

NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Introduction to Anthropology

Course #: ANT 101

Course Description:

This course introduces students to the principles, concepts and methodology of anthropology. It also emphasizes human evolution, culture and its role in human experience, as well as an understanding of the nature of man in different societies.

Credits: 3 semester hours

Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: ENG 101

Goals:

- To introduce students to the field of Cultural Anthropology
- To determine the role culture played during the evolution of man
- To introduce students to the methods of anthropological research
- To define the 5 modes of livelihood and how they are changing
- To introduce students to the anthropological concepts of consumption and exchange
- To identify concepts of cross-cultural social groups and stratifications
- To identify modes of reproduction and human development, kinship and domestic life
- To introduce students to the field of *Ethnomedicine*
- To identify the term *Public Power*
- To determine how humans use language and other forms of communication
- To identify the basic features of religion
- To discover the major categories of migration
- To explore Art as an expression of cultural heritage
- To introduce the concept of “development” and developmental approaches

Outcomes:

- Students will be able to identify the distinct features of Anthropology
- Students will discover the evolution of culture in the past 12,000 years
- Students will identify the urgent issues of modern anthropological research
- Students will discover how cultural anthropologists study economic systems
- Students will comprehend the concepts of cross-cultural consumption and exchange
- Students will understand how modes of reproduction are related to modes of livelihood and how culture shapes fertility in different contexts and personality over the lifespan.
- Students will understand three major approaches in medical anthropology and how health, illness and approaches to healing, changed due to globalization
- Students will identify factors that contribute to changes in kinship and household patterns
- Students will be able to determine the markings of a civil society
- Students will comprehend the composition of cross-cultural stratifications
- Students will determine how public power manifests itself cross-culturally; maintains social order, deals with conflict and the changing power relations caused by globalization

Students will determine how communication relates to cultural diversity and inequality
Students will understand how important aspects of religion has changed in contemporary times
Students will understand how play and leisure activities reveal about culture and why heritage is a contested cultural resource in contemporary societies.
Students will discuss new immigrations to the US and Canada and how anthropologists contribute to migration policies and programs
Students will discover how indigenous people and women are redefining development

College Policies

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Sexual assault and intimate partner violence is an affront to our national conscience, and one we cannot ignore. It is our hope that no one within our campus community will become a victim of these crimes. However, if it occurs, NCCC has created the SART Team - Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team - to meet the victim’s needs.

SART is a campus and community based team that is fully trained to provide trauma-informed compassionate service and referrals for comprehensive care. The team works in partnership with The Susan B. Anthony Project to extend services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

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At NCCC we care about our students, staff and faculty and their well-being. It is our intention to facilitate the resources needed to help achieve both physical and emotional health.