

## 2020/2021

# **Ethnographic Texts and Audiovisual Resources**

Code: 101277 ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Туре	Year	Semester
2500256 Social and Cultural Anthropology	FB	1	1

The proposed teaching and assessment methodology that appear in the guide may be subject to changes as a result of the restrictions to face-to-face class attendance imposed by the health authorities.

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# **Prerequisites**

There is no prerequisite to take this course

# **Objectives and Contextualisation**

This course develops basic training in Social and Cultural Anthropology. It is part of the "basic concepts and fields of anthropology" subject.

This course will anlyze concepts and classic fields of anthropology through ethnographic texts and audiovisual sources by placing descriptive and theoretical categories in the historical context of the discipline and by critically approaching stylistic resources of ethnographic documents.

After this course, the student will be able:

- To recognize cultural variability and to prevent the formulation of ethnocentric judgments.
- To manage classic and current ethnographic information sources in order to retrieve relevant data.
- To explain and to present the analytical outcomes of the selected ethnographic corpus.

# Competences

- Apprehending cultural diversity through ethnography and critically assessing ethnographic materials as knowledge of local contexts and as a proposal of theoretical models.
- Respecting the diversity and plurality of ideas, people and situations.

# **Use of Languages**

Principal working language: catalan (cat)
Some groups entirely in English: No
Some groups entirely in Catalan: Yes
Some groups entirely in Spanish: Yes

- Students must be capable of collecting and interpreting relevant data (usually within their area of study) in order to make statements that reflect social, scientific or ethical relevant issues.
- Students must have and understand knowledge of an area of study built on the basis of general secondary education, and while it relies on some advanced textbooks it also includes some aspects coming from the forefront of its field of study.
- Using the discipline's ethnographic and theoretical corpus with analytical and synthesis skills.

# **Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Applying the knowledge of cultural variability and its genesis to avoid ethnocentric projections.
- 2. Apprehending cultural diversity through ethnography.
- 3. Engaging in debates about historical and contemporary facts and respecting the other participants' opinions.
- 4. Identifying the sociocultural variability through ethnographic texts and audiovisual resources.
- 5. Identifying the theories concerning the different meanings of the concept of culture.
- 6. Interpreting the cultural diversity through ethnography.
- 7. Theoretically analysing ethnographic examples of cultural diversity in the fields of kinship, economy, politics and religion.
- 8. Using the ethnographic corpus in the cultural critique.

## Content

Lesson 1. Ethnography, Otherness and Culture.

Lesson 2. Ethnographic texts and audiovisual productions. Classical fields, historical contexts and disciplinary productions.

Lesson 3. Ethnography today.

# Methodology

Lectures Methodology:

- Lectures supported by new information and communication technologies .
- Presentation and specific guidelines for the autonomous search of documentation in archives and ethnographic databases.
- Viewing and discussion of ethnographic documentaries.
- Creation of reviews and bibliographical works, individually and /or in a group.
- Elaboration of concept maps and abstracts.

## Training activities:

- Theoretical classes and discussion sessions oriented by audio-visual and written documents.
- Computer and multimedia sessions.
- Definition and disciplinary genesis of key words and concepts.
- Simulations of search and ethnographic data-gathering in multimedia formats.
- Comprehensive reading and discussion of texts and analysis of audiovisual products with ethnographic content.
- Individual study and team discussion prior to papers submission.
- Oral expositions and essay elaboration in Virtual Learning Environments.

## **Activities**

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Analysis of textual, archive and audiovisual ethnographic documents.	12	0.48	7, 1, 4, 6, 2, 8
Lectures	32.5	1.3	7, 1, 4, 5, 6, 3, 2, 8
Type: Supervised			
Individual tutoring, in-person and / or virtual	9	0.36	4, 6
Modules-oriented Tutorials, in-person and / or virtual	10.5	0.42	7, 2, 8
Type: Autonomous			
Individual study and preparation of essays	40	1.6	7, 1, 4, 5, 6, 3, 2, 8
Information search (archives, repositories)	20	0.8	4, 8
Reeading and documentary viewings	21.5	0.86	7, 4, 5, 6, 3

## **Assessment**

The evaluation is organized according four different modules:

Module 1: Exam, individual, on the contents worked in class and compulsory readings. [40%].

The specific modality of the exam (face-to-face, online, test, short question ...) will be adapted to the dynamic of the course. The teacher will inform the students of any change in advance.

At the beginning of the course, a document will be posted at the Classroom Moodle specifying the date of the exam, the necessary materials for its preparation, as well as the compulsory readings.

The module could not be graded if the exam is not done at the appointed deadline (with the sole exception of justified and duly accredited causes).

Module 2: Individual exercise of analysis of ethnographic material (texts and audiovisual material). [30%]

The student must answer in a reasoned way several questions about an ethnography and a set of audiovisuals

At the beginning of the course, a document will be posted at the Classsroom Moodle where the necessary materials for the preparation, general instructions, evaluation criteria, as well as the format and the delivery date will be explained.

The module could not be graded if the student does not present the work within the deadline (with the sole exception of justified and duly accredited causes).

Module 3: Group exercise to search for and analyze ethnographic information using the ehraf World Cultures. [twenty%]

At the beginning of the course, the students will be allocated by the teacher in different working groups. Each group should answer a question using ethnographic information from the ehraf World Cultures. Likewise, each group should produce a videowhich will reflect the work performed by each working group. Each working group will present their videos in class (in person or virtually) and this presentation will be part of the evaluation.

At the beginning of the course, a document with the instructions, evaluation criteria as well as format and delivery date will be posted at the Classroom Moodle

The module could not be graded if the group not present the work within the required deadline (with the sole exception of justified and duly accredited causes).

Module 4: Class activities [10%]

By monitoring the performance and participation in proposed class activities this module evaluates the students involvement throughout the course. The class activities will be adapted to the dynamics of the course which will be explained in the due course.

Due to their nature, the activities in this module will not be able to be re-evaluated

Grade review procedure

The revision date as well as the process of revision will be posted in the Classroom Moodle after each evaluation

Conditions for "Not evaluable"

The course will be considered non-evaluable if the student has not presented any of the activities corresponding to modules 1, 2 and 3.

Conditions for re-evaluation

- The activities of module 4 are NOT able to be re-evaluated.
- Modules 1, 2 and 3 can be re-evaluated. In order to be re-evaluated the student must have completed the evaluation procedure of Modules 1, 2 and 3.
- The student must be re-evaluated when
- The final grade calculated according the weighting of scores, is less than 5.
- Any of the activities corresponding to modules 1, 2 or 3 are rated less than 3.5.
- The maximum grade that can be obtained in re-evaluation will be 7.

Necessary conditions for passing the course

- Avaluation of modules 1, 2, and 3 is obligatory. The student will not pass the course if does not make the avaluation of these modules.
- The course will be considered passed when the final grade, calculated according to the weighting of scores, is equal or greater than 5.
- In any case the course will be failed if the grade of the modules 1, 2, or 3 is less than 3.5.

Other general evaluation considerations

- The necessary information regarding the materials, completion conditions, format, delivery dates and evaluation criteria of the activities inform modules 1, 2, and 3 will be available in the Classroom Moodle from the beginning of the course.
- A frequent questions document will be available from the beginning of the course in the Classroom Moodle
- The works in group will be carried out within the asignated working group to each student. It is not possible to change of working group.
- Evaluative activities submitted after the due date or that wouldn't conform to the required format standards will not be accepted.

In the event that tests or exams cannot be taken onsite, they will be adapted to an online format made available through the UAB's virtual tools (original weighting will be maintained). Homework, activities and class

participation will be carried out through forums, wikis and/or discussion on Teams, etc. Lecturers will ensure that students are able to access these virtual tools, or will offer them feasible alternatives.

## Plagiarism Considerations

- Each exercise must be the original result of the student/group work. You cannot borrow data from other sources (be it academic works, publications, web plans, etc.) without properly referencing their authorship. If you have questions about what may be considered plagiarism, please do check the FAQ document on the classroom Moodle.

In the event of a student committing any irregularity that may lead to a significant variation in the grade awarded to an assessment activity, the student will be given a zero for this activity, regardless of any disciplinary process that may take place. In the event of several irregularities in assessment activities of the same subject, the student will be given a zero as the final grade for this subject.

## **Assessment Activities**

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Individual exercise of analysis of ethnographic contents	30%	0.5	0.02	1, 4, 6, 3, 2
Active participation in the course sessions.	10%	2	0.08	7, 4, 5, 6, 2, 8
Exam	40%	1.5	0.06	1, 5, 2
Exercise, in group, of search and analysis of ethnographic information.	20%	0.5	0.02	7, 1, 6, 3, 2, 8

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On-line database (only available form UAB-connected computers or those connecting via Virtual Private Network):

- Electronic Human Relation Area Files: http://ehrafworldcultures.yale.edu/ehrafe/
- Human Relation Area Files: http://www.yale.edu/hraf/userguides.html

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It is strongly advised to get an Anthropology handbook to proeprly follow the course contents. You may use any of the following references:

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