 (Wed)	Test 2 Video: First Peoples: Americas
June 13 (Mon)	From <i>Homo erectus</i> to anatomically modern <i>Homo sapiens</i> Readings: Chapters 10, 11
June 15 (Wed)	Modern Human Diversity Legacies and Prospects of Human Evolutionary History <i>Readings:</i> Chapters 12, 13
Registrar Scheduled	Cumulative Final Exam, TBA All lectures, assigned chapter readings and videos

***EXAMINATIONS**

Multiple choice tests are not returned to students; however, a copy of the key will be made available at designated times and places (TBA) for review with the TA. Class material includes anything that happens in class: presented lectures, guest lectures, discussion, Q & A, and movies. Required readings (sections of the textbook) are specified above.

***ASSESSMENT COMPONENTS**

- Closed book: the use of aids such as textbooks, course notes or electronic devices will not be permitted during tests.

Test 1 (25%): An in-person test based on material covered in all preceding class material (lectures, videos, discussions) and assigned chapter readings (Part I. May 04 through May 16). Tests are non-cumulative and will be mainly multiple-choice format, with a small number of true/false questions. You

will have 75-mins to answer 60 questions on the test; the whole class will remain seated until the end, when we have collected exams from the aisle seats. Class will resume after.

Test Date: **May 18**

Aligned Course Learning Outcomes: 1, 2, 4

Test 2 (35%):

An in-person test based on material covered in all class material (lectures, videos, discussions) and assigned chapter readings since Test 1 (Part II. May 18 through June 06). Tests are non-cumulative and will be mainly multiple-choice format, with a small number of true/false questions. You will have 75-mins to answer 60 questions on the test; the whole class will remain seated until the end, when we have collected exams from the aisle seats. Class will resume after.

Date: **June 08**

Aligned Course Learning Outcomes: 3, 4, 5

Cumulative Final Exam (40%): TBA. This is a Registrar scheduled final exam which covers **all lecture materials, videos** and **textbook chapter readings** throughout the course (May 04 through June 15).

Date: TBA

Aligned Course Learning Outcomes: 1-6

***MISSED OR LATE ASSIGNMENTS**

Classroom materials missed due to absenteeism are the sole responsibility of the student. If students miss a required component of the course, they must contact the instructor in writing within 24 hours to discuss options to submit and/or make-up for that component.

Assignments submitted after the deadline will have 5% of their mark deducted for each day late.

Reappraisal of Graded Term Work: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html>

Reappraisal of Final Grade: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-3.html>

Students may be asked to provide supporting documentation for an exemption/special request. This may include, but is not limited to, a prolonged absence from a course where participation is required, a missed course assessment, a deferred examination, or an appeal. Students are encouraged to submit documentation that will support their situation. Supporting documentation may be dependent on the reason noted in their personal statement/explanation provided to explain their situation. This could be medical certificate/documentation, references, police reports, invitation letter, or a statutory declaration, etc. The decision to provide supporting documentation that best suits the situation is at the discretion of the student. Students cannot be required to provide specific supporting documentation, such as a medical note.

Students can make a Statutory Declaration as their supporting documentation (available at ucalgary.ca/registrar). This requires students to make a declaration in the presence of a Commissioner for Oaths. It demonstrates the importance of honest and accurate information provided and is a legally binding declaration. Several registered Commissioners for Oaths are available to students at no charge, on campus, please see ucalgary.ca/registrar.

Falsification of any supporting documentation will be taken very seriously and may result in disciplinary action through the Academic Discipline regulations or the Student Non-Academic Misconduct policy.

***GRADING**

A student’s final grade for the course is the sum of the separate assignments. It is not necessary to pass each assignment separately in order to pass the course.

Letter grades are assigned according to the following:

A+	95 – 100%	B	75 – 79.9%	C-	59 – 62.9%
A	90 – 94.9%	B-	71 – 74.9%	D+	55 – 58.9%
A-	85 – 89.9%	C+	67 – 70.9%	D	50 – 54.9%
B+	80– 84.9%	C	63 – 66.9%	F	< 50%

University’s undergraduate/graduate grading system:
<https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1.html>.

ADDITIONAL COURSE INFORMATION

CLASS REGULATIONS AND PARTICIPATION EXPECTATIONS

Students are expected to attend in-person class regularly and to be fully present and engaged in class discussions.

- **Try to arrive on time** to prevent disruption to the class. If you are late, please take a seat near the door to minimize disruption.
- **Leaving class during the lecture can be disruptive and is strongly discouraged.** If you know you have to leave early one day, please let me know and sit near a door.
- **Please refrain from conversing with classmates during lectures.** Talking between students during class is unfair to your classmates 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 always welcome! You may also email questions, which I will answer in the next class.

CONDUCT

Students, employees, and academic staff are also expected to demonstrate behaviour in class that promotes and maintains a positive and productive learning environment. As members of the University community, students, employees, and academic staff are expected to demonstrate conduct that is consistent with the University of Calgary Calendar, the Code of Conduct and Non-Academic Misconduct policy and procedures, which can be found at: <http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html>

USE OF INTERNET AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES IN CLASS

Students are responsible for being aware of the University's Internet and email use policy, which can be found at <https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/electronic-communications-policy.pdf>

- **The use of laptops, smart phones, iPads, cell phones etc. is not permitted in this class.** Flat surface devices with stylus (i.e. no visual or auditory distraction to others) are allowed, but the assumption is that you are taking hand written notes and are not online. You can use your devices while waiting for class to start but they must be put away as soon as I start the lecture.

COURSE EVALUATIONS AND STUDENT FEEDBACK

Student feedback will be sought at the end of the course through the standard University Student Ratings of Instruction (USRI) and Faculty course evaluation forms. A midterm evaluation may also be included to provide students an opportunity to provide feedback, for the instructor to adjust their approaches to teaching and learning, and to continuously improve the course. Students are welcome to discuss the process and content of the course at any time with the instructor.

COURSE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS

Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services; SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit <https://live-ucalgary.ucalgary.ca/student-services/access>. Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor or the Department Head. The full policy on Student Accommodations is available at <https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/accommodation-students-disabilities-procedure>.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

“Academic Misconduct” includes such things as cheating, falsification, plagiarism, unauthorized assistance, and failure to comply with exam regulations or an Instructor’s expectations regarding conduct required of Students completing academic assessments. Students who participate in, or encourage the commission of, Academic Misconduct will be subject to disciplinary action which could include Probation, Suspension, or Expulsion from the University. For information on academic misconduct and its consequences, please see the University of Calgary Calendar at <https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-3.html>

Further support on academic integrity is available at: <https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity>

INSTRUCTOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT

Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary.

COPYRIGHT LEGISLATION

All students are required to read the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright (<https://ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/acceptable-use-material-protected-copyright-policy>) and requirements of the copyright act (<https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html>) to ensure they are aware of the consequences of unauthorized sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions of textbooks, etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy.

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SEXUAL VIOLENCE POLICY

The University recognizes that all members of the University Community should be able to learn, work, teach and live in an environment where they are free from harassment, discrimination, and violence. The University of Calgary's sexual violence policy guides us in how we respond to incidents of sexual violence, including supports available to those who have experienced or witnessed sexual violence, or those who are alleged to have committed sexual violence. It provides clear response procedures and timelines, defines complex concepts, and addresses incidents that occur off-campus in certain

circumstances. Please see the policy available at <https://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/sexual-violence-policy.pdf>

***OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Please visit the Registrar's website at: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines> for additional important information on the following:

- Wellness and Mental Health Resources
- Student Success
- Student Ombuds Office
- Student Union (SU) Information
- Graduate Students' Association (GSA) Information
- Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points
- Safewalk