

## **ANTH 152 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology**

Study of the variety of cultural patterns that human societies use to adapt to the environment, guide social interaction and understand the human condition. Introduces the ideas and methods anthropologists use to develop a scientific and humanistic understanding of the world's cultures. (*Pre-requisites: None*)

## **Course Learning Outcomes:**

By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate general knowledge of main concepts, perspectives, theories, and practical approaches in cultural anthropology
- 2. Organize information from various sources relevant to address real-life case studies of human culture
- 3. Use basic skills to produce oral and written communication and express ideas in a coherent manner when carrying out cultural anthropology tasks
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- 5. Operate with some guidance in familiar and unfamiliar cultural contexts when working individually and in teams.

## **Textbook & Course Materials:**

- *Cultural Anthropology: The Human Challenge*, 15th Edition by W. A. Haviland, H. E. L. Prins, B. McBride and D. Walrath. Publisher: Cengage Learning, 2017.
- *Perspectives: An Open Introduction to Cultural Anthropology*, 2nd Edition by N. Brown, T. McIlwraith, L. T. de González. Published by American Anthropological Association, 2017.

## **Course Content:**

- 1. What is cultural anthropology?
- 2. Culture concept
- 3. Research in cultural anthropology: history and methods
- 4. Human origin and evolution
- 5. Human language
- 6. Modes of subsistence
- 7. Economic systems
- 8. Political organization
- 9. Social identity and social groups
- 10. Marriage, family, and kinship
- 11. Spirituality and religion
- 12. Globalization
- 13. Urbanization
- 14. Sustainable development
- 15. Health and medicine
- 16. Arts and crafts
- 17. Media and visual culture