Description: Independent Study in Anthropology

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Academic group: FOART

Academic org: FOA003

Student contribution band: 1

ASCED code: 090303

STAFFING

Examiner: Bryce Barker
Moderator: Lara Lamb

REQUISITES

Pre-requisite: ANT1000 and ANT1001 and ANT2000 and any other two Anthropology courses.

SYNOPSIS

This independent study provides students with the opportunity to carry out a study, in depth, of a topic of relevance to their work in Anthropology. Such a study may take several different forms; most commonly a literature review of current issues or debates in their area of interest, but also methodological investigations. This is an advanced, third level subject, and as such requires adequate preparation as indicated by prerequisite courses. High standards of competency and rigour are expected of students. This does not preclude students from attempting to work in an area which is unfamiliar to them. However conceptually, theoretically, and critically, the work is expected to demonstrate their advanced, third year standard.

OBJECTIVES

The following general objectives must be met by all students passing this course. Students must demonstrate, with reference to the topic selected:

1. A knowledge of relevant research or scholarship, theory and methodology.
2. An ability to critically evaluate, synthesize and integrate appropriate prior research and theory.
3. Appropriate research or scholarship skills whilst conducting their study program, including project design and organisation.
4. Competence in writing a final report on their research or scholarship activities incorporating appropriate professional style and formatting criteria.
5. Other specific objectives will be developed for each student in consultation with the students project supervisor.
TOPICS

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<td>1. Students are required to develop their own topic. The topic area chosen must take into consideration the following:</td>
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<td>1.1. the personal skills and background of the student;</td>
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<td>1.2. the availability of a staff member willing and competent to supervise the student in the topic area chosen;</td>
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<td>1.3. the necessary resources to successfully complete the study (eg availability of subjects for research, community resources, adequate library resources, suitable techniques for data collection and analysis etc.)</td>
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<td>1.4. the topic and outline of the proposed study must be agreed to by the first examiner and moderator no later than the third week of the semester.</td>
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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).


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.

Students will be directed to certain reference materials specific to their topic of study by their supervisor.

STUDENT WORKLOAD REQUIREMENTS

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<td>Project Work</td>
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ASSESSMENT DETAILS

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(see note 1)

NOTES
1. The final report is to be a written report of 7,500 to 10,000 words

IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

1 Attendance requirements:
   It is the students' 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.

2 Requirements for students to complete each assessment item satisfactorily:
   To complete each of the assessment items satisfactorily, students must obtain at least
   50% of the marks available for each assessment item.

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 a passing grade, students must demonstrate, via the summative
   assessment items, that they have achieved the required minimum standards in relation
   to the objectives of the course by obtaining at least 50% of the total weighted marks
   for all summative assessment.

5 Method used to combine assessment results to attain final grade:
   The final grades for students will be assigned on the basis of the weighted aggregate
   of the marks (or grades) 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 or in the current USQ
   Handbook.
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) Students must retain a copy of each item submitted for assessment. This must be produced within five days if required by the Examiner. (c) 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. (d) 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. (e) 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).