

Alabama Community College System

ANT 220 Cultural Anthropology

I. ANT 220 Cultural Anthropology—3 Semester Hours

II. Course Description

This course is an introduction to the primitive and contemporary cultures and societies viewed through the perspective of human behavior.

III. Prerequisite

ANT 200

IV. Textbook

Due to the varied selection of quality college-level textbooks, each college will select the textbook needed to meet the requirements of this course.

V. Course Learning Outcomes

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

- 1. define key terms in cultural anthropology;
- 2. apply basic anthropological terms, concepts, and principles to primitive and contemporary cultures;
- 3. describe human similarities and differences as well as the cultural diversity of the world; and
- 4. analyze human ways of life, applying an anthropological perspective to the analysis of current events and social issues.

VI. Course Outline of Topics

- 1. Anthropology and culture
- 2. Adaptive strategies
- 3. Bands, tribes, and chiefdoms
- 4. Industrialism and stratification
- 5. Human diversity and race
- 6. Religions and their functions

- 7. Personality and the world view
- 8. Languages
- 9. Applied anthropology
- 10. Social change and development
- 11. Contemporary American popular culture

VII. Evaluation and Assessment

Grades will be given based upon A = 90 - 100%, B = 80 - 89%, C = 70 - 79%, D = 60 - 69%, and F = below 60%.

VIII. Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes for which they are registered. Students who are unable to attend class regularly, regardless of the reason or circumstance, should withdraw from that class before poor attendance interferes with the student's ability to achieve the objectives required in the course. Withdrawal from class can affect eligibility for federal financial aid.

IX. Statement on Discrimination/Harassment

It is the official policy of the Alabama Community College System and entities under its control, including all Colleges, that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of any impermissible criterion or characteristic, including, without limitation, race, color, national origin, religion, marital status, disability, sex, age, or any other protected class as defined by federal and state law. (ACCS Policies 601.02 and 800.00)

X. Americans with Disabilities

The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504) and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 state that qualified students with disabilities who meet the essential functions and academic requirements are entitled to reasonable accommodations. It is the student's responsibility to provide appropriate disability documentation to the College.

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