



The University of Southern Queensland

Course specification

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Description: Applied Anthropology and Professional Practice

Subject	Cat-nbr	Class	Term	Mode	Units	Campus
ANT	4003	67067	2, 2007	ONC	1.00	Toowoomba

Academic group:	FOART
Academic org:	FOA003
Student contribution band:	1
ASCED code:	090303

STAFFING

Moderator: Lara Lamb

REQUISITES

Pre-requisite: Students must be enrolled in the following Program: BAHN

RATIONALE

A fourth year Honours in Anthropology is the minimum professional requirement recognised within the discipline and amongst state and federal government bodies in order to be employed professionally. Thus is it considered essential that students are given greater exposure to anthropology as praxis.

SYNOPSIS

This course aims to expose students to anthropological practice in the real world. In this context it will examine the social contexts in which applied anthropology is carried out and how this influences professional practice, including a significant section on ethical issues. Case studies of anthropologists working in applied settings will be utilised so that students can gain a realistic feel for the varied settings and challenges of applied practice. Students will be able to choose a case study module most closely aligned to their thesis topic.

OBJECTIVES

On completion of this course students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of anthropology as praxis.
2. Demonstrate an indepth understanding of ethical issues in anthropological practice.

TOPICS

Description	Weighting (%)
1. History and background	25.00

2.	Policy, Policy Analysis and Practice	25.00
3.	Ethics in applied Research and Practice	25.00
4.	Becoming a Professional	25.00

TEXT and MATERIALS required to be PURCHASED or ACCESSED

ALL textbooks and materials are available for purchase from USQ BOOKSHOP (unless otherwise stated). Orders may be placed via secure internet, free fax 1800642453, phone 07 46312742 (within Australia), or mail. Overseas students should fax +61 7 46311743, or phone +61 7 46312742. For costs, further details, and internet ordering, use the 'Textbook Search' facility at <http://bookshop.usq.edu.au> click 'Semester', then enter your 'Course Code' (no spaces).

Stewart, P, Strathern A. 2004, *Anthropology and consultancy: issues and debates*, , Berghahn Books, Oxford.

REFERENCE MATERIALS

Reference materials are materials that, if accessed by students, may improve their knowledge and understanding of the material in the course and enrich their learning experience.

Ervin, AM 2000, *Applied anthropology: tools and perspectives for contemporary practice*, , Allyn and Bacon, New York.

McDonald, JK 2001, *Applied Anthropology reader*, , Allyn and Bacon, New York.

Pink, S (ed.) 2005, *Applications of Anthropology: professional anthropology in the Twenty-first Century*, , Berghahn Books, New York.

Sutton, P 2003, *Native title in Australia: an ethnographic perspective*, , Cambridge University Press, Cambridge.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

ACTIVITY	HOURS
Directed Study	26.00
Private Study	139.00

ASSESSMENT DETAILS

Description	Marks out of	Wtg(%)	Due date
SEMINAR/CASE STUDY (1000 wds)	100.00	10.00	03 Aug 2007 (see note 1)
MAJOR ESSAY (2000 words)	100.00	45.00	07 Sep 2007 (see note 2)
ASSIGNMENT 1	100.00	35.00	12 Oct 2007 (see note 3)
REFLEXIVE JOURNAL	100.00	10.00	26 Oct 2007 (see note 4)

NOTES

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IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

- 1 Attendance requirements:
Since the objectives will be equally taught by private study and by face-to-face sessions, it is strongly advised that students attend all seminars for this course. It is also the students' responsibility to study all material provided to them or required to be accessed by them to maximise their chance of meeting the objectives of the course and to be informed of course-related activities and administration. For this course, normal class attendance consists of one 2 hour seminar per week.
- 2 Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
To successfully complete an individual assessment item, a student must achieve at least 50% of the marks or a grade of at least C-. This statement must be read in conjunction with Statement 4 below.
- 3 Penalties for late submission of required work:
If students submit assignments after the due date without prior approval, then a penalty of 10% of the total marks available for the assignment will apply for each of the first FIVE working days late, after which a zero mark will be given.
- 4 Requirements for student to be awarded a passing grade in the course:
To be assured of receiving a passing grade a student must achieve at least 50% of the total weighted marks available for the course.
- 5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
The final grades for students will be assigned on the basis of the aggregate of the weighted marks obtained for each of the summative assessment items in the course.
- 6 Examination information:
There is no exam for this course.
- 7 Examination period when Deferred/Supplementary examinations will be held:
Given the details under (6) above, there are no deferred exams for this course. However, if any deferred/makeup work is granted, it would have to be submitted by a date set by the examiner.
- 8 University Regulations:

Students should read USQ Regulations 5.1 Definitions, 5.6 Assessment, and 5.10 Academic Misconduct for further information and to avoid actions which might contravene University Regulations. These regulations can be found at the URL <http://www.usq.edu.au/corporateservices/calendar/part5.htm>

ASSESSMENT NOTES

- 9 (a) The due date for an assignment is the date by which a student must lodge the assignment at the USQ. (b) All Faculty of Arts assignments must be lodged in the Faculty Assessment Centre on the Ground Floor of Q Block no later than 12 noon on the due date. (c) Students must retain a copy of each item submitted for assessment. This must be despatched to USQ within 24 hours if requested by the Examiner. (d) In accordance with University's Assignment Extension Policy (Regulation 5.6.1), the examiner of a course may grant an extension of the due date of an assignment in extenuating circumstances such as documented ill-health. (e) Students who have undertaken all of the required assessments in the course but who have failed to meet some of the specified objectives of the course within the normally prescribed time may be awarded the temporary grade: **IM** (Incomplete-Makeup). An IM grade will only be awarded when, in the opinion of the examiner, a student will be able to achieve the remaining objectives of the course after a period of non-directed personal study. (f) Students who, for medical, family/personal, or employment-related reasons, are unable to complete an assignment or sit for an examination at the scheduled time, may apply to defer an assessment in the course. Such a request must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation. One of the following temporary grades may be awarded: **IDS** (Incomplete - Deferred Examination); **IDM** (Incomplete Deferred Make-up); **IDB** (Incomplete - Both Deferred Examination and Deferred Make-up).
- 10 Students will require access to email and have internet access to USQConnect for this course.