



The University of Southern Queensland

## Course specification

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### Description: Applied Anthropology: The Practical Applications of the Discipline

Subject	Cat-nbr	Class	Term	Mode	Units	Campus
ANT	2006	75355	1, 2008	ONC	1.00	Toowoomba

<b>Academic group:</b>	FOART
<b>Academic org:</b>	FOA003
<b>Student contribution band:</b>	1
<b>ASCED code:</b>	090303

## STAFFING

Examiner: Bryce Barker  
Moderator: Lara Lamb

## REQUISITES

Pre-requisite: ANT1000 or ANT1001

## RATIONALE

Many students find work in the area of applied anthropology, for example, in the native title, cultural heritage and development areas. It is important for students to have a sense of how anthropology works in real world applied contexts, and this course focuses on producing such an understanding.

## SYNOPSIS

This course is designed to give undergraduate students an understanding of the contexts in which anthropological theories and methods are applied in Australia and overseas, grounding in the techniques of anthropological practice in these contexts, as well as an emergent sense of the issues and debates that surround and arise from the application of anthropological theories and methods. It is strongly recommended that all students who intend seeking employment (and therefore intend undertaking Honours) in Anthropology take this course.

## OBJECTIVES

On completion of this course students will have:

1. a good sense of the application of anthropology to specific areas of human life;
2. knowledge of some of the key theories of applied anthropology;
3. knowledge of some of the methods in and through which anthropology might be applied in context;
4. knowledge of some of the issues arising from the application of anthropology in certain contexts;
5. essay writing skills;

6. discussion skills gained from participation in tutorial/online situations;
7. critical response skills gained from tutorial/online participation;
8. critical reading and analytic skills;
9. the ability to apply and practice methodological skills acquired.

## TOPICS

	Description	Weighting (%)
1.	Theories	20.00
2.	Methods	20.00
3.	Applied Contexts	20.00
4.	Ethics	20.00
5.	Issues	20.00

## 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).

Prepared Booklet of collected readings in contemporary anthropological theory and practice, complete with notes on further recommended reading.

## 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.

## STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

ACTIVITY	HOURS
Lectures	26.00
Private Study	66.00
Project Work	60.00
Tutorials	13.00

## ASSESSMENT DETAILS

Description	Marks out of	Wtg (%)	Due date
TUTORIAL PARTICIPATION	100.00	10.00	03 Mar 2008 (see note 1)
ESSAY	100.00	20.00	02 May 2008 (see note 2)
APPLIED PROJECT	100.00	30.00	16 May 2008 (see note 3)
CRITICAL RESPONSE PAPER	100.00	20.00	30 May 2008 (see note 4)
ETHICS APPLICATION	100.00	20.00	13 Jun 2008 (see note 5)

### NOTES

1. Tutorials will be assessed on the basis of the quality of contribution, evidence of preparation, and demonstration of a comprehension of course materials in line with course objectives. This assessment is aligned with Objectives 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8.
2. This assessment is aligned with Objectives 5 and 6.
3. This assessment is aligned with Objectives 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9.
4. This assessment is aligned with Objectives 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8.
5. This assessment is aligned with Objectives 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9.

## IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

- 1 Attendance requirements:  
It is the student's responsibility to attend and participate appropriately in all activities (such as lectures, tutorials, laboratories and practical work) scheduled for them, and 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 lecture and one 1 hour tutorial 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 extenuating circumstances and without prior approval, then a penalty of a maximum of 5% of the assigned mark may apply for each working day late, up to a maximum of 10 working days, at which time a mark of zero can be recorded for that assignment.
- 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) In the event that a due date for an assignment falls on a local public holiday in their area, such as a Show holiday, the due date for the assignment will be the next day. Students are to note on the assignment cover the date of the public holiday for the examiner's convenience. (d). 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. (e) 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. (f) 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. (g) 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 can expect that questions in assessment items in this course may draw upon knowledge and skills that they can reasonably be expected to have acquired before enrolling in the course. This includes knowledge contained in pre-requisite courses and appropriate communication, information literacy, analytical, critical thinking, problem solving or numeracy skills. Students who do not possess such knowledge and skills should not expect to achieve the same grades as those students who do possess them.