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ANTHROPOLOGY (ANTH)

ANTH 101 Human Origins

3 Credits

An introduction to human biological and cultural evolution. Students will examine the fossil record for human evolution as well as the behaviour of non-human primates in an attempt to understand what meakes us human. Discoveries by archaeologists are also reviewed in tracing human cultural developments from the earliest stone tools to the emergence of the first civilizations. (3,0,0)

Prerequisites

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12 or equivalent

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 102 Intro Social and Cultural Anth

3 Credits

With a global and comparative perspective the course will study a variety of customs and beliefs of indigenous people. Specific topics will include rituals, kinship, politics, economics, mythology, art and religion. (3,0,0)

Prerequisites

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12 or equivalent

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 111 First Nations of Canada

3 Credits

A course dealing with the nature and diversity of Canadian First Nations. We will also examine the history of European colonialism in Canada and it's impact on Canadian First Nations peoples. finally, we will review some of the important issues in contemporary First Nations affairs. (3,0,0)

Prerequisites

English 12 or equivalent

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 112 First Nations of B.C.

3 Credits

This course is an introductory study of First Nations peoples of B.C. from the time prior to contact with the Europeans to the present. Emphasis will be placed on examination of the traditional societies and the history of the European colonial impact. Finally, selected current issues such as land claims, education, aboriginal rights, Indian status and political actions will be discussed. (3,0,0)

Prerequisites

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12 or equivalent

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 201 World Cultures

3 Credits

This course will provide a cross-cultural exploration of human cultures in the world. This will include an examination of the diversity of economic systems, social structures, kinship patterns, and political and religious systems. Students will apply anthropological analysis to selected cultural studies in Canada and the world.

Prerequisites

ANTH 102 and SOCI 101 or SOCI 102

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 202 Indigenous Cultures in Transition

3 Credits

This course will provide a cross-cultural exploration of Indigenous cultures in the changing modern world. In particular, this course will review the history of the rise of industrialism and the spread of European colonialism, and the effects of these developments on Indigenous cultures of the world. Students will apply anthropological analysis to selected case studies of Indigenous cultures and modern complex societies.

Prerequisites

ANTH 102 and SOCI 101 or SOCI 102

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 203 Northern Nations of the Northwest Coast

3 Credits

This course is designed to introduce students to the First Nation cultures of the northern northwest coast. The course will review the principles and methods of anthropological understanding to utilize as a lens to interpret culture. The course will concentrate on the rich history and cultures of the Nations of this northern area and draw upon existing local material and ethnography. As a special case study, students will participate in field research, and field excursion with Elders, Chiefs, and Watchmen. This course format intends to provide students with a greater understanding and appreciation of the northern First Nations culture, oral histories, traditional ecological knowledge, territorial stewardship, and the struggle endured under colonialism.

Prerequisites

ANTH 102 or SOCI 101 and 102

Transfer Credits



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ANTH 204 Central and Southern Nations of the Northwest Coast

3 Credits

This course is designed to introduce students to the First Nation cultures of the central and southern northwest coast. The course will review the principles and methods of anthropological understanding, including an overview of key existing anthropological literature of this particular area. As a special case study, students will participate in field research, and field excursion to the Kitlope with Elders, Cheifs, and Watchmen. Overall, the Hen?aak?sila people have a special relationship to the south, including a linguistical connection with the other Wakashan language speakers, and an important trade network with the people of Kimsquit and Bella Coola, and the Nuxalk Nation. This course format intends to provide students with a greater understanding and appreciation of the central and southern First Nations culture, oral histories, traditional ecological knowledge, territorial stewardship, and the struggle endured under colonialism.

Prerequisites

ANTH 102 or SOCI 101 and 102

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 205 Archaeology of Northern British Columbia

3 Credits

A survey of the archaeological record for northern British Columbia. Special topics include the initial settlement of the area by Native peoples and the subsequent rise of complex ranked socieities on the northern northwest coast. This course will include a field trip to visit a local archaeological site. (3,0,0)

Prerequisites

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12 or equivalent

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca)

ANTH 206 Anthropology of Religion

3 Credits

This course aims to cross-culturally explore some of the ideas surrounding the concept of religion. Definitions of religion, and other related concepts such as ritual, are explored in light of early and contemporary anthropological theory. The course examines broader theoretical issues within the context of living world religions, and a range of ethnographic material from various parts of the world. Anthropological approaches to theories of religion and belief, specifically religious thought, practice and ,spirituality. Students would have acquired a good sense of the ideological similarities and differences between people from different societies and cultures.

Prerequisites

ANTH 102 and SOCI 101 or SOCI 102

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 208 The Indigenous Arts of N America, Oceania and Africa

3 Credits

This course is about the anthropology of art with special focus on the indigenous arts of North America, Oceania and Africa. Specific topics include the identification of the art, its uses, and the cultures of its producers. (3,0,0)

Prerequisites

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12 or equivalent

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 209 The Art of N American First Nations

3 Credits

This course is an introduction to the arts of North American First Nations including the northwest coast, Athapaskan, Plateau, Plains, Woodlands, Great Lakes, and Southwest regions. Specific topics include cross cultural definition of art symbolism, and the social, political and religious elements of First Nations art. (3, 0,0)

Prerequisites

ANTH 102

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca)

ANTH 210 First Nations Art of the Northwest Coast

3 Credits

This course is an overview of northwest coast First Nations art. Art forms from prior to contact through to the contemporary period will be examined. Specific topics will include the style and symbolic elements of northwest coast art, the relationship between northwest coast First Nations art forms and the social, religious and political economic structures of the producing cultures. The place of northwest coast art in museums and in the marketplace shall also be examined. Some videos, a museum tour, and a village field trip, as well as visits from artists shall be included. (3, 0, 0)

Prerequisites

Any first or second year ANTH course

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 211 Understanding Theory in Anthropology

3 Credits

This course is an introduction to major issues in anthropological theory with focus on key concepts in the discipline, important authors and development of and debates over theorectical perspectives through time.

Prerequisites

ANTH 101 or ANTH 102

Transfer Credits



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ANTH 212 Cultural Resource Management

3 Credits

This course offers an introduction to the practice of cultural resource management in British Columbia. Major topics include: the nature of cultural resources in B.C., potential threats to those resources, the legislation protecting heritage sites in B.C. and the role of the B.C. Archaeology Branch in coordinating conservation efforts. The course also examines the ethics of archaeology and the steps that are being taken towards a greater participation of First Nations in the management and interpretation of heritage resources in B.C. (3, 0, 0)

Prerequisites

ANTH 112

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca)

ANTH 215 Archaeology of the Americas

3 Credits

This course offers an introduction the the rich archaeological record of North and South America. The latest finds indicate that the Western Hemisphere was inhabited at least 14,000 years ago, and during that time, a wide range of cultural adaptations emerged, including densely populated city states and empires. The goal is to explore these developments and so gain a deeper appreciation of first Nations culture history. (3,0,0)

Prerequisites

English Studies 12, English First Peoples 12 or equivalent

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 220 Visual Anthropology

3 Credits

This course examines various forms of visual documentation found in ethnographic films, videos, photographs and art forms. You will also explore methods of writing, directing and producing ethnographic films. Topics include problems of selectivity, ideological bias, effect of the producer's presence and the reconstruction of events. (3, 0, 0)

Prerequisites

ANTH 101 and ANTH 102 and ANTH 111 or ANTH 112

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca)

ANTH 240 Introduction to Archaeology

3 Credits

This course is an introduction to the methods and concepts that archaeologists use to explore the human past. It examines the nature of archaeological evidence, as well as the various methods employed in its recover and analysis. Examples will be drawn from around the world, illustrating the international scope of modern archaeology. The course also includes weekly laboratory exercises designed to provide some practical experience in archaeological research.

Prerequisites

ANTH 101 and ANTH 102

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 245 Archaeological Field Studies

6 Credits

This course offers a practical application of the methods and concepts that archaeologists use to examine the human past. Students will participate in a research-oriented archaeological field project and will develop skills in both archaeological site survey and excavation. These include an ability to recognize and record a variety of archaeological site types, basic techniques of site mapping using chain and compass as well as major survey instruments, techniques of excavation and record-keeping in the field, photography, and the initial processing of field data in a lab setting. Through lectures and discussions, students will also learn about the overall goals of the research project, the intended methods of analysis, and the ethics of modern archaeology.

Transfer Credits

Explore transfer credit opportunities by visiting the BC Transfer Guide (http://www.bctransferguide.ca)

ANTH 250 Intro to Biological Anthropology

3 Credits

This course is an introduction to the methods and concepts used in Biological Anthropology (also known as Physical Anthropology). Major topics include: the biological foundations of life, the classification of humans as members of the primate order; the comparative study of primate anatomy and behaviour; and the recovery and analysis of fossils relating to the evolution of our species. The course also covers the biological variations that exist within modern human population, as evidence of microevolution. Weekly laboratory exercises and occasional field trips provide students with a range of practical experience relating to these topics.

Prerequisites

ANTH 101

Transfer Credits



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ANTH 260 Medical Anthropology

3 Credits

This course will introduce learners to the field of medical anthropology, the study of the relationship of human health and illness to cultures, biology, and environmental and social justice. This will include reviewing the major theoretical perspectives, the social construction of sickness and healing, cross-cultural examples and case studies, healing traditions, biomedical knowledge and practice, and the politics of resource allocation.

Prerequisites

ANTH 102 or SOCI 101 or SOCI 102

Transfer Credits

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ANTH 270 Traditional Knowledge in Practice

3 Credits

This course will provide a unique blend of field studies, with readings from a cross-cultural and anthropological point of view. With a focus on traditional knowledge, students will review the development of this field of study within Anthropology, consider social applications, resource management, ethics, and be introduced to local systems of knowledge and practice. Overall, through this course, and the opportunity of experiential learning, students will become familiar with alternative cultural ways of viewing and relating to the environment.

Prerequisites

ANTH 102 and ANTH 111 and ANTH 112 and SOCI 101 or SOCI 102

Transfer Credits

