



Course Syllabus

Course Code LAW-165	Course Title Legal Anthropology	ECTS Credits 6
Prerequisites None	Department Law	Semester Fall, Spring
Type of Course Elective	Field Social Anthropology	Language of Instruction English
Level of Course 1 st Cycle	Lecturer Dr. Evi Eftychiou	Year of Study 1 st
Mode of Delivery Face-to-Face	Work Placement N/A	Corequisites None

Course Objectives:

The main objectives of the course are to:

- provide a broad overview of the field of legal anthropology - the comparative study of law, legal institutions, and other modes of dispute processing and regulation, in both contemporary and historical cultural settings.
- introduce and discuss current debates related to anthropology and law.
- reflect critically on each student's culture and legal framework.

Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Explain the practical and theoretical contributions of anthropology to law and vice versa.
2. Analyze the concepts of law, legal institutions, disputes and dispute processing and regulation through anthropological theories and findings.
3. Decode unfamiliar and familiar cultures and an ability to interpret “difference” in a cultural context.
4. Apply theories in order to analyze subjects in juxtaposition to culture and law.
5. Conduct research and present on related issues and be able to organize the available time and cope with deadlines.
6. Develop the ability of self-directed learning and independent work on an academic level within the intended professional field.

Course Content:

1. What is culture? (Characteristics of culture & introduction to social anthropology)
2. Introduction to legal anthropology
3. Political Organization (Power and social control, conflict management and resolution)
4. Classic Ethnographies
5. Later ethnographies
6. Human rights and anthropology
7. Universal Rights Vs. Cultural Rights

Learning Activities and Teaching Methods:

Lectures, Class discussions, Debates, Films/Documentaries.

Assessment Methods:

Assignment, Presentation, Class Participation, Final Exam.

Required Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Anthropology and Law: A Critical Introduction	Mark Goodale	NYU Press	2017	978-1479895519
The Oxford Handbook of Law and Anthropology	Marie-Claire Foblets, Mark Goodale, Maria Sapignoli, and Olaf Zenker (editors)	Oxford University Press	2022	9780198840534

Recommended Textbooks / Readings:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	ISBN
Reinventing Human Rights	Mark Goodale	Stanford University Press	2022	9781503631007
The Anthropology of Law	Pirie Fernanda	Oxford University press	2013	978-0-19-969685-7
The Life of Law	Laura Näder	University of California Press	2005	9780520231634
Anthropology & Law (In Library: 3 hour loan)	James M. Donovan and H. Edwin Anderson, III	Berghahn Books	2003	1-57181-423