ANTH 203 (LEC01)
Introduction to Social and Cultural Anthropology
GFC Hours 3-0

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COURSE DESCRIPTION
The nature of human society: its elements, its variability and its perpetuation. Comparisons of institutions (political, economic, religious, educational and sexual) in both small-scale and large-scale societies.

Prerequisite(s): N/A

READINGS AND TEXTBOOKS

• Required textbook
  * The textbook is available at the university bookstore.
  * NB. There is a textbook with a similar title to the above one – Muckle and de González’s “Through the Lens of Anthropology: An Introduction to Human Evolution and Culture, 3rd Edition” (2022). This is NOT our textbook. Don’t be confused!

• Additional (required and recommended) readings and films
  * Links and a complete reading list are provided on D2L.

REQUIRED TECHNOLOGY AND EQUIPMENT

• Computer with broadband internet connection
  * If you do not have your own computer, you can use a computer at the library.
  * https://library.ucalgary.ca/

LEARNING OUTCOMES
The Department of Anthropology and Archaeology is committed to student knowledge and skill development. Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

• outline and interpret anthropological key terms and concepts.
• demonstrate cultural sensitivity and a culturally-conscious attitude.
• analyze social phenomena happening in their everyday life through an anthropological lens.
• critically think of social/cultural phenomena and to justify the idea that anthropology is a tool to understand the complexity of the world.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSESSMENT

• Syllabus Quiz 3% 30 min open Sept 30 – Oct 3
• Midterm Exam #1 27% 50 min open Oct 17-18
• Midterm Exam #2 30% 50 min open Nov 18-19
• Final Exam 40% 90 min Exam Week (Dec)

1. All assessments (quiz and exams) are conducted online. You will find them in D2L in “Quizzes” at the top (on the Navigation bar).

2. All the exams are multiple-choice. Students will not be informed of the number of questions in each exam. The quiz and tests are open-book format, meaning that you can consult class materials while completing the tests. Class materials include lecture slides, your lecture notes, the videos and video narratives, the required readings, notes you took from the required readings, any information share in Q&A sessions in class or D2L, and any notes or summaries that you prepared to help yourself study.

3. You can consult class materials (see above) while completing the tests, but nothing else. You are not permitted to:
   a) look up answers using internet search engines such as Google. This really wouldn’t help you anyway since the questions are specific to the class and hopefully not simple to google the answer to.
   b) communicate with other people in any way (remote or in-person) during the test
   c) share test information during or after you have taken the test, capture (screen shot or photo) or share images of the question at any time.

All of these constitute academic dishonesty, and all suspected cases will be pursued.

4. For Syllabus Quiz, you will have 30 minutes to complete. For Midterm One and Two, you will have 50 minutes while the test time of Final Exam is 90 minutes (The original test time is 60 minutes, plus 30 extra minutes).

5. Once you start your test it will stay open for the allotted time only. Keep track of the time, as the exam will close after the allotted time, whether you have answered all questions or not, just as it would if you were writing it in class in person.

6. The weight of each assessment are stated above. For example, Midterm Exam #1 is worth 27% of a total.

7. The Syllabus Quiz asks questions about the protocol of this course, stated in the course syllabus and explained in the class. The Syllabus Quiz will be accessible on D2L for 95 hours, i.e., from 11 AM, September 30 until 10 AM of October 3. You can start the quiz any time you like through D2L during this time window.

8. Midterm One and Two will begin at the class start time of the exam day and will be accessible for 24 hours. In other words, you can access
a) Midterm Exam #1 from 10 AM, October 17 until 10 AM October 18 and Midterm Exam #2 from 10 AM, November 18 until 10 AM November 19. In a similar fashion, Final Exam are available for 24 hours on D2L. The Registrar’s Office will schedule Final Exam. They will announce the time and date for the exam a month before the examination. See https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/preparing-final-exams.

9. You can take a break and walk away from your computer if you like but do not logout. If you lose your Wi-Fi connection, usually you will be able to get back in to finish the test when it is restored, although the clock will be running the whole time.

10. If you can, avoid waiting until that last 2 -3 hours of the 24-hour window because this can be a time of high traffic which can slow down how quickly you can save an answer and move to the next. Also, if you start so late that you need to go over the 24-hour window to complete the test, it will let you, BUT if you lose your internet connection or your browser closes you will not be able to get back in, and this is not something we can accommodate after the fact.

11. The 24-hour window is intended to allow you to
   a) find the best time (fewest distractions etc)
   b) find the best place (good computer and Wi-Fi connection)
   c) spread out and have easy access to allowable materials

12. While taking the test. It is up to you to ensure that you have a good space to work in, with access to a decent device and a secure internet connection. A small number of workstations are available for booking in TFDL https://library.ucalgary.ca/services/bookings. Be sure to plan ahead. We cannot accommodate problems that arise from you not having prepared for this in advance. If our classroom (place and time) is the best for you to take the test, it will be available for you to use, and we (prof and TA) will be present. But see next item:

13. We do not answer questions during exams whether remote or in-person. Everyone has access to the same information, and it is not fair for us to provide additional information or clarification to some students and not others. We are happy to handle questions or concerns about the tests individually in the days following the tests, whether in-person or via email communication.

14. Completion of all four assessments is not required to pass the course, although it is unlikely that with a zero score on one of the main three exams (Midterms and Final) you could still have above 50% as your final mark overall.

Missed Examinations

Missed tests automatically receive a score of zero. Students may 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. 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. 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.

Missed examinations cannot be made up without the approval of the instructor. Students who miss a exam have up to 24 hours to contact the instructor to ask for a makeup exam. It is at the instructor’s discretion if they will allow a make-up exam. Students who do not schedule a makeup exam with the instructor
within this **24-hour period** forfeit the right to a makeup exam. At the instructor’s discretion, a makeup exam may differ significantly (in form and/or content) from a regularly scheduled exam. Once approved by the instructor a makeup exam must be written within **10 days** of the missed exam on a day/time scheduled by the instructor.

**Note:** Deferral of the **registrar-scheduled final exam** requires Registrar approval. https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred-final-exams

**Reappraisal of Graded Term Work:** [http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html](http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-2.html)

**Reappraisal of Final Grade:** [http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-3.html](http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/i-3.html)

### DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY AND ARCHAEOLOGY GRADING SCHEME

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*Please note that no extra credit or ‘make up’ work is available in this class.*

*You do not need to pass each course component to earn a passing grade in the class.*

### COURSE POLICIES

**Email policy**

Since the class is very large, please refrain from emailing the instructor to ask general questions, such as questions about the course outline, exam format, and quizzes. Please ask general questions in the forum of D2L because other students are likely to have the same questions as you do. I will answer your questions asked in the forum, or your fellow students may answer before me. This way, we can share FAQs and their answers. The TA can also help you find answers to your general questions. I also posted the FAQs sheet in D2L, so you can check with that.

If you have a personal question or concern, then you can reach the instructor or the TA at the above email addresses (not on the phone). When emailing the TA or myself, please include the word “ANTH203” in the subject line of email message. We appreciate concise and appropriate email messages. We will attempt to respond to emails in a timely fashion, that is, within two working days. The volume of messages we receive may mean responding beyond this period.
UNIVERSITY POLICIES

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 INTEGRITY POLICY

Academic integrity is the foundation of the development and acquisition of knowledge and is based on values of honesty, trust, responsibility, and respect. We expect members of our community to act with integrity. The University Calendar includes a statement on the principles of conduct expected of all members of the university community (including students, faculty, administrators, any category of staff, practicum supervisors, and volunteers), whether on or off university property. This statement applies in all situations where members of the university community are acting in their university capacities. All members of the university community have a responsibility to familiarize themselves with the principles of conduct statement, which is available at: www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic honesty and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect.

Academic dishonesty is not an acceptable activity at the University of Calgary, and students are strongly advised to read the Student Misconduct section in the University Calendar at: www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-3.html. Often, students are unaware of what constitutes academic dishonesty or plagiarism. The most common are (1) presenting another student’s work as your own, (2) presenting an author’s work or ideas as your own without adequate citation, and (3) using work completed for another course. Such activities will not be tolerated in this course, and students suspected of academic misconduct will be dealt with according to the procedures outlined in the calendar at: https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/student-academic-misconduct-procedure

For students wishing to know more about what constitutes plagiarism and how to properly cite the work of others, the Department of Geography recommends that they attend Academic Integrity workshops offered through the Student Success Centre: https://www.ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity

INSTRUCTOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Course materials created by professor(s) (including course outlines, presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the professor(s). These materials may NOT be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit consent of the professor. The
posting of course materials to third party websites such as note-sharing sites without permission is prohibited. Sharing of extracts of these course materials with other students enrolled in the course at the same time may be allowed under fair dealing. Information on Instructor Intellectual Property can be found at https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/university-policies-procedures/intellectual-property-policy

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.

SUPPORTS FOR STUDENT LEARNING, SUCCESS, AND SAFETY
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 Centre
- Student Ombuds Office
- Student Union (SU) Information
- Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points
- Safewalk

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## TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE

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### IMPORTANT DATES

- **Sep 15, R:** Last day to drop a class without a penalty (no “W” notation and **still receive a tuition fee refund**).
- **Sep 16, F:** Last day to add or swap a course.
- **Sep 23, F:** Fee payment deadline for Fall Term full and half courses.
- **Dec 7, W:** Last day to withdraw from this course.

https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html#fall2017