SECTION SYLLABUS

Anthropology 2
Introductory Cultural Anthropology
Summer Session A - 2013

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Office Hours: Wednesday 12:45PM - 2:45PM

Sections

Friday, 11:00AM – 12:10PM (HSSB 2201) Friday, 12:30PM – 1:40PM (HSSB 2201) Friday, 2:00PM – 3:10PM (HSSB 2201)

Expectations

The purpose of discussion section is to supplement and enhance the class lectures. In these sessions, we will discuss the information and assigned readings for the course, as well as additional content that you may be asked to submit. You are required to come to class having read **all** of the assigned material for a given week, so that we can discuss them during section. Discussion section is not a place for your T.A. to give additional lectures regarding course material. It is a place for class discussion, which will often be student-led. The questions brought in by students each week will help stimulate our discussions and will allow us to address inquiries, concerns, and issues you may have about the weekly course topics.

Beginning in Week 1, each student is required to bring at least **3** questions to class based on the week's assigned readings. These "reading questions" should be thought provoking, not mere content-based questions about specific materials in the readings. These **MUST BE TYPED/PRINTED** and handed in at the end of discussion section. We will try to use your questions as the basis of discussion when possible. Questions handwritten during discussion section or sent via email will not be accepted. I will not accept late questions. This continuing assignment will be graded as satisfactory or unsatisfactory and will help to determine your section grade (discussed further below). Each student is required to turn in a total of **5** sets of questions.

Policies

- I reserve the right to give pop quizzes regarding the assigned readings during any class meeting throughout the quarter. I will exercise this right only if I have reason to believe that students are not completing the required course readings and/or weekly study questions.
- I must approve beforehand if you, for some reason (legitimated by the university), need to attend a discussion section different from your own at some point throughout the quarter. This must be discussed with me at least one week in advance or, alternatively, you must have a verifiable excuse if it is a last minute crisis. You may *not* attend sections in which you are not enrolled for credit.
- Be respectful of your classmates. Please be punctual. While in class, please turn off your cell phones.

Grading

Your grade for discussion section (20% of your total grade for the course) will be based primarily on attendance and participation. You cannot earn participation points if you are not present. It is imperative that you come to discussion section each week and consistently engage in the class discussions. To make things easy, the grading for discussion section will be out of 100 total points, broken down as follows:

- 50 points for weekly participation
- 25 points for weekly attendance
- 25 points for the weekly questions you submit (5 points for each question set)

Tentative Schedule

| Week 1 (June 28) | Course/Section Introduction; Weekly Review & Discussion |
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| Week 2 (July 5) | Weekly Review & Discussion |
| Week 3 (July 12) | Midterm Review & Discussion |
| Week 4 (July 19) | Final Paper Review; Weekly Review & Discussion |
| Week 5 (July 26) | Final Review & Discussion |
| Week 6 (August 2) | Optional Final Review |

Keys to Success

- 1) Read the assigned weekly readings prior to lecture and section.
- 2) Attend all lectures, films, and discussion sections.
- 3) Attend every section ready to discuss the week's material.
- 4) Engage in active note taking and review in both lecture and discussion section.
- 5) Do not wait until the last minute to email me with questions. *Put "ANTH 2" in the subject line of **all** emails.
- 6) Come to me with questions and/or concerns as soon as possible.

^{*}Any pop quizzes will be graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory and will determine your attendance points for the given class period.