

ANTHROPOLOGY 1000
Peoples and Cultures of the World
Winter 2025
Online asynchronous

Professor: Sarah Holmes
E-mail: sarah.holmes@uconn.edu

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES:

An introduction to the anthropological understanding of human society through ethnographic case studies of selected peoples and cultures, exploring the richness and variety of human life. Encourages students to learn about different cultures and to apply their knowledge to make sense of their own society.

ANTH 1000 is a General Education course that fulfills CA 2, CA 4-INT requirements.

BIOGRAPHY

I am a public archaeologist and ethnohistorian working in Cultural Resource Management (CRM). I consult for federal, state and town governments, engineering firms and tribal nations throughout southern New England and New York. My areas of concentration are early land deed research, Indigenous and colonial land law, landscape studies, archaeological field survey, excavation and GIS mapping.

COURSE MATERIALS: All course materials are provided for you

- Voiceover Powerpoints Chapter 1 thru 14 are based on the text *Culture Counts: A Concise Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (4th edition)*. Nanda, Serena, Richard L. Warms. Wadsworth - Cengage: 2018. This text is not required
- Online content: links to articles and live streaming films and PDFs posted on HuskyCt,

GRADING:

- 75% 3 exams (25% each)
- 13% online article assignments
- 8% online film assignments
- 4% discussion board posts

EXAMS: Exams consist of multiple-choice and short answer questions and are not cumulative.

PLEASE REVIEW UNIVERSITY POLICIES REGARDING ACADEMIC, SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY AND MISCONDUCT POLICY at following link:

<https://policy.uconn.edu/2023/07/11/academic-scholarly-and-professional-integrity-and-misconduct-aspim-policy-on/>

INSTRUCTIONS

- You may work at your pace.
- The course is divided into three modules
- Each week represents one module with one exam for each
- Please listen to voiceover PowerPoints for each chapter and review the PowerPoint PDFs for further instruction regarding discussion board posts.
- There are additional links to short films embedded in the PowerPoint PDFs that you are encouraged to review only, with no discussion board requirement.
- Articles and films can be viewed or submitted on your own time schedule but must be completed prior to the exam for each module.
- Each exam is timed for 2 hours - once you enter the exam you will not be able to exit and get back in.
- Articles are posted as PDFs on Huskyct, from online links or live-streaming video.
- You may contact me via email, and if needed by appointment thru Webex.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Students are encouraged to contact me with any concerns or issues involving the course content. The Academic Center also provides tutors, writing, and computer workshops for students.

NEED TECHNICAL HELP? Refer to “student help” link on Huskyct page.

MODULE 1

Week 1

December 30th thru Jan 5th

What is Anthropology and Why Should I Care?	Ch 1
Culture Counts	Ch 2
<i>Der Indianer</i> - article and discussion board post	

Doing Cultural Anthropology (Nanda)	Ch 3
<i>Eating Christmas in the Kalahari</i> - article	
<i>Slumber's Unexplored Landscape</i> - article	
HRAF Files discussion board post	

Communication (Nanda)	Ch 4
<i>How Language Shapes Thought</i> - article	
<i>My Two Minds</i> - article	
<i>A's Nutayuneá'n: We Still Live Here</i> - film	
Discussion board post on New York Times dialect quiz	

Exam #1 Chapters 1-4

MODULE 2	Jan 8th thru Jan 12th	
	Making a Living: Subsistence Strategies (Nanda)	Ch 5
	<i>The Road: Sheep on the Move in Georgia</i> - film	
	Michael Pollan & From Amazon to Garden City - discussion board posts	
	Economics (Nanda)	Ch 6
	<i>Ties That Bind</i>	
	<i>Ongka's Big Moka</i>	
	Political Organization (Nanda)	Ch 7
	<i>A Terrible Shame</i>	
	Discussion board post - Internet shaming	
	Tribal courts in California – discussion board post	
	Stratification: Class, Race, Ethnicity, and Caste (Nanda)	Ch 8
	<i>Sick of Poverty</i> – article & discussion board post	
	<i>The Flagmakers</i> - film & discussion board post	
	Exam #2 - Chapters 5-8	
MODULE 3	Jan 15th thru Jan 19th	
	Marriage, Family, and Kinship (Nanda)	Ch 9
	<i>When Brother's Share a Wife</i> - article	
	Discussion board post on polyandry and the Mosuo (Na)	
	Sex and Gender (Nanda)	Ch 10
	<i>The Berdache Tradition</i> - article	
	<i>Raising Cain</i> - film	
	Religion (Nanda)	Ch 11
	<i>Shamanisms, Past & Present</i> - article	
	<i>Reel Injun</i> - film - focus on the Arts - replaces Chapter 12	
	Discussion board post on Museum of the American Indian	
	Power, Conquest, and a World System (Nanda)	Ch 13
	Globalization and Change (Nanda)	Ch 14
	<i>The Sad Truth About</i> - article	
	<i>Uncontacted Tribes and Saving Our Identity: an Uphill Battle for the Tuva China</i> - article	
	Discussion board post: Survival International	
	Exam #3 - Chapters 9-11, 13 & 14	