

## Understanding Global Cultures Week 1



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# 1. Getting Started

This week we're going to have a look at different ways of seeing the world, as well as how we see and don't see the world.

And we'll have a more comprehensive Orientation to the course, and we'll see some of the Major Features of American Anthropology.

If you haven't read my "[Welcome Memo of 20 May 2020](#)", and the "[What's Happening Week 1--Next Week?](#)" memo please do that as they contain useful and important information about the course. Some of that information, but not all of it, is repeated here.

As I mentioned earlier, for **the first part** of the course much of the material for the week will be presented in the form of **text materials, video materials, and on-line slide materials**. Please note that many of the slide sets go hand-in-hand with the materials in the text. If your learning style is visual, focus first/more on the slides and videos.

**In the second section** of the semester, once you have mastered the basic information relating to Global Cultures, we will continue to look (generally comparatively, *cf.*, Main Characteristics of Anthropology in Week 1) at a series of "**Real Places . . . Real Places**" video materials from around the world. **The final section will focus on your research projects.**

## The Course in a Nutshell

In a nutshell, [ANTH 1080 Understanding Global Cultures](#) consists of three main segments:

### I Orientation and Background =====

Introduction  
Basic Concepts  
History  
Theory  
Methods and Techniques

### II Explorations


Comparative / Cross-Cultural  
Holistic  
Ethnographic Case Studies from the Real World: Real People . . . Real Places from Around the Globe

### III Student Presentations on Term Research Project

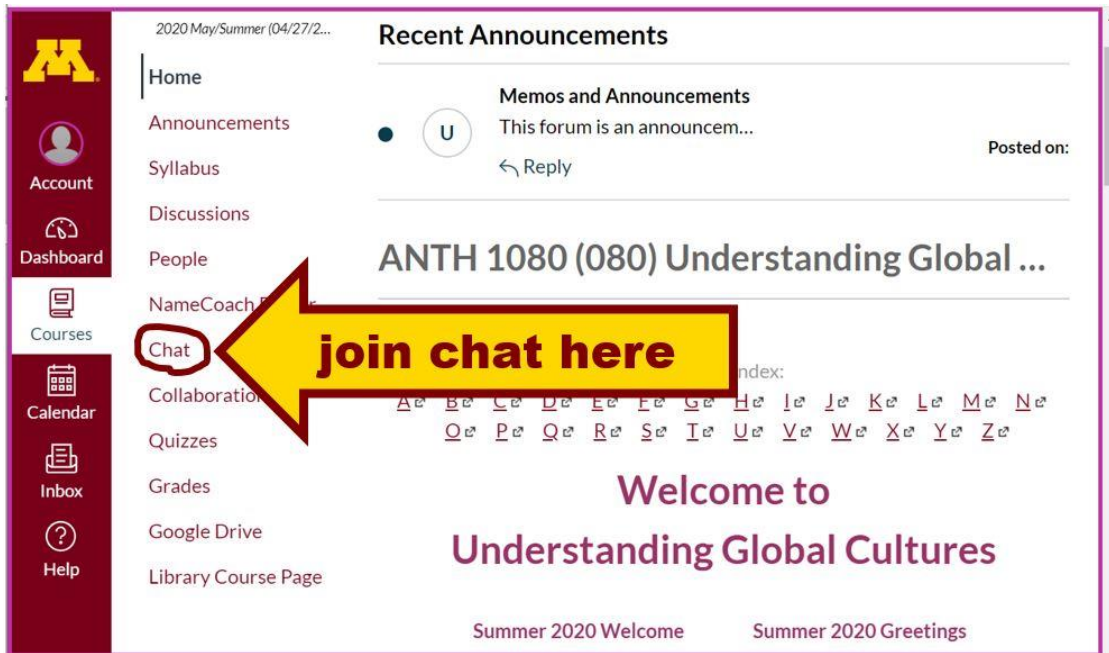
## 2. Live Chat: Open Forum / Office Hours

Tuesday, 9 June 2020, 7:00-8:00 p.m. (CDT)

[Contact Information](#)

Usually on Tuesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m. we'll have an optional “Live Chat” / Office Hour to discuss your questions and whatever you want talk about. Live Chat is optional. If you cannot make them live, transcripts of the discussions will be available in your  canvas folder.

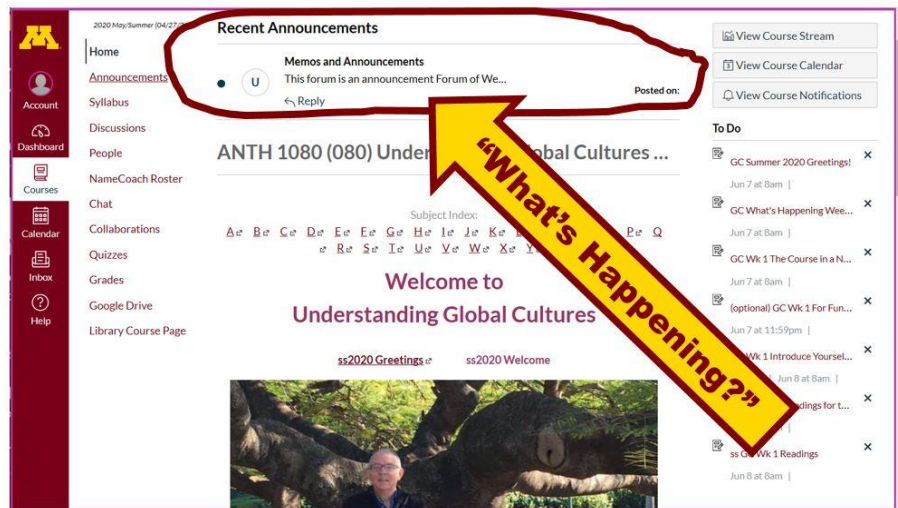
Stop by on Tuesday and see what you think.



### “What’s Happening this Week Memos?”

Every week—usually on Sunday—you will also receive memo like this which outlines what’s happening for the week.

Each week you will get the memo in your UM e-mail account and it will be available in your  canvas folder in three places . . .



**These weekly memos** contain lots of valuable and timely information, so pay careful attention to them . . .

- The Weeks' **Assignments and Activities Schedule**
- **Due Dates** [🔗](#) for the Week
- **Reminders** for the Week
- Suggestions and Hints for **Exams** [🔗](#)
- **Interesting tidbits** of the week, including **For-Fun Trivia** . . .
- **Optional links** that might be generally interesting and/or useful, for example, with the **Extra Credit Opportunities** [🔗](#)
- Information on **In-Class Films and Videos** [🔗](#)  
(of which there will be many, starting next week)
- **Breaking News Items** . . .

## 3. Video Explorations

Real People . . . Real Places . . .

[Videos for the Semester](#)

This week we'll have a look at . . .

### ***Many Ways to See the World: A Thirty-minute Tour of World Map Images***

(30 min., 2005, CC, UM Duluth Library Multimedia - DVD GA105.3 .M35 2006)

**[On-line access](#)**

[course viewing guide](#)

**"Presents a fascinating exploration into the minds of twelve mapmakers. Discover how their unique backgrounds, philosophies, values, and politics led each to select a particular mathematical formula to create their maps. Learn about the impact those world images have had on us, consciously and unconsciously."**

**"Special features: Includes over 70 PowerPoint images with links to map resources; preview: Arno Peters: Radical map, remarkable man; radio interviews; book excerpts; and more."**

Based on the book: *Seeing through Maps* / Denis Wood, Ward Kaiser, and Bob Abramms.

Publisher Amherst, MA : ODT, Inc.

## Selective Attention Tests

**Anthropological analytical skills** include careful observation of behavior. We will be visiting many parts of the globe as we go along in the course—so you will have lots of opportunities to practice your observational skills.

So this week take the two short minute-and-a-half **tests of your observational skills** before you continue your intensive look at the wide variety of Global Cultures video materials that we will be viewing and re-viewing virtually every week of the semester. You should take those short tests this week.

**Take the Two (Very Short)  
Selective Attention Tests in Preparation for Watching the many  
Videos throughout the semester.**

**(Be sure to take both tests. Read the instructions carefully.)**

First, take the . . .  
**Selective Attention Test**

(It's short: 1:21 min.) [🔗](#)

▶ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJG698U2Mvo> [🔗](#)

[click  here]

**Read and follow the directions carefully.**

(Be sure to also count the *bounce* passes.)



When you are finished with the Selective Attention Test, watch . . .

## The Monkey Business Illusion

(It too is short: 1:42 min.)

[▶ <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGQmdoK\\_ZfY>](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGQmdoK_ZfY)

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Again, read and follow the directions carefully.

(And as with The Selective Attention Test, be sure to also count the *bounce* passes.)



## 4. Slides

Class Slides for the Semester [▶](#)

**(A) Introduction to Anthropology / Orientation to the Course (.pptx) [▶](#)**

on-line at <https://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/PowerPoint/gc-orientation.pptx>



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## (B) Main Characteristics of Anthropology (pptx.) [↗](#)

on-line at [https://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gchandout\\_first-day.html#title](https://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gchandout_first-day.html#title).

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# 5. Readings

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## Ch. 1 Understanding Cultural Metaphors

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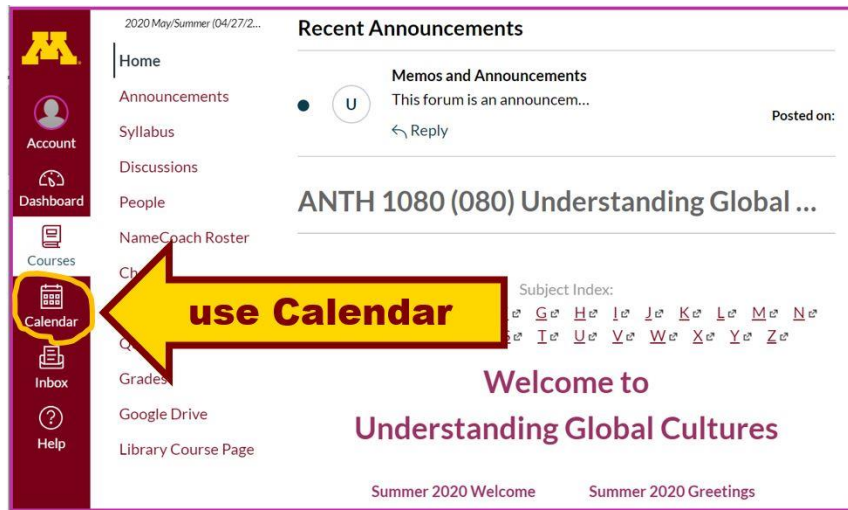
# 6. Assignments and Events

[Main Due Dates](#) [↗](#)

. . . **this week** which are listed on your **“Calendar”**.

[Readings for the Semester](#)  
[Class Slides for the Semester](#)

They are also listed on the **“Syllabus”** section of your  **canvas** folder, if you prefer to have the assignments and reminders in a notebook format (see below).



**REM: Links on screenshots are not "hot" (active)**

**AND REM: Clicking on "Agenda" will give you a notebook listings view**

Today   ← →   June 2020   Agenda   +

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
8:01a GC Summer 2020 Greetings!	8:01a GC Wk 1 First Day Handout (the "Syllabus")	8:01a GC Wk 1 Orientation (.pptx)	8:01a GC Wk 1 Video: Many Ways to See the World (30 min.)	8:01a GC Wk 1 Main Characteristics of Anthropology (Intro .pptx)	8:01a GC Wk 1 Pre Assessing Yourself	(optional) GC UM Meet / Zoom ... Information for Holding Meetings, Office Hours, Study Groups, and Webinars Online
8:03a GC What's Happening Week 1?	8:02a GC Wk 1 Introduce Yourself to the Class	8:02a GC Wk 1 Meet Your Professor (.pptx)		8:02a GC Wk 1 Selective Attention Tests		
8:04a GC Wk 1 The Course in a Nutshell	8:03a ss GC Wk 1 Readings	<b>7p (optional) GC Wk 1 Live Chat: Open Forum / Office Hour</b>				
(optional) GC Wk 1 For Fun Trivia: The citizens of what country complain that their country keeps getting left off of maps?	8:04a ss GC List of Readings for the Entire Sesion (useful for reviewing for the exams)					
	(optional) GC Wk 1 Canvas Student Guide					
	(optional) GC Wk 1 Explore Canvas ...					

**NOTE: Many things are (optional)**

**NB [Nota Bene]**  
**Live Chat Tuesday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

**The links to the on-line movies are on your Canvas calendar**

**Click "Agenda" for notebook-style listings**

If you prefer, you can also access of the class materials in the standard Canvas 6. It will look something like this . . .

**Live Chat**  
**Tuesday 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

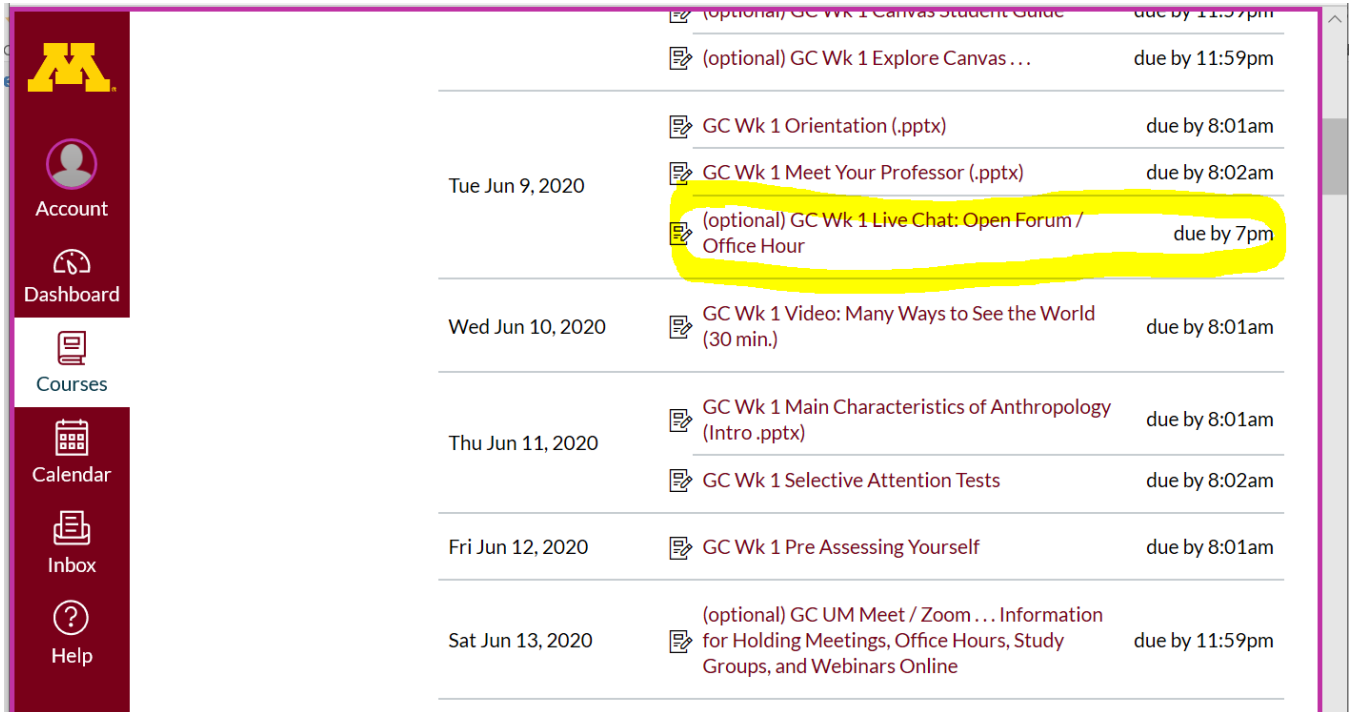
Tue Jun 9, 2020

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**NOTE: Many things are optional**

Date	Item	Due Date
	(optional) GC Wk 1 Canvas Student Guide	due by 11:57pm
	(optional) GC Wk 1 Explore Canvas ...	due by 11:59pm
	GC Wk 1 Orientation (.pptx)	due by 8:01am
	GC Wk 1 Meet Your Professor (.pptx)	due by 8:02am
	(optional) GC Wk 1 Live Chat: Open Forum / Office Hour	due by 7pm
Wed Jun 10, 2020		
Thu Jun 11, 2020	GC Wk 1 Main Characteristics of Anthropology (Intro .pptx)	due by 8:01am
	GC Wk 1 Selective Attention Tests	due by 8:02am
Fri Jun 12, 2020	GC Wk 1 Pre Assessing Yourself	due by 8:01am
Sat Jun 13, 2020	(optional) GC UM Meet / Zoom ... Information for Holding Meetings, Office Hours, Study Groups, and Webinars Online	due by 11:59pm

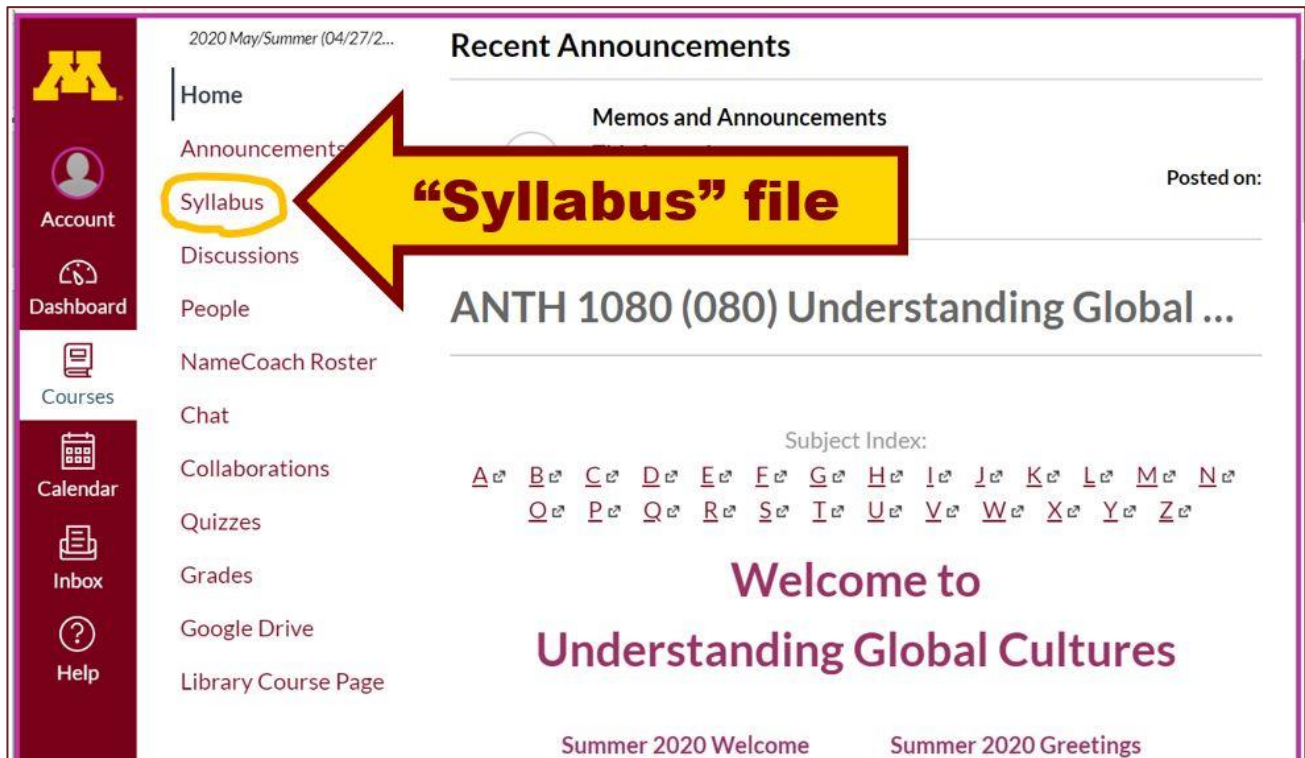
Canvas “Syllabus” file without the notations . . .



The image shows a Canvas LMS interface. On the left is a dark red sidebar with navigation icons and labels: Account, Dashboard, Courses, Calendar, Inbox, and Help. The main content area displays a list of announcements. The announcement for Tuesday, June 9, 2020, titled "(optional) GC Wk 1 Live Chat: Open Forum / Office Hour" is highlighted with a yellow box. Other announcements include "GC Wk 1 Orientation (.pptx)", "GC Wk 1 Meet Your Professor (.pptx)", "GC Wk 1 Video: Many Ways to See the World (30 min.)", "GC Wk 1 Main Characteristics of Anthropology (Intro .pptx)", "GC Wk 1 Selective Attention Tests", "GC Wk 1 Pre Assessing Yourself", and "(optional) GC UM Meet / Zoom ... Information for Holding Meetings, Office Hours, Study Groups, and Webinars Online".

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Go to the Canvas **“Syllabus”** file from your *course* navigation . . .



The image shows a Canvas course page. The left sidebar is the same as in the previous image. The main content area is titled "Recent Announcements" and "Memos and Announcements". A yellow arrow points from the "Syllabus" link in the sidebar to the main content area. The announcement is titled "ANTH 1080 (080) Understanding Global ..." and includes a "Subject Index" with links for letters A through Z. Below the index is a "Welcome to Understanding Global Cultures" message and "Summer 2020 Welcome" and "Summer 2020 Greetings" text.

2020 May/Summer (04/27/2020)

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## Welcome to Understanding Global Cultures

Summer 2020 Welcome      Summer 2020 Greetings

HINT: You can synchronize your  canvas calendar with your UMD Google calendar, if you want.

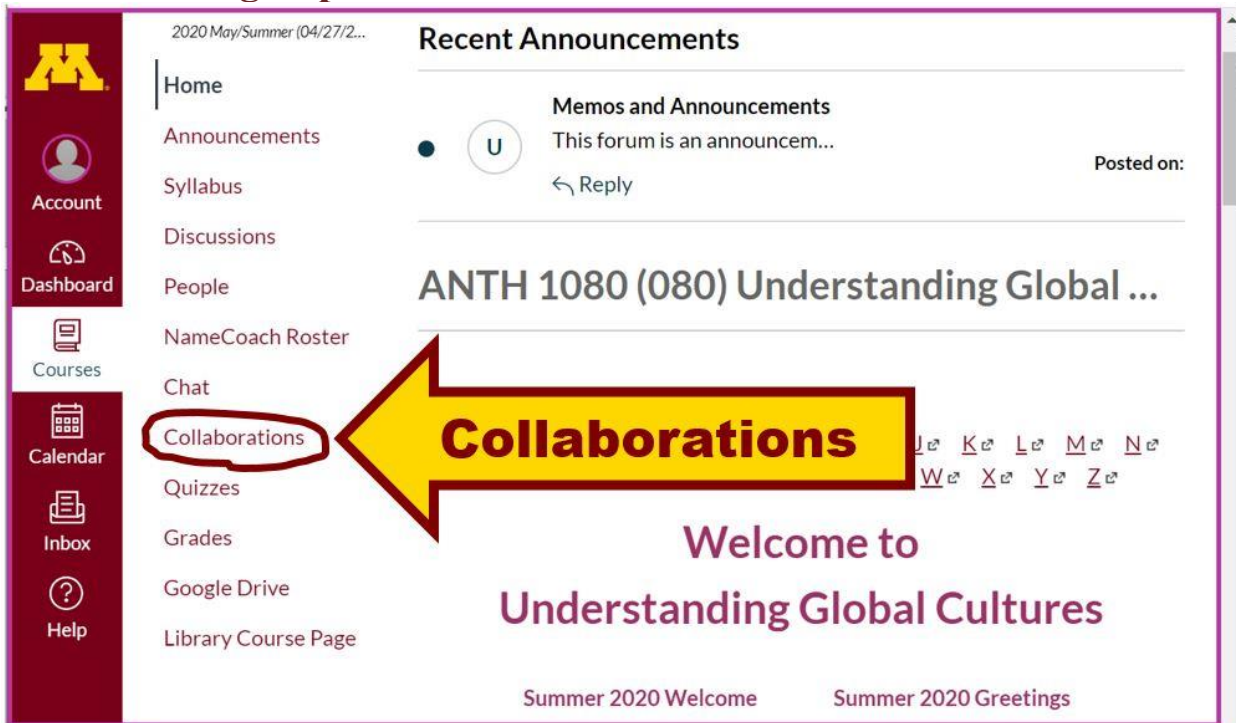
## In-the-News . . .

### [In-the-News Report Information](#)

Starting Next Week (Week 2) . . .

Scotland – Halle K.  
Spain – Sam T.  
North/South Korea – Matt S.

Sign up for 2 countries in “Collaborations” . . .



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**ANTH 1080 (080) Understanding Global ...**

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**Welcome to  
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Summer 2020 Welcome Summer 2020 Greetings

Canvas LMS interface for ANTH 1080 (080) Collaborations. The page shows a sidebar with navigation options like Account, Dashboard, Courses, Groups, Chat, Collaborations, Quizzes, and Grades. The main content area is titled 'Current Collaborations' and features a button '+ Start a new collaboration'. A collaboration card is visible with the title 'Global Cultures News-of-the Week Signup Sheet ss2020' and a description: 'Sign up for two countries to report on the News-of-the-Week'. A yellow arrow with the text 'select collaboration' points to this card. Below the card, there is a paragraph: 'Free online web tools like Google Docs are an excellent place for students to work on group projects or papers, take shared notes, etc. Teacher or students can set up group collaborations.'

**Then select your 2 countries from this Signup Sheet . . .**

Google Docs interface for the document 'Global Cultures News-of-the Week Signup Sheet'. The document content includes a world map and the following text:

**Global Cultures News-of-the-Week Summaries**

- Sign up for 2 countries to report on the News-of-the-Week Summaries
- Reports can be very short (basically like a “news brief” like you might see or hear on TV or other legitimate news sources)

## For Fun Trivia . . .

This week our trivia questions for fun relates to maps . . .

**The citizens of what country complain that their country keeps getting left off of maps?**



(Answer) [🔗](#)

Check it out.

**We'll be exploring many aspects of global cultures—cultural, spiritual, social, political, psychological, historical, prehistorical, recreational, economic, technological, ethical, and the like—so stay tuned.**

**So once again, welcome to ANTH 1080 Understanding Global Cultures. This *will be* a great course, and a great experience.**

**You will see. . . .**

**I'm looking forward to “meeting” you on-line.**


If you have any questions or comments right now, please do not hesitate to post them on the  canvas “Discussions”, or e-mail [troufs@d.umn.edu](mailto:troufs@d.umn.edu) [🔗](#), or **Google Meet** [🔗](#) (which has better closed

**captions than ZOOM** [🔗](#))—[UM Information Technology](#).

Best Wishes,

Tim Roufs

<<http://www.d.umn.edu/~troufs/>>

P.S. If you are new to the world of "technology" don't worry too much about that. Things may not "work" for you at first, but hang in there and we'll help you along. If you have not used  **canvas** course management system before, you might find it helpful to view the **Canvas Student Guide** [🔗](#).