INTRODUCTION TO CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY (ANTH 2)—Spring 2015

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COURSE DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVES

Catalog Description*:* **ANTH 2. Introduction to Cultural Anthropology** Introduction to anthropological approaches to the study of people and cultures. Using ethnographic case studies, the course contributes to a critical understanding of continuity and diversity in peoples' lifestyles, social institutions, and cultural practices in different societies around the world. The course also examines the impact of political, economic, and social changes, such as colonization, decolonization, and globalization on people and cultures over the last century. 3 Units (CAN ANTH 004).

Student Learning Outcomes: This course meets the **University's GE Requirement for Area D:** *Foundations in Social and Behavioral Sciences***:** 1) Describe and evaluate ethical and social values in their historical and cultural contexts. 2) Explain and apply the principles and methods of academic disciplines to the study of social and individual behavior. 3) Demonstrate an understanding of the role of human diversity in human society, for example, race, ethnicity, class, age, ability/disability, sexual identity, gender and gender expression. 4) Explain and critically examine social dynamics and issues in their historical and cultural contexts. Students will meet the **GE Lower Division Writing Requirement** by responding to a one-page essay prompt posted to SacCT (see Week 11 on course calendar).

COURSE MATERIALS

McGraw Hill *Connect Plus*: This course uses an E-textbook (Smart Book) and set of adaptive learning resources designed to enhance your reading comprehension. You will purchase access to *Connect Plus* directly through our SacCT/Blackboard course site. Graded assignments using *Connect Plus* begin the first week of class (though you may use the 2-week free trial period to get started). Note: when registering for *Connect Plus*, you **MUST** use your **saclink e-mail** address.

SacCT Articles: Additional readings are posted to the relevant chapter tabs on our SacCT course site.

Scantrons: You will need three 882-E scantron forms and a no. 2 pencil (see exam format on p. 3).

WEB-ASSISTED COURSE STRUCTURE

The format for the course is classroom-based lecture and discussion, with weekly reading assignments and chapter quizzes completed on SacCT (once you have registered for Connect Plus, SacCT will seamlessly link quiz and LearnSmart resources to our SacCT course site). Exams are administered in class.

ONLINE REQUIREMENTS

Technology: Computer (or computer access in a university computer lab). Internet connection (DSL, LAN, or cable connection desirable) for access to SacCT and our Connect assignments and quizzes (see below). Do **not** attempt assignments or quizzes from a dial-up connection or from a smart phone/device.

SᴀᴄCT

SacCT –also known as *Blackboard* (Bb)—is the electronic course management system used by Sacramento State. You will use it to access your syllabus, supplementary course readings, assignment instructions, grades, weekly LearnSmart modules and quizzes, and occasional announcements. If you are new to the University or to the SacCT/Blackboard system, you may find it helpful to watch the SacCT student tutorials linked below.

MORE ABOUT CONNECT PLUS

Connect Plus is a web-based textbook, adaptive study tool, and assignment platform. It will assist you with our course goals by recognizing, assessing and adapting to your reading and comprehension needs. As noted in the evaluation portion of this syllabus, Connect *LearnSmart* weekly modules and online Connect-based quizzes comprise a significant portion of your overall course grade (360 of 1000 total points). Once you have registered for *Connect Plus* you will access these resources via a single login to SacCT.

To Purchase and Register for *Connect Plus*: Sign into our Blackboard course and go to the "Tools" menu. Click on the "McGraw-Hill Education" link. Below "My Connect Section," click **Go to My Connect Section** and follow the on-screen instructions. **You MUST register with** your **Saclink email account.**

Problems with Connect: If you encounter any issues while registering for or using *Connect*, contact McGraw-Hill's Customer Experience team: http://www.mhhe.com/support. To avoid problems related to unexpected technical issues, **do not wait until the last moment to complete assignments.** Be sure to review the *Connect-Blackboard Student Quick Tips* * below, and **always** use your saclink email address.

SᴀᴄCT AND CONNECT DIGITAL RESOURCES

* Tips: http://highered.mcgraw-hill.com/olc2/dl/866234/Connect_Blackboard_Student_Quick_Tips.pdf
SacCT/Blackboard Student Tutorial: www.csus.edu/sacct/student/index.stm#gettingstarted

COURSE EVALUATION

Your performance in this class is evaluated on a cumulative point system, as detailed below:

Activity	Point Value
Exams (3@200 pts. ea)	600
Chapter Quizzes (12@ 10 pts. ea)	120
Connect *LearnSmart* Modules (12 @ 20 pts. ea.)	240
Kinship Diagram	20
Writing Assignment	20
	1000

GRADING SCALE

A = 900 – 1000 points	D = 600 – 699 points
B = 800 – 899 points	F = 000 – 599 points
C = 700 – 799 points	

EXAMINATION FORMAT

Three exams will be administered over the course of the semester: two midterms and a non- comprehensive final (see course schedule). Each will feature 50 objective questions (multiple choice, matching and true/false) drawn from our textbook, supplementary readings, film/videos and lecture. These must be taken in class and require an 882-E scantron form.

ASSIGNMENT DEADLINES

Due Dates and Times: Pay careful attention to the deadlines for *LearnSmart* assignments and chapter quizzes posted to SacCT. These are firm deadlines and count toward a significant portion of your grade. Any changes to the course schedule will be announced on SacCT and emailed to your university email account. Be sure to login to both on a regular basis.

COURSE POLICIES

Attendance: Students are expected to attend all class sessions as listed on the course calendar and to participate in class discussion. Please do not arrive late to class. Students who arrive late or depart early disrupt the teaching and learning process for us all; please be considerate of your professor and peers.

Email Addresses: **email correspondence must come from your Saclink account**; I will only respond to emails from university accounts. Also remember that you must your Saclink email when you register for *Connect Plus*. This will help ensure that your grades will properly flow into your SacCT grade center.

Make-up Policy for Examinations: An excused absence on examination days will require you to take your makeup exam in the Testing Center (no more than one exam per semester may be taken as a makeup). It is your responsibility to request my permission to take a make-up and to submit documentation supporting your request for an excused absence from the regularly scheduled exam. Requests should be submitted by email (or in person) no later than the missed exam date. In most instances, I will expect relevant documentation to be submitted by the next class period. Please note: the Testing Center has its own hours and fee requirements; be sure to go prepared. The Final Exam must be taken during its regularly scheduled period (see attached course schedule) and may not be taken as a make-up exam.

Missed Quizzes: Chapter quizzes may not be taken late or made up (see Assignment Deadlines above).

Extra Credit: Every student may earn up to 20 extra credit points. Extra credit opportunities are offered in class, and may occur as group work. No extra credit may be earned after the final exam.

Cell Phones, Laptops & Tablets: Please silence or turn off cell phones during class. Laptops and tablets are permitted for note-taking only as other uses pose a distraction to those seated around you. During exams, cell phones must be in backpacks and/or purses (no exceptions).

SSWD: If you have a documented disability and verification from the Office of Services to Students with Disabilities (SSWD) and wish to discuss academic accommodations, please contact me soon as possible. It is your responsibility to provide documentation of disability to SSWD and to meet with a SSWD counselor to request special accommodation before classes start.

Academic Integrity: Cheating on examinations and/or plagiarism will result in a score of zero on the assignment in question and may result in your permanent dismissal. Please review the university policy on academic honesty: http://www.csus.edu/umanual/AcademicHonestyPolicyandProcedures.htm.

COURSE SCHEDULE
(All assignments and due dates also noted on SacCT.)

Week	Date	Chapter/Topic	Assignments	Quiz & Exam Due Dates/Times *Quizzes open at 3 pm (for 24 hours)*
1	1/27 1/29	**Course & Connect Introduction** **Chpt. 1** What is Anthropology	Register for Connect Plus (w/**Saclink eMail only!**) Kottak (K*) 1; LearnSmart (LS) Module 1	
2	2/3 2/5	What is Anthropology? (cont'd)	LS Module 1 (Completed by 11am)	Quiz 1 (opens at 3 pm)
3	2/10 2/12	**Chpt. 2** Culture	LS Module 2 (by 11 am) Article #1 (Miner)	Quiz 2 (opens at 3 pm)
4	2/17 2/19	**Chpt. 3** Method & Theory	LS Module 3 (by 11 am) Article #2 (Boellstorff)	Quiz 3 (opens at 3 pm)
5	2/24 2/26	**Chpt. 4** Applying Anthropology	LS Module 4 (by 11 am) Article #3 (Scheper-Hughes)	Quiz 4 (opens at 3 pm)
6	3/3 3/5	➔ **Chpt. 5** Language & Communication	**Bring Pencil & Scantron** (Module 5 opens @3 today) LS Module 5 (by 11 am)	**Midterm 1** Quiz 5 (opens at 3 pm)
7	3/10 3/12	**Chpt. 6** Ethnicity & Race	LS Module 6 (by 11 am)	Quiz 6 (opens at 3 pm)
8	3/17 3/19	**Chpt. 7** Making a Living	K 7; LS Module 7 (by 11 am)	Quiz 7 (opens at 3 pm)
9		**Spring Break**		
10	3/31 4/2	**Caesar Chavez Day** **Chpt. 8** Political Systems	**No Class** LS Module 8 (by 11 am); Article #4 (Lee)	
11	4/7 4/9	Political Systems (cont'd)	Writing Assignment (due by 11 am via SacCT)	Quiz 8 (opens at 3 pm)
12	4/14 4/16	➔ **Chpt. 9** Gender	**Bring Pencil & Scantron** (Module 9 opens @3 today) LS Module 9 (due 11 am)	**Midterm 2**
13	4/21 4/23	Gender (cont'd)	Film (Paris is Burning?, Small Happiness?)	Quiz 9 (opens at 3 pm)
14	4/28 4/30	**Chpt. 10** Families, Kinship & Descent	LS Module 10 (by 11 am) Kinship Assignment due in hardcopy in class	Quiz 10 (opens at 3 pm)
15	5/5 5/7	**Chpt. 11** Marriage	LS Module 11 (by 11 am) Article #5 (Goldstein)	Quiz 11 (opens at 3 pm)
16	5/12 5/14	**Chpt. 12** Religion	LS Module 12	Quiz 12 (opens at 3 pm)
17	5/21	**Final Exam** *(Thursday, 12:45-1:45 pm; NOT 12:45-2:45)*		

* K = Kottak Chapter; LS = LearnSmart; Quiz= Connect Quiz

NOTE: As a rule, *LearnSmart* modules become available at 3 pm on the opening date for the previous chapter's quiz and must be completed by 11 am on the days noted above (center column). For example, Chapter 2 becomes available at 3 pm on February 5 and must be completed by 11 am on February 10. The only variation to this pattern occurs in relation to midterm exams (when *LearnSmart* Modules for the next chapter do not become available until 3 pm on the date of the Midterm). Quizzes become available at 3 pm on the "due" dates that appear above and must be submitted within 24 hours (i.e. Fridays, by 3 pm). **NOTE:** Once you begin your quiz, you have 30 minutes to complete it (see chapter modules in SacCT for additional clarification). This schedule is subject to change at the instructor's discretion.