ANTH 217: Cultural Anthropology

Anthropology is the study of human beings and non-human primates across the globe both today and as they existed deep into the far reaches of the past. The discipline is holistic, so it aims to understand human beings across time and space. The primary objective of this course is to introduce learners to the four primary subfields of anthropology: biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, linguistic anthropology, and archaeology. Learners will also gain an understanding of medical and applied anthropology. All of the subfields each grapple with different, and many times overlapping, issues regarding what it means to be human.

Credits 3

Prerequisites

- May be taken concurrently.

Prerequisite Courses

LIBR 150

ENGL 111

Course Outcomes

After successfully completing the course, the learner will be able to:

- Demonstrate ability to critically utilize anthropological analysis through readings, assignments, viewings, and/or discussions-
- Demonstrate ability to communicate effectively in oral, written, visual media, and/or work collaboratively.
- Demonstrate ability to integrate information from multiple venues in readings, written work, lectures, self-reflection, and/or films.
- Demonstrate understanding of individual and social responsibility through identifying and envisioning a more equal and just society.
- Demonstrate ability to collaborate effectively in a context of diversity.
- Demonstrate basic knowledge of human biological evolution, archaeology, anthropological linguistics, sociocultural and the application of knowledge to real-world issues.
- Articulate a basic understanding of the economic, social, and political and environmental factors shaping human biological evolution and sociocultural systems.
- Demonstrate ability to connect individual experiences to institutional patterns in relation to race & ethnicity, gender & sexuality, class & caste, religion & worldviews.

Competency

Behavioral and Social Understanding

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