



Course Syllabus

Course Code	Course Title	ECTS Credits
ANTH-105	Cultural Anthropology	6
Prerequisites	Department	Semester
None	Social Sciences	Fall/Spring
Type of Course	Field	Language of Instruction
Elective	Social Sciences	English
Level of Course	Lecturer(s)	Year of Study
1 st Cycle	Dr Marios Sarris	1 st
Mode of Delivery	Work Placement	Co-requisites
Face-to-Face	N/A	None

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- Introduce students to social and cultural diversity.
- Explore the ways in which non-Western societies deal with universal human issues.
- Render primarily non-Western societies understandable on their own terms.
- Widen students' horizons through the appreciation of cultural diversity.

Learning Outcomes:

After completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- Understand the fundamental theoretical concepts in anthropological discourse
- Employ the basic methodological tools of anthropological research
- Recognize the key ethical issues that arise in the context of anthropological research
- Comprehend the political and ideological reasons that led to the emergence and development of anthropology
- Develop an adequate ethnographic grasp of selected socio-cultural cases

Course Content:

1. Definition of the subject of anthropology.
2. The comparative dimension in anthropology.
3. Relationship to sociology.
4. Ethnocentrism and racism.
5. The humanist and critical orientation of anthropology.
6. Main theoretical approaches.
7. The political and ideological origins of anthropology. Relationship to colonialism.
8. Fieldwork as a rite-of-passage.
9. Participant observation and other field techniques.
10. The naturalist approach to fieldwork.
11. Ethical issues in anthropological research.
12. Anthropology at home.
13. Religion and ritual.
14. Life stages and rites of passage.
15. The characteristics and internal segmentation of rites of passage.
16. Theoretical approaches to rites of passage.
17. Kinship systems.
18. Sex and gender.
19. Gender hierarchies.
20. Gender division of labour.
21. Ethnicity.
22. Ethnicity and Rank.
23. Nationalism and minorities.
24. Ethnic identity and organization.
25. Political, legal and economic systems.
26. Ethnographic examples.

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Interactive lectures

Assessment Methods:

Final Exam
Midterm
Attendance & Participation

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Reader	Selected Readings (reading package prepared by the instructor).			
Small Places, Large Issues.	Eriksen, T.H.	Pluto Press	2023	Print Copy and E-book Available ISBN-13 978- 0745348193 (pbk)

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Anthropology and Anthropologists	Kuper, A.	Routledge	2015	Print Copy and E- book Available ISBN 978-0-415- 73634-3 (pbk) 978- 1-315-74919-8 (ebk)
The Forest People	Turnbull, C.	Bodley Head	2015	Print Copy Available ISBN 9781847923806