

ANT 113 - INTRO TO CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Course Description

The study of the role of society and culture in humankind's adaptation to a variety of environments is the focus of this course. A variety of cultures are studied, utilizing cross-cultural comparisons. This is an introductory course which provides a broad overview of the four fields of anthropology with some concentration on archaeology. Among topics considered are field methods, theories of cultural evolution, the family, kinship, economics, religion, political organization and language. Group 1 course.

Credit Hours

3

Contact Hours

3

Lecture Hours

3

Required Prerequisites

ENG 99 or placement into ENG 11/111

General Education Outcomes supported by this course

Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct

Other college designations supported by this course

Degree Req:Cultural Persp/Div

Course Learning Outcomes

Knowledge:

- Describe the concept of culture from an anthropological perspective.
- Explain research methodology used by anthropologists in studying cultures.
- Recognize the world contains many human cultures within societies.
- Explain that cultural solutions relate to a society's cultural norms consisting of a variety of plausible solutions.

Application:

- Examine cultures from many different locations and time periods.
- Interpret these cultures for a fuller appreciation of the prehistory and history of specific locales.

Integration:

- Explain the connection between culture and how it shapes the world view of other peoples.
- Use anthropological methodologies to compare and contrast cultural patterns in society.

Human Dimension:

- Understand how to interact with other people and cultures through their acquired anthropological knowledge.

Caring - Civic Learning:

- Will appreciate the cultural traditions of a diversity of peoples.
- Develop empathy and understanding of many other cultures.

Learning How to Learn:

- Apply cultural concepts in considering "real world" problems relating to cultures.
- Reflect upon solutions other cultures have used in problem-solving applications.