WHAT’S HAPPENING IN ANTHROPOLOGY THIS FALL?

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Find out more!
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
ANTH 2322
GLOBAL CULTURES*

This course introduces students to key anthropological concepts. Readings for this course will focus on diverse geographical areas and incorporate a critical appreciation of the discipline of anthropology to understand cultural variation and cultural constructions of reality. Through a mix of lectures, films, and discussions this course is also designed to encourage students to develop an analytical approach to their own everyday practices.

*Required course for BA in Anthropology.
Fulfills the Language, Philosophy, and Culture UTA Core requirement.

Online – Asynchronous
Dr. Amy Speier (Speier@uta.edu)

ANTH 1306
INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

Anthropology is the study of humanity, past and present, and around the world. In this overview of the discipline you will learn about archaeology, biological anthropology, cultural anthropology, and linguistics. Anthropology imparts invaluable core knowledge about human cultural and biological history, lending itself flexibly as a tool to refine your interests and expand the curiosity you bring to higher education. The goal of this course is to build anthropological knowledge you can use for the rest of your life.

This course is intended for non-majors.
Fulfills the Social and Behavioral Sciences UTA Core requirement.

T/TH 9:30-10:50 AM
Meets Online - Asynchronous
Dr. Shelley Smith (slsmith@uta.edu)

Meets Online - Asynchronous
Dr. Luis Plascencia (Luis.Plascencia@uta.edu)

ANTH 2307
BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY*

Biological (or physical) anthropology is the study of human variation and evolution. This course provides the foundation for further study of human variation, evolution, anatomy, and is recommended for anyone with an interest in a career related to human biology, including forensics, medicine, and archaeology. Included within the discipline is the subfield of primatology; anthropologists study non-human primates both for their own sakes and for the insights they provide into the evolution of humans. Three broad topical areas are covered in this course:
Genetics, human variation & adaptation; Primate anatomy, behavior, & evolution; and Hominin evolution.

*Required course for BA in Anthropology
Counts toward COLA’s certificate in Medical Humanities

T/TH 9:30 – 10:50 AM
Hybrid course - meets Online and Face to Face
Dr. Naomi Cleghorn (Cleghorn@uta.edu)

ANTH 2339
INTRODUCTION TO ARCHAEOLOGY*

How do we know what happened in the past when we don’t have any written or oral records of what occurred? The answer is archaeology--the scientific study of the past through the material remains of past human activity. In this course you will learn about the changing social, cultural, and environmental dimensions of the human past and the methods and theories archaeologists use to uncover this past.

*Required course for BA in Anthropology.
Fulfills the Social and Behavioral Sciences UTA Core requirement.

M/W 1:00 – 2:20 PM
Meets Online - Asynchronous
Dr. Ashley Lemke (Ashley.Lemke@uta.edu)
ANTH 3300  
DEBATES IN CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Explores core concepts, critiques of past applications, and current challenges of theory and practice in cultural anthropology.

Course limited to 20 seats – enroll early!

Fulfills the Theory requirement for the BA in Anthropology.

M/W 2:30 – 3:50 PM
Hybrid course - meets Online and Face to Face.
Contact instructor for more information on schedule.

Dr. Amy Speier (Speier@uta.edu)

ANTH 3335 / COMM 4393.002  
GANDHI: CULTURE AND POLITICS IN A GLOBAL WORLD

Almost sixty years since his assassination, why does Gandhi (1869-1948) continue to fascinate people worldwide? This course will begin with a biographical account of Mahatma Gandhi, and proceed from there to various interpretations of the man, his life, his philosophy, and his influence in anti-colonial politics, with reference to India and South Africa. We will read about his thoughts on religion, vegetarianism, abstinence, health and non-violence. His influence in inspiring social protests and on the course of race relations in South Africa, and his impact on such leaders as Martin Luther King, Jr. will also form a part of our readings. We will also look at Gandhi’s analysis and solutions for combating social inequality in relation to gender and economics. This course will conclude with a discussion of the ways in which our contemporary world has branded Gandhi and the screening of the film "Gandhi in Mexico." Instruction through lecture, film, Gandhi’s letters and writings, Martin Luther King Jr’s writings and sermons, and Nelson Mandela’s writings and interviews.

MWF 8:00 – 8:50 AM
Meets Online - Asynchronous

Dr. Ritu Khanduri (Khanduri@uta.edu)

ANTH 3316 / MAS 3316 / SOCI 3360  
LATINO HEALTH ISSUES

A U.S. cross cultural examination of issues in Latino Health and relevant health practices. The course will explore, through both a sociological and anthropological lens, the current cultural landscape of Latino health. We will pay close attention to the Latino threat narrative, acculturation histories of major Latino ethnic enclaves in the U.S. as well as health care status, trends and responses with regard to this group. Most minority health research gives little attention to the socio-economic and institutional factors contributing to ill-health and disease patterns in the Latino community. This course will include political, social, cultural, economic, environmental, and biological factors associated with differences in health status and disease frequency among the Latino population.

Counts toward COLA’s certificate in Medical Humanities

T/TH 5:30-6:50 PM
Meets Online - Synchronous

Dr. Isabel Montemayor (Isabel.Montemayor@uta.edu)
ANTH 3332
FOOD AND CULTURE

This course considers the relationship of food and culture as it affects human biology and health, influences the course of human history and shapes our experience as individuals and as members of communities. The scope of the course will be broad, including food production, exchange, and consumption from biological, cultural, ecological and political-economic perspectives. We will also address food patterns and beliefs in terms of history, meaning, and symbolism. We will spend some time on topics such as the development of cuisines, food preferences, food and economic development, world hunger, food and religion, globalization, and food bioterrorism.

M/W 1:00-2:20 PM
Meets Online - Asynchronous
Dr. Amy Speier (Speier@uta.edu)

ANTH 3339
URBAN ANTHROPOLOGY

Examination of contemporary patterns of urban life in non-Western and Western societies, with special emphasis on intra-urban and rural-urban differences. Ethnicity, cultural pluralism, and socioeconomic stratification will be analyzed in the context of global, regional, national, and local patterns of urbanization.

T/TH 2:00-3:20 PM
Meets Online - Synchronous & Asynchronous
Dr. Luis Plascencia (Luis.Plascencia@uta.edu)

ANTH 3343
APPLIED ANTHROPOLOGY

This course examines the application of anthropological knowledge to solve practical problems in today's global world. More than ever, anthropologists are finding jobs outside academia as experts, advocates, and consultants to address issues of health, business practices, economic development, environment protection, human rights, and other issues in government and non-profit organizations. We will learn how anthropological concepts, methods, and insights can be applied to understand and solve important human problems. We will review the major areas of applied anthropology, combining theoretical issues with concrete ethnographic examples. Topics include economic development, health, international business, environmental problems, and advocacy anthropology, among others.

T/TH 11:00 – 12:30 PM
Hybrid course - meets Online and Face to Face
Dr. Christian Zlolniski (chrisz@uta.edu)
ANTH 3369 / SOCI 3360.002
MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY / MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY

This course will offer a general introduction to the field of medical anthropology/medical sociology. Medical anthropologists study the relationships among culture, society, the environment, disease, health, and healing. Specific topics include the cultural construction and organization of medical systems, patients and healers, health and development, global disparities in health and disease, nutritional anthropology, biocultural aspects of disease, bioethical debates, and practical applications of medical anthropology. Instruction is via lecture, reading, video, internet materials and class discussion.

Counts toward COLA’s certificate in Medical Humanities

ANTH 3366/ WOMS 3366
SEX, GENDER AND CULTURE

This course is an exploration of anthropological perspectives on sex and gender in a variety of cultural contexts. Topics to be covered include the relationship between biology and culture, the cultural construction of gender and sexuality, and ways in which belief systems, institutions, and material culture reflect and incorporate gender issues. We will also consider colonialism and development through the lens of gender and consider the impact of gender and sexuality on anthropological fieldwork. Class instruction will include lectures, discussion, video, and internet resources.

MWF 10:00 – 10:50 AM
Hybrid course - meets Online and Face to Face.

Dr. Joci Ryan   (jcryan@uta.edu)

ANTH 3390 / COMM 4393.001
SPECIAL TOPICS IN ANTHROPOLOGY:
LANGUAGE IN CULTURE AND SOCIETY

How does culture affect language and communication? This exploration of language in a variety of social contexts will look at topics such as accents and dialects, body language, and differences in language use according to ethnicity, gender, social status, and age.

T/TH 12:30-1:50 PM
Meets Online - Synchronous

Dr. Samantha Cornelius   (samantha.cornelius@uta.edu)
ANTH 4406 / BIOL 4406
HUMAN OSTEOLOGY

A complete understanding of the human skeleton is essential to the study of any sub-field of biological anthropology, including bioarchaeology, human anatomy, paleoanthropology, forensic anthropology, primatology, and related fields. This class is an intensive introduction to the structure, physiology, and functional morphology of the human skeletal system, with a laboratory emphasis on identification of whole and fragmented bones. Students study the skeleton in the context of muscular, vascular, neurological, and other systems. In addition, students are briefly introduced to bioarchaeological issues, including the analysis of sex, age, and health. This class is also recommended for students planning a career in the health professions.

Course limited to 16 seats – enroll early!

Fulfills Method requirement for BA in Anthropology. Counts toward COLA’s certificate in Medical Humanities

T/TH 12:30 – 1:50 PM (Lecture – section 001)
T/TH 2:00 – 2:50 PM (Lab – Required, section 002)

Hybrid course - meets Online and Face to Face.

Dr. Naomi Cleghorn  (Cleghorn@uta.edu)
ANTH 3390/BIOl 3310.002
SPECIAL TOPICS IN ANTHROPOLOGY:
ANCIENT DISEASE & HUMAN EVOLUTION

Throughout human history, diseases have influenced societies, cultures, and human evolution. In this course, we will discuss the methods by which ancient population health and disease is investigated, including traditional paleopathology and the novel complementary methods of biomolecular paleopathology (isotopes, proteomics, and genetics). You will learn about ancient and historic plagues and pandemics that have influenced human evolution and consider the biological, environmental, cultural, and socio-political factors promoting their emergence and spread.

Elizabeth Nelson of the Department of Archaeogenetics, Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History, is completing her PhD at Max Planck, received her MA from the University of North Texas Health Sciences Center, and is a graduate of UTA’s Anthropology Program.

T/TH 9:30 – 10:50 AM
Meets Online - Synchronous & Asynchronous

ANTH 3308
FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGY

Forensic anthropology is an applied subfield of biological anthropology that provides expert analysis of skeletal remains from a medico-legal setting by utilizing methods developed from skeletal biology, archaeology, and the forensic sciences. Students will gain an understanding of the forensic anthropologist’s role in death investigations and be introduced to the theory and applied techniques utilized to recover and identify individuals. This course will be taught entirely online, through UTA’s Canvas site.

Dr. Christian Crowder, a Board Certified Diplomat of the American Board of Forensic Anthropology, has experience in the US and internationally, and is currently the forensic anthropologist for the Dallas County Medical Examiner’s Office.

Meets Online - Asynchronous
Dr. Christian Crowder  (christian.crowder@uta.edu)
ANTH 3333
NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS

Survey of indigenous peoples and cultures of North America both before and after European contact. Regional cultural geography and history is covered, as well as ethnography of specific communities. Role of American Indian studies in anthropology and representation. Problems and potential of contemporary North American Indians also addressed.

MWF 11:00 – 11:50 AM
Hybrid course - meets Online and Face to Face.

Dr. Joci Ryan  (jcryan@uta.edu)

ANTH 3360
ARCHAEOLOGY IN PRACTICE

This course will cover the practical aspects of archaeology. Archaeology is a unique type of research with many specialized tools and research questions – in this class students will learn archaeological skills and understand the life and research of archaeologists. Topics covered include learning how to design research, read a map, use a compass, use archaeological software such as GIS, and understand the laws protecting archaeological sites. Archaeology is a hands-on science and this class will focus on hands-on activities and experiential learning.

M 4:00 – 6:50 PM
Meets Online - Asynchronous

Dr. Ashley Lemke  (Ashley.Lemke@uta.edu)
ANTH 1200 / SOCI 1200
PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

A first year experience course for new students and new transfer students interested in a career in the social sciences. Provides the necessary foundation for success in a college environment while balancing personal and/or work obligations. Oriented towards the understanding of social sciences, it aims to provide students with the tools they need to succeed in their academic and professional careers. The course emphasizes critical thinking, problem-solving, and helps students develop skills that are essential for success in higher education.

Fulfills the University requirement for UNIV 1101 or UNIV 1131.

MW 8:00 – 8:50 AM
Hybrid course - meets Online and Face to Face.
LaDorna McGee  (ladorna@uta.edu)

FIELD SCHOOLS

Attending a field school is a great way to learn more about anthropology and prepare yourself for the job market and for graduate school. These links have more information. The UTA Anthropology Program usually offers field school and field research experience in the summer in Texas and in South Africa. You can also check out the links below for other opportunities.

American Anthropological Association
Society for American Archaeology
National Association for the Practice of Anthropology
Texas Archaeological Society

JOBS FOR ANTHROPOLOGISTS

Learn about the exciting jobs anthropologists are doing around the world:
http://www.thisisanthropology.org/
http://www.aaanet.org/profdev/careers/
http://careers.saa.org/jobs/

MAJOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY

The Anthropology BA requires:
• ANTH 2307 Biological Anthropology
• ANTH 2322 Global Cultures
• ANTH 2339 Introduction to Archaeology
• 1 approved ANTH approved Methods course
• 1 approved ANTH approved Theory course
• 1 advanced (3000/4000 level) SOCI elective;
• 22 additional hours of approved ANTH electives.
• 6 hours of MODL language in addition to the COLA requirement.

Contact the department advisor for the list of approved courses for method, theory, and electives. Up to 6 hours of field school credit can be applied to the ANTH electives.

Interested in majoring in anthropology? Schedule an appointment with the undergraduate advisor:

Ms. LaDorna McGee, M.A.
ladorna@uta.edu  UH 434

To schedule an Advising Appointment, please go to:
https://ugadvising.acuityscheduling.com

Walk-In Hours:
Monday Tuesday 2:00 – 4:00 PM
Wednesday Thursday Friday 8:00 – 10:00 AM

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If you have questions about scheduling an appointment, please call 817-272-2661.

AND, TALK WITH A FACULTY MEMBER!
Dr. Naomi Cleghorn, Program Director
Cleghorn@uta.edu

MINOR IN ANTHROPOLOGY

The Anthropology minor (6 courses/18 hours total) can be fulfilled by successfully completing two of the following three courses: ANTH 2307: Biological Anthropology, ANTH 2322: Global Cultures, ANTH 2339: Principles of Archaeology. Plus any other four ANTH courses, at least two of which must be at the advanced level (3000 or above).

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