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## Prehistoric Cultures Enthusiasts . . .

Your scores are now in your Moodle Gradebook folder [<https://moodle.umn.edu/>](https://moodle.umn.edu/). You should have scores for all *Forum* postings **that were entered on time**, or by the end of the announced amnesty periods, or by the mutually agreed upon completion date(s). And you should have scores for all of the other materials you have submitted.

The “Adjustment Curve” for the semester is forty-five points for folks who took the final exam or who have made arrangements for an Incomplete (*I*).

The top letter grade allowed by the University of Minnesota is an A, which is 93%. When you are looking at your scores and figuring out your grades keep in mind that the University of Minnesota does not have an A+ letter grade, for reasons not well articulated by the University. Keep in mind also that the UMD Grading and Transcripts Policy was newly defined on 3 January 2011 and that as earlier mentioned this course does its best to follow those guidelines. For a direct comparison of your Prehistoric Cultures scores with that UMD Policy have a look at the materials on the course “Grading Policies” WebPage at <http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1602/pcgrades.html#gradingpolicies>. The Prehistoric Cultures “Curve” is on-line at <http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1602/pcgrades.html#curve>.

If you are interested, some additional philosophical observations on project and exam and *Forum* grades, and the like, are on-line at "[The Strike Zone](#)" and "[The Curve](#)" and "[Grading Gymnastics . . .](#)"

I expect that the Prehistoric Cultures grades will be officially submitted to the Registrar on Monday, 26 December 2011. In the meantime, have a look at and review your Moodle Gradebook folder <https://moodle.umn.edu/>; and if you have questions and/or comments please let me know.

If you made arrangements for an “Incomplete” (*I*), then that will be the grading notation submitted to the Registrar (for the official record) *not* the one that currently appears in your Moodle Gradebook folder.

Our course developer, says that your Prehistoric Cultures course materials will be kept on-line for two years, and after that they will be moved to a class archive. So you should have easy access to your materials in at least the near future. And most of the course materials are also always on-line and up-to-date at the Prehistoric Cultures public WebSite at <http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth1602/#title>.

I will keep all of the exams and exam materials until Candlemas, also known as Groundhog's Day. And if Punxsutawney Phil in Pennsylvania, sees his shadow on that day (February 2<sup>nd</sup>), I'll keep the exams another six weeks beyond February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

It was very nice having you in class. Thanks for choosing Prehistoric Cultures.

Good luck to you in the future. Keep in touch. If you're in the Cina neighborhood stop by and say hello; if nothing else, you can always get some animal crackers.

Have a great life. And enjoy your further explorations into Prehistoric Cultures.

Best Regards and Best Wishes,

Tim Roufs