# ANT 3514C Introduction to Biological Anthropology Summer A 2017

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# **Course Meeting Time:**

Lecture: MTWRF Period 2 (9:30am-10:45am) in CSE E222 Labs:

> section 1277 T Period 5-6 (2:00pm-4:45pm) in TUR B304 section 1278 W Period 5-6 (2:00pm-4:45pm) in TUR B304 section 1279 R Period 5-6 (2:00pm-4:45pm) in TUR B304

# **Course Objectives:**

This course is designed to introduce students to the discipline of Biological Anthropology. Biological Anthropology (i.e. Physical Anthropology) is the study and understanding of the evolution and emergence of humanity, biology and its impact on our current condition, and the evolution and biology of our closest living relatives - the primates. At the end of this course successful students will have a working knowledge of evolutionary theory, primates and their diversity, modern human variation, and the fossil record of human ancestors.

#### **Required Materials:**

Jurmain et al. 2017. *Introduction to Physical Anthropology*, 15<sup>th</sup> Edition. Boston: Cengage. (The 14<sup>th</sup> edition of this text is also acceptable, and cheaper, but may not have all materials.)

#### Grading:

Grade Points to Letter Conversion Chart:							
Α	500-465	B-	414.9-400	D+	349.9-335		
A-	464.9-450	C+	399.9-385	D	334.9-315		
B+	449.9-435	С	384.9-365	D-	314.9-300		
В	434.9-415	C-	364.9-350	Е	299.5-0.0		

500 total points

Course grade consists of 4 components: Tests, Online Quizzes, Pop Quizzes, Labs.

200 pts: 2 Exams (100 pts each). Multiple choice/True False; non-cumulative exams.
180 pts: 6 Labs (30 pts each). Write up assignment based on each week's lab.
100 pts: 4 Online Quizzes (25 pts each).
20 pts: 5 Pop Quizzes (5 pts each—lowest grade dropped).

**Exams**: There will be 2 exams. These will be non-cumulative, and feature multiple choice and true/false, scantron-style questions. You will have the entire course period (9:30-10:45) to complete the exam. The exams are designed to test vocabulary, concepts, and associations relevant to biological anthropology.

**Online Quizzes:** There will be 4 online quizzes each worth 25 points. They will be multiple choice and fill in the blank. Quizzes will be available after class, and will remain open for 4 days. Upon beginning the Quiz you will have 50 minutes to complete it.

**Pop Quizzes:** There will be 5 unannounced quizzes; they will be short answer regarding recently covered material. Only 4 of the quizzes will count towards your final grade.

Labs: There will be 6 labs featuring questions intended to guide students through hands- on activities in the biological anthropology lab. Some labs will contain additional work to be performed outside of class. Students are expected to print a copy of the lab (found on Canvas) and bring it to lab each week; failure to do so may result in missed lab points. Students will be required to complete the lab and turn it to the TA one week after the lab activity.

# **Additional Information:**

# I. Disability Statement:

The Disability Resource Center coordinates the needed accommodations of students with disabilities. This includes registering disabilities, recommending academic accommodations within the classroom, accessing special adaptive computer equipment, providing interpretation services and mediating faculty-student disability related issues. Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.

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# **II. Academic Misconduct:**

Academic misconduct is defined as any activity which tends to compromise the academic integrity of the institution of learning, or to subvert the educational process in any way. Cheating, copying other's work, plagiarism, and other acts of academic misconduct are unethical. UF and the instructor consider these to be serious offenses. All students are responsible for knowing what constitutes academic misconduct; ignorance is not a valid excuse. Alleged cases of academic misconduct will be referred to the proper university committees. There will be a zero tolerance policy in effect.

# III. Absences:

This class is accelerated. Missing even a single lecture or lab will put a student far behind on the material. Therefore it is very important that every effort is made to make every class. In the event of an emergency, specifically: your Military Service is requested, someone in your immediate family dies or is seriously ill (i.e., Spouse, Brother, Sister, Mother, Father, Son, Daughter, or Grandparent), serious personal injury or illness, official school related function (i.e. school sporting event) or attending to academic conferences you will be permitted to make up any missed points, should the appropriate documentation be provided. It is the student's responsibility to contact the instructor and inform them of the emergency either before the class or within a 24-hour period following the missed class. You may e-mail the instructor or leave a message in the Department of Anthropology Office

# **IV. Harassment and Discrimination:**

Harassment is defined as conduct that (1) is of any type (written, oral, graphic, or physical), (2) is directed towards or against a person because of their personal status (i.e. race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, political affiliation, national origin, age, disability, marital status, pregnancy or others), and that (3) unreasonably interferes with the individual's work, education, or participation in activities or programs at UF or creates a working or learning environment that a reasonable person would find threatening. Discrimination is defined as a conduct that (1) adversely affects any aspect of an individual's employment, education, or participation in activities or programs at UF, and (2) is based on one or more personal characteristics listed above. Any student who feels their rights have been violated are asked to confront the offending party, should that not resolve the issue, or the student is uncomfortable with confronting the offending party they may file a complaint with UF Department of Human Resources.

# V. Late Work:

No late work is accepted unless the student meets one of the approved excused absences and has the required documentation.

# VI. Cell phones, computers and touch pads:

Use of cell phones, computers and touch pads will not be actively policed. However, students are asked to please be respectful their fellow students in the course, and also the instructor, who will not appreciate continued distractions.

Schedule:					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	May 9 <sup>th</sup>	May 10 <sup>th</sup>	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	May 12 <sup>th</sup>	
Biology, Humanity and Anthropology	Pre-Darwinian Biology	Darwin and Natural Selection	Heredity and the New Synthesis	OnlineQuiz1 Non-Darwinian Forces	
Read: Jurmain Ch. 1	Read: Jurmain 25-33	Read: Jurmain 33-43	Read: Jurmain 81-99	Read: Jurmain 100-109	
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	May 16 <sup>th</sup>	May 17 <sup>th</sup>	May 18 <sup>th</sup>	May 19 <sup>th</sup>	
Modern Evolutionary Theory	Taxonomy and the Tree of Life Read: Jurmain	Primate Anatomy	Primate Behavior	OnlineQuiz2 Primate Reproductive Strategies	
Read: Jurmain 136-139	113-128 & 130- 136	Read: Jurmain 143-154	Read: Jurmain 185-197	Read: Jurmain 198-203	
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	May 23 <sup>rd</sup>	May 24 <sup>th</sup>	May 25 <sup>th</sup>	May 26 <sup>th</sup>	
Prosimians	Monkeys	Apes		Geology and Fossils	
Read: Jurmain 155-160	Read: Jurmain 160-166	Read: Jurmain 166-181	Midterm Exam	Read: Jurmain 128-133, 267- 276	
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	May 30 <sup>th</sup>	May 31 <sup>st</sup>	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
	Primate Origins	Basics of Primate Evolution	Bipedalism and Brains	OnlineQuiz3 The First 'Hominins'	
NO CLASS	Read: Jurmain 225-237	Read: Jurmain 237-260	Read: Jurmain 287-293	Read: Jurmain 293-297	
June 5 <sup>th</sup>	June 6 <sup>th</sup>	June 7 <sup>th</sup>	June 8 <sup>th</sup>	June 9 <sup>th</sup>	
The Australopiths I	The Australopiths II	Early <i>Homo</i> and tools	Homo erectus	OnlineQuiz4 Pre-modern Humans	
Read: Jurmain 297-304	Read: Jurmain 304-309	Read: Jurmain 310-315	Read: Jurmain Ch. 11	Read: Jurmain 347-358	

June 12 <sup>th</sup>	June 13 <sup>th</sup>	June 14 <sup>th</sup>	June 15 <sup>th</sup>	June 16 <sup>th</sup>
The Neanderthals	Human Emergence	Forensics & Bioarchaeology	Modern Human Variation	
Read: Jurmain 358-378	Read: Jurmain 383-399, 487	Read: Jurmain 458-463	Read: Jurmain 411-418, 437- 451	Final Exam