Anthropology Senior Seminar Week 6

Anthropology Day 2018 Progress Check

Semester Project and Project Groups Teams Check
(Term Project Statement/Proposal Due Saturday, 10 February 2018)

Perceptions of Perception . . . and Optical Illusions

Tribal Societies, Multi-National Corporations, and Environmental Crises
Panel Discussion on Ch. 2

(time permitting)
Review Materials from Weeks 1-2
Introduction to Ethics Discussion(s)
Major Characteristics of Anthropology
Units of Analysis
Introduction to Ethics Discussion(s)

Wednesday and Thursday we celebrate!
On Monday, after a quick check on Anthropology Day events and Group Projects, we’ll have a look at *Making Sense of Sensory Information*, as an introduction to . . . well . . . making sense of sensory information. . . .

"What we see is not what the world really is and that is counterintuitive."

*Context* makes a difference.
And, yes, another reminder . . . **Think** . . .
Participant Observation

Selective Attention

Take the Selective Attention Tests in preparation for participant observation research, and our discussion of research methods. (Be sure to take both tests, even if you have taken them before.) Read and follow the directions carefully.

Selective Attention Test
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJG698U2Mvo>

The Monkey Business Illusion
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGQmdoK_ZtY>
Optical Illusions

Optical Illusions page

“Magic Eye”

"Magic Eye" page
This week we’ll also begin looking at the question of **Scale**, and **Tribal Societies** and **Multi-National Corporations**. And Environmental Crises.

For this introduction one could almost pick a Tribal Society at random.

Next Monday (19 February 2018) we’re going to look at the Huaorani (aka Waorani or Waodani), a small “tribe” of Ecuadorian Indians of the Amazon rainforest endangered by an international oil corporation.

On Wednesday we’ll have the Panel Discussion on Chapter 2 of *Anthropology and Contemporary Human Problems*, a very important one on “**Scale, Adaptation, and the Environmental Crisis**”. Be sure you have read Chapter 2 carefully, and come to class well prepared to discuss the issues.

If you haven’t yet received your feedback on your **feedback on your Informal Project Statement/Proposal**, you will shortly. If you have any questions about that, please let me know.
This week you need to submit a question for the Midterm Exam question pool; contribute your question to the Midterm Exam by the End of Week 6, Saturday, 17 February 2018.

I will annotate and augment your questions, and they will become the study questions for the Midterm Exam. The Senior Seminar Midterm Exam is scheduled for Monday, 26 February 2018. Details on the Midterm are available on-line at <http://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anth4653/ssexams_midterm.html#title>.

NOTE: To see the details of the Exam Question Rubric click on the pull-down menu in the upper-right-hand corner of the Assignment . . .

CE Midterm Exam Question Assignment Link
Assignments and Events

... this week are listed on your (1) “Calendar”, your (2) “Syllabus”, and in the (3) “Assignments” section of your canvas folder.

(1) This Week’s ”Calendar”
(2) This Week’s “Syllabus”

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(3) “Assignments”

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

Best Regards,

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