

GRADUATE COURSES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

DIVERSITY CONCENTRATION AS OF 1/3/07

ANTH 810. Women and Men: An Anthropological Perspective

(3 cr) Prereq: 9 hrs ANTH.

Cross-cultural exploration of the meaning and impact of gender definition, with special emphasis on women. Gender is examined as a correlate of biology, language, economic systems, social and political structures, and belief systems.

ANTH 812. Social Structure (3 cr) Prereq: ANTH 212 or equivalent.

Analysis of social structure emphasizing kin and local groups.

ANTH 813. Culture and Personality (3 cr) Prereq: ANTH 212 or permission.

Advanced study of selected topics in cultural anthropology.

ANTH 820. Ethnic Identity and Ethnic Conflict (3 cr)

Concept of ethnicity and ethnic groups. Reviews way in which ethnic groups emerge and ethnic relations affect the modern nation state. Several ethnic conflicts reviewed and examined, accompanied by discussion of the dynamics of each of these situations. How ethnic identity is formed, adjusted and recreated.

ANTH 821. School Culture of Minorities: Investigations in Educational Anthropology (3 cr)

Principles of anthropology to school settings and educational processes. Major emphases include American minorities, the culture of schools, and education as process in the range of societies studied by anthropologists. Introduction to ethnographic methods.

ANTH 840. The Black Family (3 cr) Prereq: ETHN 200.

Social, political, and cultural rights of black families: family secrets and stories, gender roles, issues of intimacy and equality in family relationships, the role of children and external factors that impact black family structures and patterns in African on the African Diaspora

ANTH 844. Biology of Human Variation (3 cr) Prereq: ANTH 110 or permission.

Introduction to the scope and meaning of human biological variation with emphasis on present day populations.

ANTH 845. Black Social Movements (3 cr) Prereq: ETHN 200.

Mass or popular black movements emphasizing human rights and their political, cultural, and intellectual impact, historical continuity and organization.

ANTH 872. Belief Systems in Anthropological Perspective (3 cr)

Prereq: ANTH 110 or permission.

Cross-cultural examination of the structure, form, and functions of belief systems. Interrelationship between the ideological subsystem of a culture and its social, political, and economic organization. Primitive and contemporary societies surveyed.

ANTH 876. Human Rights, Environment, and Development (3 cr) Prereq: ANTH 212.

Human rights from an anthropological perspective. Assesses issues of significance in the area of international human rights, development, and the environment, paying specific attention to concerns such as Western and non-Western perspectives on human rights; individual rights and collective (group) rights; social, economic, and cultural rights; women's rights; indigenous peoples and minority groups' rights; and planetary (environmental) rights. Particular emphasis on rights to food, culture, development, and a healthy ecosystem.

COMM *850. Seminar in Gender and Communication (3 cr)

Prereq: COMM 200 and 201.

Relationship between gender and communication. Theories and research on gender and communication, serving as the basis for studying the interrelationships among language, social reality, sex role stereotypes, and cultural values.

COMM 852. Communication and Culture (3 cr) Prereq: COMM

200 and 201 or permission. Theories of human communication and culture as the basis for investigation of human communication in a variety of cultural contexts and activities.

COMM 950A. Perspectives in Communication and Culture (3

cr) Prereq: Permission.

The ways race, gender, ethnicity, and nationality are constructed in cultural discourses. Influence of various media on the standardizations of images.

COMM 950D. Current Issues in Communication and Culture

(3 cr) Prereq: Permission.

Investigation of current topics in the research on the relationship between cultural processes and human communication. Current research on the relationship between communication and gender, ethnicity, and politics.

EDPS *868. Multicultural Counseling (3 cr) Prereq: EDPS *866 or comparable course or permission.

Ethnic subcultures in the US, cross-cultural communication systems, and change strategies. Cultural cues and barriers in counseling, personal assumptions and values, and active experiencing of cultural diversity in the counseling relationship.

SPED 872. Psychology and Sociology of Deafness (3 cr)

Brief overview of education of the hearing impaired including history of, professional roles in, and educational programming within this field. Overview of social/psychological theories as related to the hearing impaired. Patterns of social/emotional development, psychological characteristics, issues of the family stress and social adaptation and discussion of counseling techniques.

FACS *875. Youth in Cultural Contexts (3 cr) Prereq:

Admission to family and consumer sciences graduate program. *Distance education course delivered by Michigan State University.* Cultural context factors that affect youth from a holistic perspective within and outside the family unit. The cultural heritage of differing family types. Social and educational processes.

FACS 893. Special Topics in Contemporary Family Issues (1-3 cr, max 18) (UNL, UNO)

Current family related issues such as: debt management, gender and family, low income families, retirement planning, work and family, mothering, fathering, and housing. Topics vary.

FACS 895. Special Topics in Family and Cultural Diversity (3 cr, max 18) (UNL, UNO)

Current topics related to diverse populations. E.g., religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity.

FACS 956. Treatment of Human Sexual Dysfunction (3 cr)

Prereq: Permission. *This course is only open to those students involved in clinical training.*

Investigation of the literature, research, and theories of typical and atypical sexual behavior and expression. Assessment and treatments of sexual dysfunctions and other problematic sexual behavior will be examined from a theoretical and applied perspective.

FACS 980. Comparative Family Systems (3 cr)

Structure and functioning of families in other cultures. Analysis of the interchanges between the family and larger society at different stages of the life cycle.

FACS 981. Readings in Family Life (3 cr) Prereq: 18 hrs

family and consumer sciences, psychology, educational psychology, or sociology. Analysis and critical evaluation of major theories and current related literature in such phases of family life as development of personality, mate selection, and adjustment in marriage.

GEOG 844. Geodemographics: Theoretical Concepts and Practical Applications (3 cr)

Geodemographic analysis and interpretation of geographical patterns of population size, population composition and population change. Emphasis on applications of geodemographic techniques in fields such as retail site selection, marketing research, environmental impact analysis, public facilities planning, electoral redistricting and the operation and maintenance of socioeconomically oriented geographic information systems (GIS).

GEOG 847. Political Geography (3 cr)

Importance of factors of a physical, economic, and human character in political development at local to global scales; international geopolitical aspects of environment, territoriality, core areas, capitals, and boundaries; national geographical

patterns of voting, representation, public administration and public policy.

GEOG *831. Cultural Geography (3 cr)

The history of cultural geography from von Humboldt through Carl Sauer to the "new" cultural geographies of Don Mitchell, Gillian Rose and Noel Castree. The current theoretical debates of feminism, post-structuralism, post-colonialism and environmentalism, and the influences of literary and cultural studies in the development of cultural geography and the various methodologies involved.

GEOG 931. Comparative Studies of the Dispossession of Indigenous Peoples (3 cr)

Dispossession of the indigenous peoples of Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the United States from a historical, spatial and interdisciplinary approach. Emphasis on human rights, including topics such as the legal assumptions of colonization, reduction of land holdings, population loss, resistance, and land claims.

GEOG 940. Seminar in Human Geography (1-9 cr, max 9)

Structure of settlement patterns and the factors influencing their development.

HIST 844. American Urban and Social History II (3 cr)

Survey and analysis of the impact of metropolitan development, industrialization, and the modernization of values, ideas, and mores on American society between the Civil War and the recent past. Breakdown of the old criteria of class and group definitions and their replacement by newer, more impersonal, economic categories; the declining role of the farmer in American life; the rise and fall of elite "society"; and the further development of the middle and working classes after World War II.

HIST 847. Family History of the U.S. (3 cr)

Broad trends that underlay American family history. Introduces students to the theory, sources, and methods of family history by exploring the impact of such demographic phenomena as population growth, immigration, racial and ethnic heritage, slavery and emancipation, marriage, gender, migration, fertility, and life expectancy.

HIST 848. History of Women and Gender in the American West (WMNS 848) (3 cr)

The effect of colonialism on women and gender in the American West. The impact of Spanish, French, British, and American colonization on American Indian and Spanish/Mexican gender systems. Migration and immigration of Anglo, African American, and Asian women to the West; women's work and community life; and women's reform movements and activism.

HIST 856. Black and/or African American Women's History

(ETHN 456, WMNS 856) (3 cr)

From African origins in the 15th century to the late 20th century. The transatlantic slave trade, "New World" experiences, slavery and resistance, sexuality, cultural persistence and evolution, racial strife, the struggle for civil rights, and black womanist and feminist theories.

HIST 860. The Civil Rights Movement (ETHN 460) (3 cr)

The origins, contours, ideas, movement centers, personalities and legacies of the U.S. Civil Rights and Black Power movements, 1950s-1970s. The roles of African-American masses, college and high school students, and women. Points of conflict and cooperation between African-America and mainstream America.

HIST 864. Native American History: Selected Topics (ETHN 464) (3 cr)

Readings and discussions that cover in depth one or more central issues in Native American history. Includes Native Americans and the environment, Native Americans in the 19th or 20th century, Native Americans and federal Indian policy, Native Americans and gender, and Native Americans of regions other than the Great Plains.

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HIST 865. History of Plains Indians (ETHN 465) (3 cr)
History and culture of Native Americans of the Great Plains from earliest times through the twentieth century, stressing the history of migration, religion, diplomacy, politics, and society. All of the Indian nations of the Great Plains considered.

HIST 951. History of Women and Gender (WMNS 951) (3 cr)
A comparative approach, offering readings on a central theme from a variety of periods and/or areas. Themes vary.

SOCI 844. Social Demography (3 cr)
Historical and cross-cultural approach to population issues by linking changes in fertility and mortality to social institutions. Focus on the link between population processes and such issues as gender roles, the role of the family, Third World poverty, and inequality.

SOCI 848. Family Diversity (ETHN 448) (3 cr) Prereq: 9 hrs sociology or related social science. Analyzes diversity in family structure and family choices. Topics: rural families, gay/lesbian families, Native American families, African American families, Latino families, working class and working poor families and cohabitation.

SOCI 849. Family Research and Theory (3 cr)
Contemporary theory and research dealing with family structure and change. Focuses on family systems that characterize different social classes and various ethnic groups in our society. Selected problems and contemporary research emphasized.

SOCI 852. Sociology of Religion (3 cr)
Sources and nature of religion, drawing on the contributions of anthropologists, sociologists, psychologists, and others. Emphasis on the interaction of religion and society.

SOCI 881. Minority Groups (ETHN 481) (3 cr) Prereq: 9 hrs sociology or related social sciences. Systematic examination of racial, ethnic, and other minority groups. History and present status of such groups, the origins of prejudice and discrimination, and the application of social science knowledge toward the elimination of minority group problems.

SOCI 890. Sociology of Women (3 cr)
Evaluation and application of scholarly theory and research on women in their societal context. Nature and effects of sex stratification, gendered culture, institutionalized sexism, feminist theory and sociology of knowledge.

SOCI 904. Seminar in Family (3 cr, max 9) Prereq: Permission.

SOCI 905. Seminar in Stratification, Class, and Inequality (3 cr, max 9) Prereq: Permission.

SOCI 906. Seminar in Race and Ethnicity (3 cr, max 9)
Prereq: Permission.

SOCI 907. Seminar in Sex and Gender (3 cr, max 9) Prereq: Permission.

PSYC 979. Cultural Diversity in Psychology (3 cr) Prereq: Permission.
Influence of culturally driven world-views on psychological functioning and on psychological theory. American psychological theory, research and practice influenced by the socialization and world-views of the contributing psychologists. Ways in which existing theory and practice accommodate—or fail to accommodate—the world-views and experiences of racial/ethnic minorities in the contemporary United States.

PSYC 920-930. Seminars in Psychology (1-9 cr each) Prereq: Advanced graduate standing and permission.

929. Social Behavior – Psychology of Racism and Ethnicity

Readings courses with appropriate topics may be used. Presently the graduate level of Psychology of Diversity is taught under a readings course.

PSYC 971. Psychological Literature I (1-6 cr)
Reading assignments in special fields; library reading, conferences.

972. Psychological Literature II (1-6 cr) For course description, see PSYC 971.

Note – 800 level classes in the Department of Psychology such as PSYC 821 and PSYC 825 are not considered appropriate for the Diversity Concentration as they are taught at more of an undergraduate level.