Fall 2014 Undergraduate Course Descriptions

APY 105LEC
Introduction to Anthropology
Instructor Dr. Phillips Stevens
Reg. #17799
Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00 am - 9:50 am
Fillmore 322
This class is a general introduction to the field of anthropology, the study of humanity. It is designed to pique your interest in the broad diversity of human behavior and lifestyles across the world and through out time. This course will take a look at our four major subfields - archaeology, linguistic anthropology, physical anthropology, and cultural anthropology - and include discussions on our "youngest" subfield, applied anthropology. The goal of this class is to understand the wide range of issues covered by the fields of anthropology, the ways in which these issues are studied by specialists in the field, and the practical effects of the questions covered by anthropological study. In order to survey such a wide range of issues, the class is structured in a standard lecture format, with small group exercises and class discussions.

APY 106LEC
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
Instructor Dr. Donald Pollock
Reg. #19990
Monday/Wednesday/Friday 11:00 am - 11:50 am
Talbert Hall 107
What is culture and how does it affect our understanding of the world and the ways we behave? How do cultural anthropologists approach the study of human societies and what methods do they use to do research? These are some of the questions that we will examine in this class. The course introduces students to ethnographic methods and theories of cultural anthropology. The aim is to enhance our knowledge of our own culture and of other cultures around the world. All majors are welcome.
For centuries preceding modern times, our uniqueness as a species was taken as a sign of special creation; we were not seen to be a part of nature. But as knowledge of human evolution, our closeness to other primates, and our adaptations to specific environments emerged, we have taken our place in the animal kingdom. Here, we learn how those insights developed, and about current methods of understanding human origins and the natural forces that have shaped us.
APY 246LEC
Introduction to Primate Behavior
Instructor Dr. Carol Berman

Reg.#24115
Tuesday/Thursday 9:30 am- 10:50 am
Fillmore 322
Behavior, and social organization of non-human primates: current theories, evolutionary processes, and research methods, both in the field and in the laboratories.

APY 250LEC
Special Topics: European Union
Instructor Dr. Piotr Derengowski

Reg.#24588
Tuesday/Thursday 11:00am- 12:20 pm
Clemens 217

APY 325SEM
Contemporary Afro-Carib Religion
Instructor Dr. Craig Centrie

Reg.#21594
Tuesday/Thursday 3:30 pm- 4:50 pm
O'Brian Hall 210
Familiarizes students with the rich cultural syncretisms of Afro-Caribbean culture from a Latin American perspective, challenges the miasma of mysticism surrounding the religions as viewed by developed nations, and provides students with the basic skills necessary to conduct field research from an anthropological perspective.

APY 348LEC
Forensic Anthropology Osteology
Instructor Dr. Joyce Sirianni

Reg.#18076
Monday 4:00 pm- 6:40 pm
Fillmore 170
 Covers fundamentals of human skeletal anatomy through lecture, demonstration, and laboratory work. Considers procedures and applications in contemporary and historical human biology and in archaeology, stressing both technical approach and theoretical application. This lecture and laboratory course demonstrates the fundamentals of human skeletal biology and anatomy. Stresses procedures and applications used in evaluating archaeological and contemporary human populations. Considers forensic applications.
APY 377LEC
Magic, Witchcraft, and Sorcery
Instructor Dr. Phillips Stevens
Reg.# 24095
Monday/Wednesday/Friday 11:00 am- 11:50 am
Clemens Hall 19
Understanding the nature of magic and the anthropology of sorcery and witchcraft beliefs around the world and throughout history offers insights into some fundamental aspects of human belief and behavior. Considers 'primitive' beliefs as representative of universal beliefs and as background to the course's consideration of 'occult' interests and fears in contemporary America.

APY 382LEC
Indians of South America
Instructor Dr. Donald Pollock
Reg.#24096
Monday/Wednesday/Friday 9:00 am- 9:50 am
Clemens Hall 103
Surveys the indigenous societies of cultures and South America, including both highland Andean and lowland Amazonian people. Provides a perspective on the prehistory, history, and contemporary situation of native South Americans, examining traditional anthropological topics as well as current political issues surrounding indigenous rights, integration into national societies, and environmental destruction.

APY 401LEC
Theory in Anthropology
Instructor Dr. Barbara Tedlock
Reg.# 24216
Tuesday 9:30 am – 12:10 pm
Clemens Hall 19
Reviews the growth of anthropology as a scientific discipline. Analyzes in detail major anthropological approaches and theories.
APY 410SEM
Special Topics
Instructor Dr. David Banks
Reg.#22780
Monday/Wednesday/Friday 12:00pm- 12:50 pm
Clemens Hall 106

APY 410SEM
Cities, Citizenship, and Civic Engagement
Instructor Dr. Deborah Reed-Danahay
Reg. #24227
Wednesday 9:30 am – 12:10 pm
Capen Hall 110
This course will introduce students to the many ways in which we can think about citizenship in relationship to immigrants. We will explore the differences between legal forms of citizenship and that those that have been called social or cultural citizenship, which have more to do with civic participation. Questions we will discuss include: How does cultural (or, vernacular) citizenship differ from strictly legal bases for citizenship? How do newcomers learn to become ¿cultural citizens¿ in their new host settings? And, how do different local settings (cities and neighborhoods) affect feelings and experiences of belonging for new immigrants? We will adopt a global approach of cultural anthropology in order to see how ideas and laws about citizenship vary in the contemporary world. Topics of national security, border patrols, and Identity documents (such as passports) will also be explored. Students will have the opportunity to research topics of their own interest.

APY 411SEM
4 Horsemen of Apocalypse
Instructor Dr. Ezra Zubrow
Reg. #24099
Tuesday 7:00pm- 10:40pm
Capen Hall 108
Studies the four horsemen in all their guises. Examines their importance historically and at present. They have been and are religious icons, symbols of the major processes of warfare, disease, famine, and death, as well as cultural, literary, and artistic symbols throughout the generations. The course traces one of the horsemen through both time and space in the intellectual area of the students' choice.
APY 434SEM
Human Impacts Ancient Environments
Instructor Dr. T J Chevral (T L Thurston)

Reg. # 24433
Thursday 9:20am-12:10pm
Fillmore Academic Center 354

This course examines the impact of human actions on past environments and cultures: negative, positive and neutral outcomes related to agricultural livelihood, ancient industries, and political or religious ritual manipulation of landscape. We will also learn how professionals concerned with documenting the past can play a larger role in the public’s understanding that present-day ecosystems are not the result of recent activities, but of centuries of millennia of human-environment interactions.

APY 443SEM
Adv. Physical Anthropology
Instructor Dr. Joyce Sirianni

Reg. # 24214
Tuesday 3:30pm-6:10pm
Spaulding Quad 158

Topics vary. May be taken more than once for credit.

APY 447LEC
Mythology of the Americas
Instructor Dr. Dennis Tedlock

Reg. # 21694
Tuesday/Thursday 9:30am-10:50am
Norton Hall 213
APY 448SEM
Human Genetics-Legal Ethics
Instructor Dr. Christine Duggleby

Reg. # 24119
Wednesday 2:00pm-4:40pm
Spaulding Quad 158

Recent advances in genetic technology have presented the scientific and lay community with ethical and legal problems, yet to be resolved. The objective of this course is to provide an opportunity for informed discussions of such issues relating to contemporary human/medical issues.

APY 494SEM
Senior Seminar: Death and Dying
Instructor Dr. Ana Bacigalupo

Reg. # 24113
Tuesday/Thursday 11:00am-12:20pm
Fillmore Academic Center 352

APY 494SEM
Senior Seminar: Evolution Hominin Behavior-Paleo
Instructor Dr. Stephen Lycett

Reg. #24390
Tuesday-Thursday 5:00pm-6:20pm
Bell Hall 325

APY 495SEM
Supervised Teaching
Instructor Dr. Joyce Sirianni

Reg. # 20089
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Spaulding Quad 158
APY 496TUT
Internship

Tutorial
Credits: 1-6
Semester(s): (No information on typically offered semesters)
Pre-requisites: permission of instructor
Grading: Graded (A-F)
Students wishing to complete an internship with a host agency may register for this course with the agreement of the agency supervisor and the faculty advisor.

APY 499TUT
Ind. Study and Research

Seminar
Credits: 1
Semester(s): (No information on typically offered semesters)
Pre-requisites: permission of instructor
Grading: Graded (A-F)
Individually designed program of reading, research, or skills development in close association with an instructor.

Tutorial
Credits: 1-8
Semester(s): (No information on typically offered semesters)
Pre-requisites: permission of instructor
Grading: Graded (A-F)
Individually designed program of reading, research, or skills development in close association with an instructor.