

Course Name	World Cultures and Anthropology		
Semester, Year	First Semester, 2019	Number of Credits	2 credits
Course level	1000	Course Number	027053
Instructor(s) (Institution)	Paul Capobianco 大学院メディア・コミュニケーション研究院		
Course Objectives	The aim of this course is twofold: to introduce some students to some of the key concepts in cultural anthropology and to introduce students to different cultural practices around the world. Cultural anthropology is an academic field that studies people and their cultures and languages. This class will involve reading of academic articles, writing summaries, and giving presentations. Students will also work in groups during class and are thus expected to communicate in English.		
Course Goals	To introduce students to the key concepts in anthropology and to different cultural practices around the world.		
Course Schedule	<p>The content may change depending on the students' progress.</p> <p>Lesson 1 · Course Introduction and What to Expect</p> <p>Lesson 2 · What is Anthropology and Cultural Anthropology</p> <p>Lesson 3 · World Cultures Overview, Ethnography</p> <p>Lesson 4 · Asian Cultures, Culture, Data</p> <p>Lesson 5 · European Cultures, Languages and Linguistic Anthropology</p> <p>Lesson 6 · American Cultures, Regional Differences</p> <p>Lesson 7 · Japanese Culture, Regional Differences, Topics in Japan Anthropology</p> <p>Lesson 8 · Practicum: Researching Cultures</p> <p>Lesson 9 · African Cultures, Religion</p> <p>Lesson 10 · Presentation 1: Present Findings about Culture</p> <p>Lesson 11 · Latin American Cultures, Travel Diaries</p> <p>Lesson 12 · Practicum: Researching Cultures, Contemporary Issues</p> <p>Lesson 13 · Practicum: Research and Presenting about Culture</p> <p>Lesson 14 Tuesday 19 July · Final Test</p> <p>Lesson 15 Tuesday 26 July · Presentation 2: Present Findings</p>		
Homework	Students will be expected to positively engage in preparation for and review of lesson material. In addition to a general explanation regarding preparations for the course to be given at the beginning of the semester, instructors will be providing specific instructions at appropriate times throughout the semester regarding preparation for individual classes. Students will additionally be expected to proactively establish their own goals and learning plans and to autonomously engage therein. If students do not prepare adequately, they may fail to master the content and consequently there is a possibility that they be unable to gain credit for the course. It is therefore heartily recommended that students earnestly and systematically engage in preparation for classes.		
Grading System	<p>Students are expected to attend all classes. That is your job. But you can be absent (欠席) for TWO classes! However, if you are absent, you still have to hand in homework on time by email on the day of the deadline. If you are sick, you can hand homework in at the start of the next class. BUT YOU CANNOT BE ABSENT IN WEEKS 13, 14, 15.</p> <p>A third absence in the course will result in - 10% of the students' final grade and a fourth absence will result in the automatic failure of the course.</p> <p>Coming late to class will result in a - 5% of students' overall grade.</p> <p>There is only one reason I will accept for extra absences = Sickness.</p> <p>If you are sick, then you must produce evidence at the next class. For example, a prescription (処方箋) from the chemist with DATES on. Sending me an email saying "I am sick" is NOT proof.</p> <p>Use your two free absences wisely.</p> <p>If you have forgotten your textbook, tell me before the class starts. You can then make a photocopy. But you will have to pay for the copy.</p> <p>Participation (20%)</p> <p>Students are expected to participate in the class. This includes doing all in class activities, answering questions, and paying attention. It does not matter if your answer is correct or incorrect. Just answer and pay attention.</p> <p>Homework (30%)</p> <p>Students will be given homework assignments. These include reading, writing, and short answer assignments. There will be several research and writing assignments that students are expected to complete. LATE HOMEWORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNLESS YOU ARE SICK.</p> <p>Homework will be graded with an A, C, or F. An "A" grade means the homework assignment has been done acceptably. A "C" grade means that the homework needs to be improved and the student will receive partial credit. An "F" grade means that no credit will be given for the assignment, either because the student did not do</p>		

	<p>the assignment correctly or did not submit the assignment.</p> <p>Final Test (20%) There will be a final test in the class, given on week 14. Students will be expected to answer questions based on the topics covered in class. This test will be in the form of essays and short answer questions. The most important thing to passing is to pay attention in class and take notes.</p> <p>Presentations (10% each) Students will be required to give two formal presentations in the class. The first will be worth 10% and the second will be worth 10%. Students will be graded on their overall presentation habits, their ability to communicate their message, and their overall preparedness. Students will NOT be graded on their ability to speak perfectly, although this will be looked upon favourably. Students are encouraged to focus on communication and delivering their message with fluency rather than speaking like a native English speaker. Mistakes are encouraged.</p> <p>Final Research Summary (10%) Students will be required to write a final research summary of the culture that they have research throughout the year. This will be a 1,000 word paper that explains the language, culture, customs, and beliefs of a culture that students will select in class.</p>
Textbooks / Reading List	There will be no textbook for this class. Instead, students will receive weekly reading they are expected to compete before coming to class. These readings will be related to the topics discussed in the class that particular week.
Websites	
Website of Laboratory	
Additional Information	<p>Students are required to have their course notebook with them each week. These will occasionally be collected to check students' progress. Failure to bring the notebook to class will result in loss of participation points.</p> <p>This course is open to students with an Intermediate English ability (a score of 420-500 on the TOEFL-ITP), and will be also opened as a code-shared subject of "International Exchange Program".</p>