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Understanding Global Cultures Week 8



Canadian Thanksgiving

14 October 2019

[Second Monday in October]



FAO World Food Day

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Wednesday, 16 October 2019

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(India and Turkey)

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1. Brief Review of Midterm Exam


Go back and look over your Midterm Exam, including your answers.

Review . . .



[Writing Essays for Exams](#)

[Test Taking Strategies](#)

On Tuesday we'll take a few minutes to review the Midterm Exam, so if you have questions, bring them along. If you took the exam, the results are in your  **Canvas** Gradebook.

Profs “grading” exams is a lot like an ump in Major League Baseball calling balls and strikes. The Major League rules are clear [as are the stated criteria for written projects and exams](http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gcgrades.html#strikezone) [.](http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/comp3160/criteria_for_grading.html#title)

But, in the end, they are both human judgments.

The biggest difference between a Major League Umpire calling balls and strikes and a professor calling a grade is that you get ejected from the baseball game if you argue balls and strikes (see Section 9.02 Official Baseball Rules [.](http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/official_info/official_rules/foreword.jsp)) and one *should* really question the prof if they didn't like the call, and that is especially true for midterm exams as one can often learn quite a bit that is helpful for the Final Exam by looking over and discussing a midterm exam.

Maybe a better analogy would be judging **Olympic Figure Skating, or Gymnastics, or Ski Jumping, Diving** and the like . . . [.](http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gcgrades.html#gymnastics)



If your style is to look at charts, the grading “chart” is at

<http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gcgrades.html#gradingpolicies>.

So if, for whatever reason, you didn’t like “the call,” e-mail, or stop in (Cina 215).

Please pay attention to what the numbers mean in terms of the final course letter grade:

Numerical Example:

$$\begin{aligned} 18/20 + 93/100 + 372/400 &= 483/520 \\ &= \mathbf{92.9\%} \\ &= \mathbf{A} \end{aligned}$$

(the highest grade the UM system allows)

2. Extra Credit Options

If you didn’t do quite as well as you might have liked on the Midterm Exam, or if you did better than you even hoped on the Midterm exam but want to “bank” some insurance points for your final course grade, think about doing one (or even two—one of each) of the optional extra credit papers.

There are **two Extra Credit options: (A) a case study**, and/or **(B) a review of a lecture or a related film** (*other* than one of the films we see in class). For the review option you may also *compare* two or more films. (Remember from Week 1, one of the main features of anthropology is that it is *comparative*?)

- **Details on the extra credit in general** are on-line at
<<http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gcextracredit.html#title>>
- Details of the **Case Study Extra Credit Option** are on-line at
<http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gcextracredit_cs.html#title>
- Details of the **Film/Lecture Review Extra Credit Option** are on-line at
<http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1095/gcextracredit_review.html#title>

3. News features of the week . . .

Tuesday . . .

India > Carter

Thursday . . .

Turkey > tba
Saudia Arabia > Brooke

4. Real People . . . Real Places . . .

(India and Turkey)

Ganges: River to Heaven

(52 min., 2003, UM DULUTH Martin Library DVD BL1243.76.V382 G35 2003)



I Named Her Angel

(Turkey; Mevlevis, are also known as [Whirling Dervishes](#))
(29 min., 2008)



[on-line access](#)

Available at: [Alexander Street Press Streaming Videos \(Duluth\)](#)

5. Project Abstracts

If you have not yet heard about your “Promissory Abstract”, and **Working Bibliography**, you will be hearing about it shortly.

If you haven't already done so, ***schedule some serious time blocks to work on your Project.*** And be sure to ask if you have any questions about your “Promissory Abstract”, and **Working Bibliography**, or even about your Proposal itself.

One thing you should already have started to **think about is how you might present your findings.** Generally it is a good idea to pretty much finish at least a draft your paper before you do too much work on your presentation (your presentation is basically a preliminary report on your work-in-progress paper), but, having said that, it is still a good idea to at least start thinking about what your presentation might be like.

6. Review (cont.): Units of Analysis

(time permitting)
slides: ([.pptx](#))

as mentioned in the "Orientation"

units of analysis may include:

- one person
- the family
- the community
- a region
- a "culture area"
- a culture / "subculture"
- a nation
- the world
- an item or action itself
- a "cultural metaphor"

7. Take the Student Survey

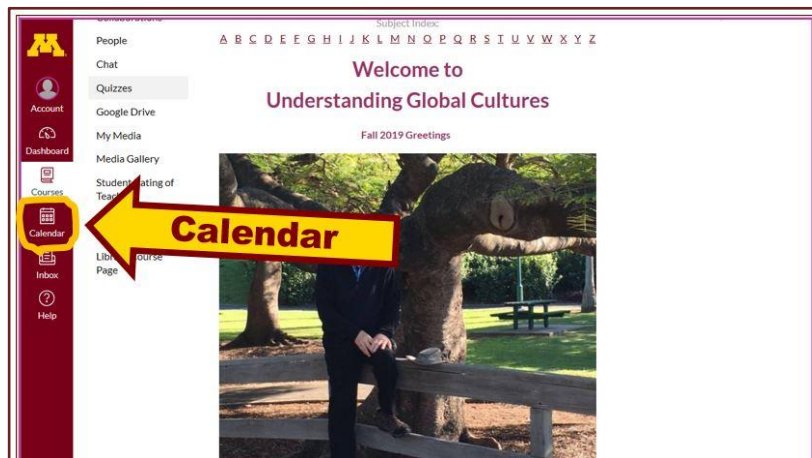
We greatly appreciate your participation in the on-line course survey. Please help us by filling it out honestly, and promptly. Your views are very important in the future development of this course.

Student Survey

<<https://canvas.umn.edu/courses/124818/quizzes/137928>>

8. Assignments

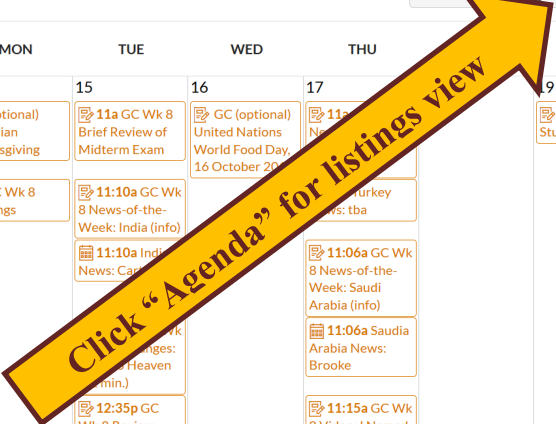
this week are listed on your **”Calendar”**




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AND REM: Clicking on “Agenda” will give you a listings view



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If you have any **questions** right now, please do not hesitate to post them on the  **canvas** Course “Chat”, or e-mail troufs@d.umn.edu, or stop by before or after class, across the hall in Cina 215.

Best Regards,

Tim Roufs

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