

ANTH 107 Test 3

This exam is to be completed independently without discussion with other students or individuals outside the class. Please limit your sources and references to class materials only (anything that has appeared on lecture slides, student presentations, or in the readings can be used - information from a google search cannot be used). Be sure to put the number of the question you are answering at the start of your answer. Each answer should be double spaced with a 12-point font and at least one full page/250 words but not more than two pages/500 words.

Answer FOUR of the following SIX questions. Be sure to put the number of the question you are answering at the start of your answer. Each answer should be at least one page and not more than two pages. **Be sure to use specific examples from the archaeological record!**

The test will be available from Friday May 3rd at 6:00 am and is due May 8th at midnight. This is the last week of the semester so I will not accept and late tests after May 11th. Please plan accordingly.

- 1) What are the different hypotheses and associated controversies regarding the arrival of the first Americans and which explanation do you think is most likely? Be sure to discuss the archaeological and genetic evidence.
- 2) What are the different hypotheses for the origins of agriculture? Which one do you think is most likely and why?
- 3) How are complex societies recognized in the archaeological record? Where are some of the earliest complex societies found?
- 4) What are the characteristics and cultural innovations associated with the Upper Paleolithic?
- 5) What changes are seen in Mesopotamia after the transition to complexity? Be sure to discuss the role of the temple.
- 6) Discuss the importance of religion and symbolism in the rise of complexity in Mesoamerica (Olmec/Maya).

Optional Question for 5 extra points: Discuss any topic that we have covered in the class and tell me why you found it interesting along with the reason this topic is significant to our understanding of the past.

PAGE 1

PAGE 6