Below is a list of study questions to help you organize your thoughts about the course and prepare for the second exam.

Anthropology of War
Second Exam Coverage:

- Keeley chapters 3-9
- Kelly Chapter 2
- Meggitt Chapters 4-6
- Pinker video on the decline of violence
- Web readings:
  - Walker on bioarchaeology of violence;
  - MacDonald on Male Warrior;
  - Killer Instincts
Second Exam Questions (I)

- What is the relationship between population density and warfare as postulated by Marlowe, Ember & Ember, Keeley, and Kelly?
- What are the theoretical reasons to associate warfare with population density?
- Aside from warfare, Pinker argues that many forms of violence has declined through time?
  - What examples does he use?
  - What are the causes of the decline of violence? (Some hints: trade, better administration of justice)
- What are examples of the ingroup and outgroup models of violence?
- What social psychological factors lead males to effectively engage in coalitional violence
- According to Ember and Ember what roles do resource shortages and resources uncertainty play in generating war cross-culturally?
- In what ways does type of warfare effect post-marital residence rules?
Second Exam Questions (II)

- Following Keeley, how does modern warfare differ from “primitive” warfare in terms of deadliness, frequency, organization, etc.?
- Both Keeley and Kelly critique Quincy Wright’s ideas about the purposes of war in relation to social complexity. What were Wright’s ideas and the positions taken by Keeley and Wright?
- It is commonly argued that cross-cutting ties (e.g., through trade and intermarriage) reduce the probability of warfare. What doubt do Keeley, Kelly, and Meggitt place on this idea?
- How does the evolutionary model of Dyson-Hudson and Smith correspond to Kelly’s two postulates regarding warfare in unsegmented societies?
- Tribal zone theorists such as Ferguson claim that much of the war we see in tribal societies is a consequence of outside contact. How do warfare patterns Plains Native Americans support this claim?
- If one were to claim that cannibalism was a form of intentional violence or warfare, what kinds of evidence would be useful?
Second Exam Questions (III)

- According to Keeley why do the following lead to more war?
  - Frontier areas
  - New technology

- Keeley believes there are multiple causes of war such as?

- Evolutionary researchers believe that behaviors have multiple levels (or causes) of explanation.
  - What are they?
  - Can Ember’s idea of fear and mistrust and resources fit in this perspective?
Second Exam Questions (IV)

- Describe the complexities, difficulties, and details of peace making among the Mae Enga.

- After peace was established by Australian patrols what kinds of social changes occurred in Mae Enga and what role did the Mae Enga play in the administrative structure? Why did war resume after this initial period of peace?

- According to Kelly, what characteristics of unsegmented societies make warfare less likely compared to segmented societies? Here are some answers:
  - Mobile settlement pattern
  - Lack of stored resources
  - Lack of food getting infrastructure
  - Exogamic marriages