

GE CRITERIA APPROVAL FORM

Course Number and Title: **ANTH 102 Cultural Anthropology**

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Indicate which of the following categories would be satisfied by this course by marking an “X” on the appropriate lines. Courses may be placed in up to two GE categories as appropriate. Upper Division Interdisciplinary GE courses may be placed in two categories plus the UDIGE category.

	A1: Oral Communication
	A2: English Writing
	A3: Critical Thinking
	B1: Physical Sciences
	B2: Life Sciences
	B3: Mathematics
	B4: Computers and Technology
	C1: Fine Arts
	C2: Literature
X	C3: Languages & Cultures
X	D: Social Perspectives
	E: Human Psychological & Physiological Perspectives
	Upper Division Interdisciplinary GE

Lab Included? Yes _____ No X

Please provide a brief explanation of how the proposed course meets each of the criteria for the selected General Education categories.

ANTH 102 focuses on the study of recent and modern societies using a cross-cultural perspective, to gain an understanding on the range of human expression in culture and society. Issues discussed include ethnicity, gender, family structure, kinship, sex and marriage, socio-economic class, religion and the supernatural, language and culture, economics, political and social organization, art, and culture change.

Category C3b Multicultural: The course promotes a cross-cultural perspective on humanity. It reveals multiple ways of knowing in different cultures and ethnic groups. Through the use of case studies and films, the students will be involved in deep understanding of several different cultures.

Category D Social Perspectives: The course provides a broad understanding of the human experience and relevant social issues in the contemporary world by examining how different cultures have developed their art, social organization, economics, subsistence, environmental adaptation, etc. Students are exposed to the methods and theories in social sciences generally, and specifically within anthropology.

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

- Outline the many forms human cultures take.
- Distinguish different manifestations of ethnocentrism
- Apply cultural relativism to life issues.
- Place multiculturalism in a global context.
- Relate the many aspects of culture from a systems theory perspective

Hence we feel that this course meets each of the criteria in GE Categories **C3b and D**.