



SYLLABUS

Subject name: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology 2.

Subject code: EKAN101

Responsible lecturer:

Type: seminar

Level: BA/ MA

Credit: 3

Course description:

Objective of the course is to familiarize students with the defining nature of cultural anthropology, its trends, specific methods and cultural anthropological theories developed in relation to culture in general and its elements (such as economy, social organization, religion, art, and other forms of consciousness, etc.); to help students recognize the world's cultural diversity in order to develop sensitivity toward other cultures, prepare them to be able to identify and understand those, and be able to mediate the process of acceptance of social and cultural differences.

Course outline:

Cultural anthropological observation of our own culture. „Blindness at home”?; The field of research: where is it and how is it created?; Dramaturgy of observation: what is that I observe, and what is that I see?; Boundaries of observability; „Structure” of culture under observation; Types of cultural diversity; Attributes of historical and symbolic differences; The „strangers”; How modern society organizes and operates?; The world of Life and the everyday life; Symbolic sphere of operation of culture; Examples of study of our own culture

Assessment:

Participation in seminar is governed by the Academic Regulation for Students (Hungarian abbreviation: HKR). Students get a grade based on the home assignment they prepare at the end or during the semester according to the relevant syllabus. Students must adhere to the rules of

referencing when preparing their home assignments. The instructor clarifies the requirements at the beginning of each semester and uploads it for the given semester onto Coospace.

Required readings:

§ Beals, Ralph L. – Hoijer, Harry 1965. An Introduction to Anthropology. New York,

The Macmillan Company § Hammond, Peter B. (ed.) 1964.

Cultural and Social Anthropology. Selected Readings. New York,

The Macmillan Company § Leach, Edmund 1982.

Social Anthropology. Glasgow, Fontana Paperbacks