



WORLD CULTURES

Spring 2012
CRN82 ANTH 105 01 MWF 8-8:50 AM
Attributes: HO2 and LA
Room: HIRC 2

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Office Hrs: TTh 9:50-11:15 AM
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READING:

1. Check ANGEL before class each day for posted items to read or review.
2. Thomas, Elizabeth Marshall, *The Old Way: A Story of the First People* (2007).
3. Carlo Levi, *Christ Stopped at Eboli*, Noonday Press, 1998 (1947).
4. Assigned handouts and web readings will be posted on ANGEL.

REQUIREMENTS: Communication for this course between the instructor and students takes place during the assigned class schedule, office hours, or in ANGEL, including email. No email communication will be accommodated outside of ANGEL email. Exam I: Fri 27 Feb (25% of grade); Exam 2: Wed 11 Apr (33%); Final: Wed 16 May 8:30 AM (37%). There will also be pop quizzes (5%).

OUTCOMES: Students will learn how to organize and creatively use the information from this class to gain an understanding of the historic variety of human cultures and of the problems of colonialism and industrialization.

TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE:

Introduction:

1. Anthropological Subfields and Concepts
2. The variety of human cultures (matrix handout titled *The Development of Human Society*)

Ethnographic Units:

3. Foragers: read all of *The Old Way: A Story of the First People*
4. Kin-based Societies: extracts from *Ongka's Big Moka* (DVD)
5. Early States: extracts from *The Inca* (Video)
6. Pastoralism: extracts from *The Kirgis* (Video)

Issues in Society and Approaches to the Study of Culture:

7. The Industrial Revolution, Capitalism and the Limits of State Power: *Christ Stopped at Eboli*
8. The Concept of Work and Varieties Labor: Slavery, Neo-Slavery, Peonage, Migratory Wage Labor . . .
9. Colonialism: extracts from *Sugar Cane Alley* (DVD)
10. Conclusion: Exploitation in the Twentieth Century and Beyond – Observations

Check your Angel email for urgent class announcements the night before and the morning of class, especially for weather-related or other emergencies. Please arrive in class on time. Please do not leave class during the assigned period except for emergency. Exams will be given only at time assigned except for illness (no request for early exams will be allowed). Class attendance is required.

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