

Anthropology& 215 A: Biological Anthropology with Lab

Fall 2012

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10:30 – 12:20 (B120)

Final

12/5 – 9:30 – 11:20

Course Overview:

Anthropology is the holistic study of humans. We combine methods, theories, and data from natural sciences, social sciences and humanities to examine human experience in the broadest framework possible. Anthropology courses explore human biology, origins, prehistory, and cultural diversity.

Content for Anthropology& 215: Biological Anthropology with lab

In “Biological Anthropology” we employ the scientific perspective of biological anthropology to examine our earliest ancestors and relatives and the diversity of modern humans. Topics include theory of evolution, genetics, primate anatomy, fossil record, biological adaptation, human physical variation and reproductive ecology.

At the conclusion of Anthropology& 215 you should be able to:

1. To demonstrate an understanding of the historical contexts and consequences of natural science and social science concepts developed for and directed at a holistic and comparative approach to human behavior.
2. To recognize, identify and use the scientific method, in particular the principles of biocultural evolution, and to distinguish coherent arguments based on such principles from other claims.
3. To show knowledge of the general elementary principles of molecular, Mendelian and population genetics and their synthesis with evolutionary explanation.
4. To apply contemporary concepts in human BioCultural variation, and distinguish such approaches from older paradigmatic formulations.
5. To recognize behaviors found throughout the primate order with particular attention to the social ecology of primate behavior.
6. To compare the gross anatomy of modern hominids and non-human primates and gain knowledge of their taxonomic classification.
7. To demonstrate detailed paleoanthropological knowledge of fossil hominoids and hominids, enabling the contrast, comparison and construction of hypothetical phylogenetic interpretations of hominid lineages and the selective evaluation of competing theories of hominization.

General Education Rating:

Big 3	General Ed Requirement		Rating
Creative and Critical Thinking	Critical Thinking/ Problem Solving	Scientific Inquiry (Nature of Science)	3

Student Responsibilities

To make the most out of the educational opportunities in this class, you need to take an active and energetic role in your own learning process. Success can best be achieved by completing the following student responsibilities.

- Complete all reading assignments before class on the day assigned.
- Participate actively in each discussion activity. We cannot reproduce a classroom level discussion. No makeup discussions are available. In this sense absences will have a negative impact on your grade.
- All materials **MUST** be turned in by the end of the final exam period to be counted. No late work will be accepted after the end of the final exam unless arrangements with the professor have been made.
- Take advantage of extra credit opportunities.
- Use the instructor’s office hours for questions.

Textbook and readings

ESSENTIALS OF PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY – 9th Edition

JURMAIN, Kilgore and Travathan,
ISBN: 978-1111837181

Assignment Submission Policy

All assignments must be submitted typed, unless otherwise stated. All written assignments will be submitted in **hard copy in class and in electronic form to my BC email address**. Electronically submitted documents will be posted on or before the due date of the assignment. These files will not be opened unless there is a problem. If you do not send an electronic form of your work, and the hard copy is not graded, no allowance will be made and the points will be lost. When you send your work to me over email the subject line need to contain all of the following information:

Your name, your class and the title of the assignment

This will make the retrieval process easier. This policy is for your protection and mine.

Evaluation

Student evaluation centers upon successful mastery of the course content. Final grades will be based upon the following set of assignments and point distributions for a total of 650 points.

- **Write-up labs: 250 points (Varying points dependent on the activity)**
- **Participation labs: 50 points (Varying points dependent on the activity)**
- **Lab quizzes: 50 points (2 x 25 points)**
- **Discussion: 100 points (4 x 25 points)**
- **Exams: 200 points (2 x 100)**

Write-up labs

As we proceed through the quarter, you will be conducting ten labs which will have accompanying write-ups. All labs will be conducted on Fridays. Each will vary in length; some will consist of formal reports; other will include data collection sheets and synthesis questions. The due dates will be given on the assignment handout. Assignment values will vary from 10 points to 30 points each. ***There will be not makeup laboratories or discussions (these cannot be recreated). If an officially documented emergency occurs alternative assignments may be given.***

Participation Labs

We will also be conducting four lab activities that will be based on participation. You must be present to be eligible for credit. I will determine how points will be distributed base on your level of involvement. Each experience lab will be work 25 points. ***There will be not makeup laboratories or discussions (these cannot be recreated). If an officially documented emergency occurs alternative assignments may be given.***

Lab Quizzes

As a way to demonstrate your understanding of the materials covered in lab there will be two lab quizzes. These will be held on May 5th and June 11th. Information covered in these quizzes will be from the labs conducted prior to each quiz. ***No make-ups on lab quizzes will be allowed. If an officially documented emergency occurs alternative assignments may be given.***

Participation and Discussion

We will be hold four formal in-class discussion. The amount of points is subject to my digression. Points will be based on my impression of your contributions to the discussion. I will be looking at your engagement and contributions to the discussions. Just being there is not enough. **RAISE YOUR HAND AND ADD TO THE DISCUSSION.**

Your grade for formal discussions will be based on two components:

1. **Your ticket to discussion** – On a 3x5 card you must have two points of interest or questions from the readings or research you've conducted prior to the discussion.
2. **Your participation in the discussion** – **If you don't talk, you don't get the points.**

No make-ups on discussions will be allowed. If an officially documented emergency occurs alternative assignments may be given.

Exams

During week 6, a mid-term exam will be held. It will cover all materials and topics from weeks 1 – 5. This exam will draw on materials from lectures, text book chapters, discussion, and labs. There will be 50 questions in the form of multiple choice, true/false and match. It will be held on Friday in place of an in class lab.

During the final period stated above, a second exam will be held. The majority of this exam will focus on the material from weeks 6 – 11. There will be a few larger concept questions taken from the first section of class. There will be 50 questions in

the form of multiple choice, true/false, matching and short answer essay. You will need a scan-tron form and a number 2 pencil for this exam. More information will be provided as the exams approach.

No makeup exams will be available without written documentation of a legitimate excuse (death, accident, hospitalization, illness, etc.).

Grading Scale

Your final grade will be based upon the accumulation of points using the table below.

Grade & Percentage	Point Value		
A = 92-100%	(598-650 pts)	C+ = 78-79%	(507-519 pts)
A- = 90-91%	(585-597 pts)	C = 72-77%	(468-506 pts)
B+ = 88-89%	(572-584 pts)	C- = 70-71%	(455-467 pts)
B = 82-87%	(533-571 pts)	D+ = 68-69%	(442-454 pts)
B- = 80-81%	(520-532 pts)	D = 50%-67%	(325-441 pts)
		F = <50%	(<325 pts)

Academic Integrity and Safe Zone

Cheating and plagiarism will not be accepted. Proper citation of ideas, concepts and quotes that are not your own is required. Cheating and plagiarism will result in a zero score on that assignment and will be reported to BC administration.

This class is designed to explore and discuss controversial issues. Sometimes these issues evoke emotional or personal repossess. It is important for students to be able to speak their minds without worrying about ridicule, demeaning remarks, or hurtful statements. Any occurrences of such comments will be dealt with immediately.

Schedule:

Week	Reading	Class Activities	Labs	Discussion Topic
Week 1 9/19 - 9/21	Ch. 1 & 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction History of Evolutionary Thought 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scientific Methods (IC - PT) (10 pts) 	
Week 2 9/24 - 9/28	Ch. 3 & 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural Selection Heredity & Evolution Genetics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural Selection (IC - Act) (20 pts) Punnet squares (worksheet) (10 pts) 	"If Humans were Built to last"
Week 3 10/1 - 10/5		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Genetics Macroevolution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Genetics Casino (IC - Act) (20 pts) DNA part 1 (IC - PT) (10 pts) DNA Structure (Worksheet) (10 pts) 	
Week 4 10/8 - 10/12	Ch. 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forces of Evolution Speciation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electrophoresis (IC - Act) (15 pts) Forces Lab (IC - PT) (10 pts) 	Stem Cell and Eugenics
Week 5 10/15 - 10/19	Ch. 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Living Primates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lab Quiz #1 Primate Anatomy (IC - Act) (15 pts) 	
Week 6 10/22 - 10/24 No class 10/26	Ch.7 & 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam #1 (Material from weeks 1 - 5) Living Primates and Locomotion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primate Observation lab (OC - Act) (35 pts) 	Bush Meat
Week 7 10/29 - 11/2	Ch.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dating Methods Fossil Primates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bipedalism Lab (IC - Act) (30) 	
Week 8 11/5 - 11/9	Ch. 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hominid Origins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hominid skull lab (IC - Act) (35) 	
Week 9 11/14 - 11/16 No class 11/12	Ch. 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Late Hominid Record Doing Field Work in Kenya 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paleolithic Hunting (IC - PT) (20) 	
Week 10 11/19 - 11/21 No class 11/23	Ch. 12 & 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modern Humans Human Adaptation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DNA part 2 (OC - PT) (20) No Class on Friday 	
Week 11 11/26 - 11/30	Ch. 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reproductive Ecology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human adaptation lab (IC - Act) (20) Blood lab (IC - Act) (20) 	
Finals week 12/3			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lab Quiz #2 	Malaria and Culture
Final exam				

IC - In class

OC - Out of class

The number in (parenthesis) following the lab/activity indicates the point value.

PT - Participation

Act - Activity

ASSESSMENT	DATES	MATERIALS COVERED ON EXAMS AND QUIZZES
Lab Quiz #1	10/19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scientific Method Natural Selection DNA Structure Punnet squares DNA part 1 the Genetics Casino Electrophoresis Forces Lab
Exam 1	10/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapters 1-6 Labs from lab quiz 1 Discussion 1 and 2 Lectures from week 1 - 5 (From beginning of class to "Speciation")

Lab Quiz #2	12/3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primate Anatomy • Bipedalism Lab 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hominid Skull Lab • Paleolithic Hunting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DNA part 2 • Human Adaptations • Blood lab
Exam 2	12/5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chapters 7 – 14 • Labs from lab quiz 2 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion 3 and 4 • Lectures from week 5 – 11 (From “ Living Primates” to the end) 	

MY SCHEDULE

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30 AM					
9:00 AM					
9:30 AM		Office Hours		Office Hours	Lab Office hour
10:00 AM		9:30 - 10:20		9:30 - 10:20	9:30 - 10:20
10:30 AM					
11:00 AM	Anth&215 A	Anth&236	Anth&215 A	Anth&236	Anth&215A
11:30 AM	10:30 - 12:20	10:30 - 12:20	10:30 - 12:20	10:30 - 12:20	10:30 - 12:20
12:00 PM	B120	B120	B120	B120	B120
12:30 PM	Office Hours		Office Hours		
1:00 PM	12:30 - 1:30		12:30 - 1:30		
1:30 PM	D110K		D110K		
2:00 PM		off campus		off campus	
2:30 PM					
3:00 PM					

Finals Schedule

Daily or M/W or M/W/F ONLY	Exam Day	Exam Time
7:30	Fri. 12/7	7:30-9:20
8:30	Wed. 12/5	7:30-9:20
9:30	Fri. 12/7	9:30-11:20
10:30	Wed. 12/5	9:30-11:20
11:30	Fri. 12/7	11:30 -1:20
12:30	Wed. 12/5	11:30 -1:20
1:30	Fri. 12/7	1:30-3:20
2:30 or 3:00	Wed. 12/5	1:30-3:20
3:30	Fri. 12/7	3:30-5:20
4:30	Wed. 12/5	3:30-5:20

T/Th or T/Th/F ONLY	Exam Day	Exam Time
7:30 or 8:30	Thur. 12/6	7:30-9:20
9:30 or 10:30	Thur. 12/6	9:30-11:20
11:30 or 12:30	Thur. 12/6	11:30 -1:20
1:30 or 2:30	Thur. 12/6	1:30-3:20
3:00, 3:30 or 4:30	Thur. 12/6	3:30-5:20

SNOW DAYS or other non-schedule class cancellations

The possibility is always there that class will be cancelled unexpectedly. In the case that class is cancelled, I will post information on MyBC. This will include lecture material, assignments and handouts. It is your responsibility to check this in a timely manner before the next class session. Material provided in this way will be covered as a review in class but may not be lectured on in detail.

WHAT COURSES IN ANTHROPOLOGY ARE OFFERED AT BC?

There is a general introductory class (Survey of Anthropology) which highlights all four sub-disciplines of anthropology. BC offers in-depth courses in Anthropology which I encourage you to take: archaeology (Great Discoveries in Archaeology; Archaeology; Ancient North America; Incas & Their Ancestors; Aztecs, Mayas, & Their Ancestors), biological anthropology (Biological Anthropology; Bioanthropology with Lab; Cross-cultural Medicine; Forensic Anthropology), cultural anthropology (Food, Drink, & Culture; American Life & Culture; Cultural Anthropology; Sex, Gender, & Culture; Environment & Culture; REEL Culture; Religion & Culture) and linguistics (Language, Culture, & Society). Check BC's Course Catalogue for a full description of each course. We will also be offering several special topics courses spanning the discipline. Topics may include Primatology, Experimental Archaeology, Anthropology of Immigration and Scandinavian Culture. There are no prerequisites for any of these courses and they fulfill degree requirements. Different formats (on campus, on-line, hybrid) are offered. Stop by and visit the Social Science Advisor, Deanne Eschbach, in Room D110, for free professional planning and advising, or contact Anthropology Prof. Tony Tessandori (tony.tessandori@bellevuecollege.edu) to learn more about majoring in anthropology.

Tentative Winter Anthropology course listings for Winter 2013

		On Campus	Online
ANTH&100	Survey of Anthropology	X	X
ANTH 106	Great Discoveries in Archaeology	X	
ANTH 180	American Life and Culture	X	X
ANTH& 204	Archaeology		X
ANTH& 205	Biological Anthropology		X
ANTH& 206	Cultural Anthropology	X	X
ANTH 208	Language, Culture and ,Society	X	X
ANTH&215	BioAnthropology	X	X
ANTH& 234	Religion & Culture		X
ANTH& 236	Forensic Anthropology		X
ANTH& 235	Cross-Cultural Medicine	X	
ANTH 296	Special Topic: Sociolinguistics	X	

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE Society of Student Anthropologists @ BC (AKA: THE WEIRD ANTHROPOLOGY CLUB)

Anthropologists can and do study just about anything. In our classes, you will learn about some of the usual topics...Join the club and find out about the other stuff. The mission of **THE SOCIETY OF STUDENT ANTHROPOLOGISTS @ BC** is to explore topics that other groups do not cover. You can expect to investigate topics from Bigfoot to indigenous hunting techniques and everything else in between. We also continually contribute to a Heifer International Fund. Please contact Anthropology Professor Tony Tessandori, club advisor, if you are interested in joining other budding anthropologists in their pursuit of understanding humanity. (tony.tessandori@bellevuecollege.edu) ALSO see our Facebook page [Society of Student Anthropologists at BC](#).

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN EARNING A CONCENTRATION IN ANTHROPOLOGY, ALONG WITH YOUR DEGREE?

In addition to earning an AAS degree, you can take 20 credits of required courses to earn a concentration in Anthropology. These four courses provide the basic foundation of Anthropology and represent the 4-field approach of American Anthropology. All of them are offered on campus and on-line.

ANTH& 204 – Archaeology (5 credits of Social Science)

ANTH 208 – Language, Culture, & Society (5 credits of Humanities or Social Science)

ANTH& 206 – Cultural Anthropology (5 credits of Social Science)

ANTH& 215 – BioAnthropology with Lab (6 credit of Lab Science) **or** ANTH& 205 – Biological Anthropology (5 credit of natural science)

Message from the chair

The Anthropology Department consists of a group of dedicated educators. We all want our students to learn and grow as they progress through their educations. We all are passionate about our fields of study and believe that what we have to say is important. We all feel that it is important that you come to class and take part in the learning process. We also know that life happens outside of our classrooms and missing class is sometime unavoidable. In order for all of us to work together an open dialog between students and instructors is key. Most often an understanding can be reached when outside situation arise. If at any time during the quarter you find that you are having concerns with the way a situation is being handled there are some steps to be followed. First you should talk direct to the instructor ask for clarification or further explanation. If you feel you are not getting the results you require, contact me (Anthony Tessandori, Department Chair) at tony.tessandori@bellevuecollege.edu. I will do what I can to help resolve any issues. If I am unable to help alleviate your concerns, you should contact the Interim Dean of Social Science (Virginia Bridwell) at Virginia.bridwell@bellevuecollege.edu

I look forward to the coming quarter and I hope to speak to each of you about the possibilities anthropology has to offer.

Have a great quarter

Tony Tessandori

Anthropology Paper Usage Policy

In an attempt to conserve resources the Anthropology Department has implemented a paper use reduction policy. We will use MyBC to post materials required for class (i.e. readings, activities, the complete syllabus...). When necessary we will make copies for class, but this will be when posting is not an option. You are not expected to print all materials. When we think it would be beneficial to print materials we will inform you of this. but will not require it. We know that it is not always convenient and understand that we all must make changes to attain a sustainable life style.

EXPLORE THE LMC! The Library Media Center is at your fingertips! I *strongly* encourage you to visit the LMC at least this quarter, but you can also access it via the web. Talk to a Reference Librarian at the Library (D-126), by calling (425) 564-6161, or by email: reference@bellevuecollege.edu.

- **Main Library Media Center:** <http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/>
- **For the LMC online catalog:** <http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/catalogs.html>
- **For article databases:** <http://bellevuecollege.edu/lmc/periodicals.html>

For all of your written work: Submit proofread work **only**. Work not proofread will be returned **once** for a rewrite, expected to be handed in within 48 hours. If you need help with your writing, please make use of the following student support services:

- Academic Success Center: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/academicsuccess/>
- Academic Tutoring Center: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/tutoring/>
- TRiO Student Support Services: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/TRiO/>
- Writing Lab @ BCC: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/writinglab/>

The MyBC website for this class: got to www.bellevuecollege.edu.

Click on MyBC link at the top of the page. Sign in and click on Class website link. There you will find course documents – which is where you will find the needed materials for this class.

Preventing Plagiarism: Plagiarism is a form of academic dishonesty occurring when students use information or material from outside sources and do not properly cite those sources. This is grounds for disciplinary action. It is your responsibility to understand plagiarism and its consequences. Plagiarism occurs if:

- a. You do not cite quotations and/or attribute borrowed ideas.
- b. You fail to enclose borrowed language in quotation marks.
- c. You do not write summaries and paraphrases in his/her own words and/or doesn't document his/her source.
- d. You turn in work created by another person.
- e. You submit or use your own prior work for a current or past course, or work from one current course in another course *without express permission* from your professors. This may also be considered academic dishonesty.
- f. Consequences: If it is determined that you have plagiarized or engaged in other forms of academic dishonesty, you will likely fail the assignment and possibly the course, despite points earned through other work. Acts of academic dishonesty are reviewed for disciplinary action.

PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION Fall 2012

Cheating, Stealing and Plagiarizing*

Cheating, stealing and plagiarizing (using the ideas or words of another as one's own without crediting the source) and inappropriate/disruptive classroom behavior are violations of the Student Code of Conduct at Bellevue College. Examples of unacceptable behavior include, but are not limited to: talking out of turn, arriving late or leaving early without a valid reason, allowing cell phones/pagers to ring, and inappropriate behavior toward the instructor or classmates. The instructor can refer any violation of the Student Code of Conduct to the Dean of Student Services for possible probation or suspension from Bellevue College. Specific student rights, responsibilities and appeal procedures are listed in the Student Code of Conduct, available in the office of the Dean of Student Services and at [http://bellevuecollege.edu/policies/2/2050P_Student_Code_\(Procedures\).asp](http://bellevuecollege.edu/policies/2/2050P_Student_Code_(Procedures).asp)

Email Communication with instructors must be done through student email accounts only. Instructors cannot communicate with students about their course work or grades through student's personal email accounts.

Incomplete

If a student fails to complete all the required work for a course, an instructor may assign the grade of Incomplete ("I"). The student must complete the coursework by the end of the next quarter, or receive the assigned letter grade (usually an "F").

F Grade

Students who fail a course will receive a letter grade of "F."

Final Examination Schedule

The Social Science Division will adhere to the final examination schedule as stated in the BC Schedule. Final examinations will be held at the end of each quarter at fixed times. Instructors will not give examinations in advance of the regular schedule. A student who is absent from any examination held at any time during the quarter may forfeit the right to make up the examination. If, for illness or some other circumstance beyond the student's control, the student is unable to be present at any scheduled examination and has contacted the instructor on a timely basis, the student may be permitted to take such examination at a time designated by the instructor.

Withdrawal From Class

College policy states that students must formally withdraw from a class by the end of the seventh week of the quarter (Registration Office, B125). If a student has not withdrawn by that date, an appropriate letter grade will be assigned for the course.

Hardship Withdrawal

Instructors may assign the grade of "HW" (hardship withdrawal) at their discretion in the event that a student cannot complete the coursework due to extreme and exceptional circumstances. Students may also contact the Enrollment Services office BEFORE grades are assigned in cases of hardship.

Students Who Require Disability Accommodations:

Students with disabilities who have accommodation needs are encouraged to meet with the Disability Resource Centre (DRC) office located in B132 (telephone 425.564.2498 or TTY 425.564.4110), to establish their eligibility for accommodation. The DRC office will provide each eligible student with an accommodation letter. Students who require accommodation in class should review the DRC accommodation letter with each instructor during the first week of the quarter.

Students with mobility challenges who may need assistance in case of an emergency situation or evacuation should register with Disability Resource Centre, and review those needs with the instructor as well.

Distribution of Grades

Grades will not be posted in the Social Science Division or in faculty offices, and program assistants or coordinators will not give out grades. Students should access their grades through the BC Web site.

Return of Papers and Tests

Paper and/or Scantron score sheet returns will be arranged in the following ways ONLY: by mail, if student supplies the instructor with stamped, self-addressed envelope (with appropriate postage); or by the instructor designating a time and place whereby the student may retrieve his/her papers. Unclaimed papers and/or Scantron score sheets must be kept by the instructor for a minimum of sixty (60) instructional days following the end of the quarter.

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**If you are accused of cheating, stealing exams and/or plagiarism, there is a Bellevue College Student Discipline and Appeals Procedure (the right to due process) which you may pursue. Contact the office of Division Chair (D110), the Dean of Student Services (B231A) or the Associated Student Body (C212) for information regarding the appeals process.*