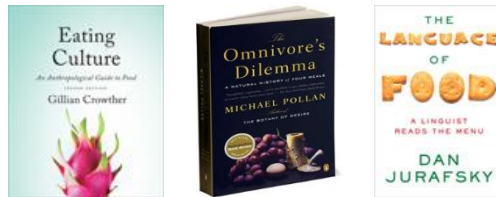



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Tim Roufs Inspecting Durians in Singapore Market, 2017

## Welcome to Anthropology 3888 Anthropology of Food

### Textbook and Canvas Information

**Happy Boxing Day!**

a very important holiday in England and the rest of the UK  
and Commonwealth

**Please read this to the end. *Reading it will save you a lot of time and trouble in the long run.***

**This will be a great course, and a great experience.  
You will see. . . .**

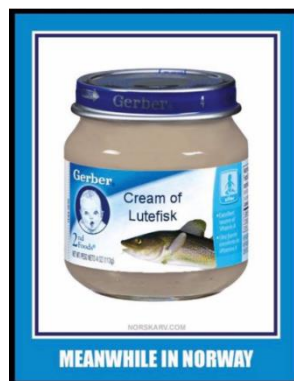
**I hope you had a great holiday feast on Christmas in spite of COVID, if you celebrated Christmas, and that you will have a great New Year's, if you celebrated the New Year at this time.**

**Holidays are not the same without their festival foods. In this course we'll see why that is so.**

**Of course, it wouldn't be Christmas *in Minnesota* without talk of *lutefisk* [literally "lye fish"].**

**Love it or loathe it, Minnesota's lutefisk tradition lives on**

(-- MPR News (11 December 2017))



**About the Anthropology of Food course . . .**

Some people like to procrastinate. Others like to arrive early to a party, and in some ways those folks are “pre-crastinators”.

Classes officially start on Wednesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of January 2022.

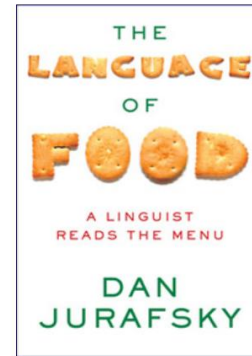
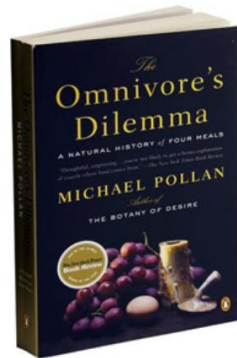
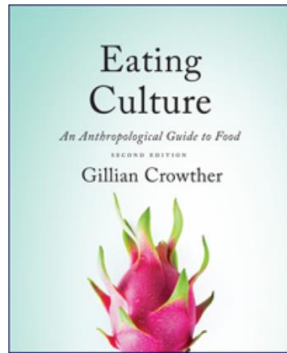
I am sending this note out early to make it more convenient for you pre-crastinators **to order the textbooks on-line** (if that is an attractive option for you), and / or to let you get started reading **some of the interesting materials that we have for the class** (if you are the kind of person who likes to do that sort of thing).

Or you might want to start watching one or other of the international-**award-winning films and videos** that we have lined up for the class.

If neither of these options applies to you, and you just feel like a little more Yuletide procrastination is in order, just relax and enjoy the great winter wonderland weather—wherever you happen to be, and enjoy the rest of your break.

Either way, with all of the goings-on about COVID-19, you might want to get a head start in at least **ordering your textbook**—a textbook that’s actually fun to read (well, at least it is after you get past the first chapter). . . .

## **Textbooks**



## Detailed Information on the Textbooks is Here . . .

<https://www.d.umn.edu/cla/faculty/troufs/anthfood/aftexts.html#title>

[click ↑ here]

(Consider renting the Crowther, or buy used copies; exams are open-book, so you should have a copy of each one. And on-line the Pollan and Jurafsky books are cheap. We'll be using these texts again in the Fall (in ANTH 3888 Anthropology of Food), so there should be a local market for used copies.)

## Other Things that You Might be Curious about . . .

click on the items for more information . . .

links may or may not work on your cell phone

### Food in the News

The  canvas Course Management System


Thanks / Questions



## Food in the News

Interest in food and culture has never been greater. You can see that in the news and editorial pages of the weekly papers and the other news media. Whether or not you agree with the various commentators, and there are many these days, representing all sides of the food industry and all food interest groups, food is IN the news. **And some weeks food IS the news.** And that's true year 'round. **And who knows what tomorrow may bring. . . .**

**Lots of things are happening on the various cultural food fronts . . . virtually every day featuring food news for everyone. Some of the best sources for up-to-date news on food include What FoodAnthro is Reading Now[z](#). . . and Marion [no-relation-to-the-company] Nestle's Food Politics Blog[z](#). The New York Times Food Section[z](#), BBC Food[z](#), the StarTribune[z](#), and MPRNews' The Splendid Table[z](#) regularly carry interesting and important articles on food around the world.**

## The canvas Course Management System

I am looking forward to “meeting you” in class as we begin our anthropological journey into the world of food. In the meantime, at your leisure, you might want to peruse the information in **your  canvas folder** at <http://canvas.umn.edu/>.

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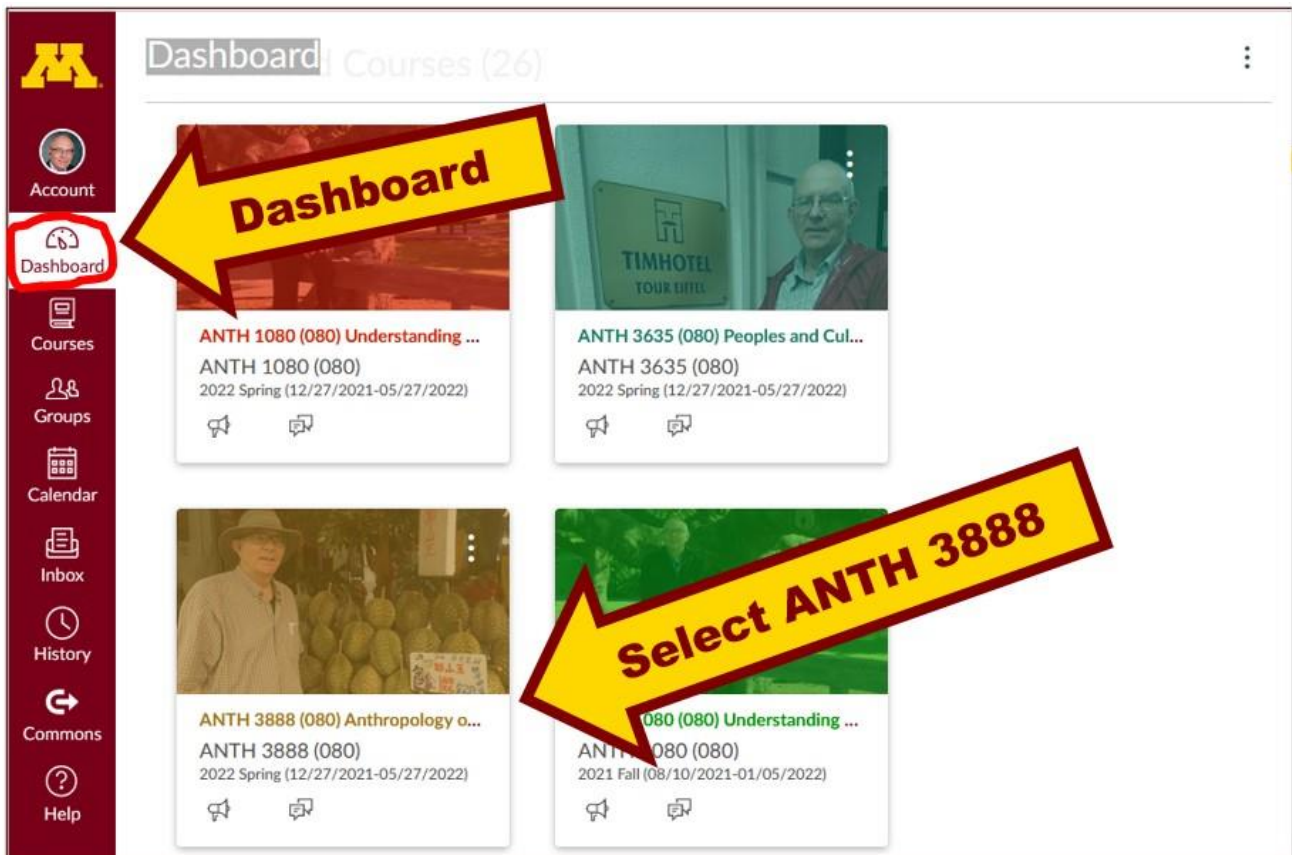
The Canvas Student Guide / Overview / Tour can be very helpful.

[Student Guide](#) -- written guides with step-by-step instructions for Canvas tools

[Canvas Student Overview](#) (6:47 min)

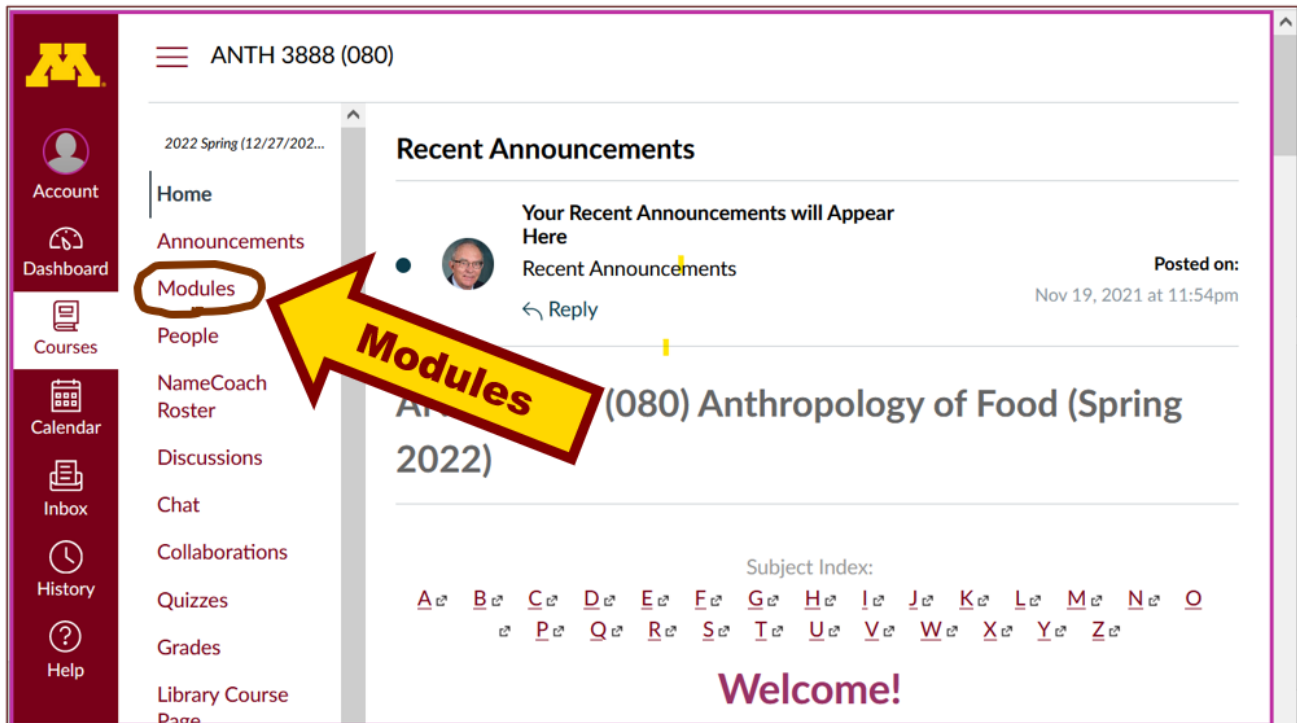
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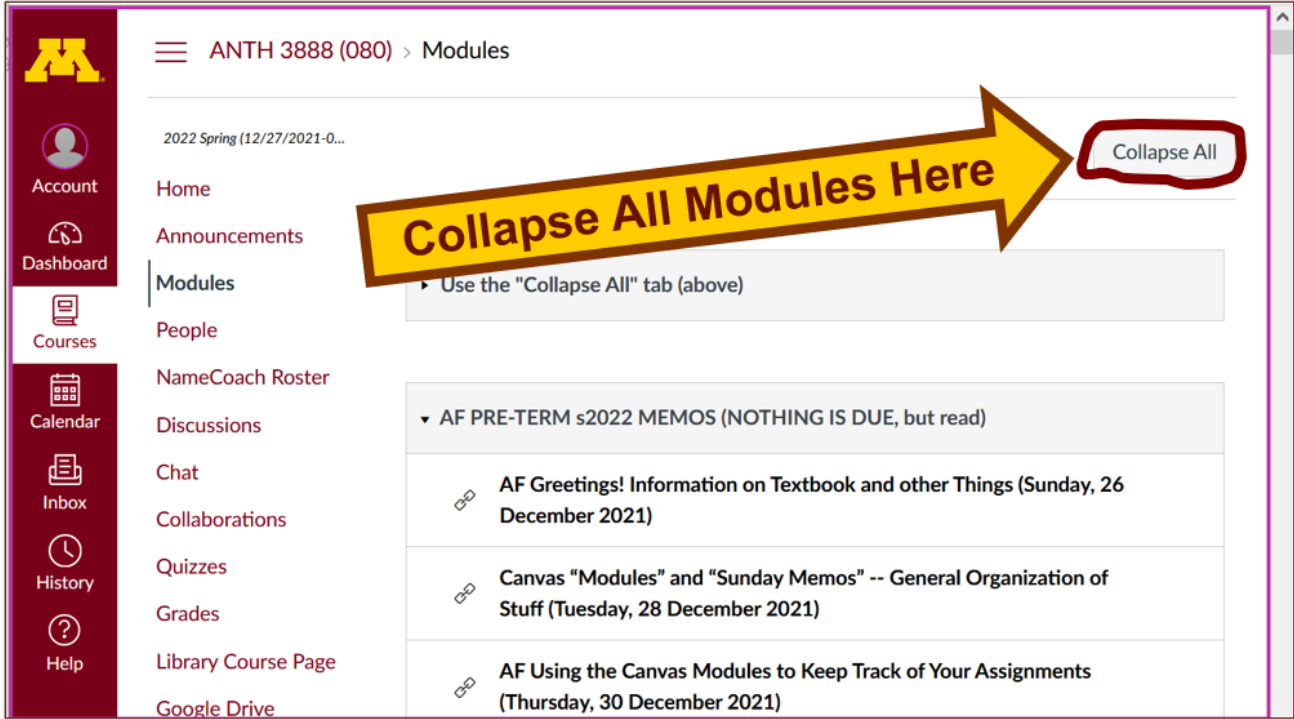
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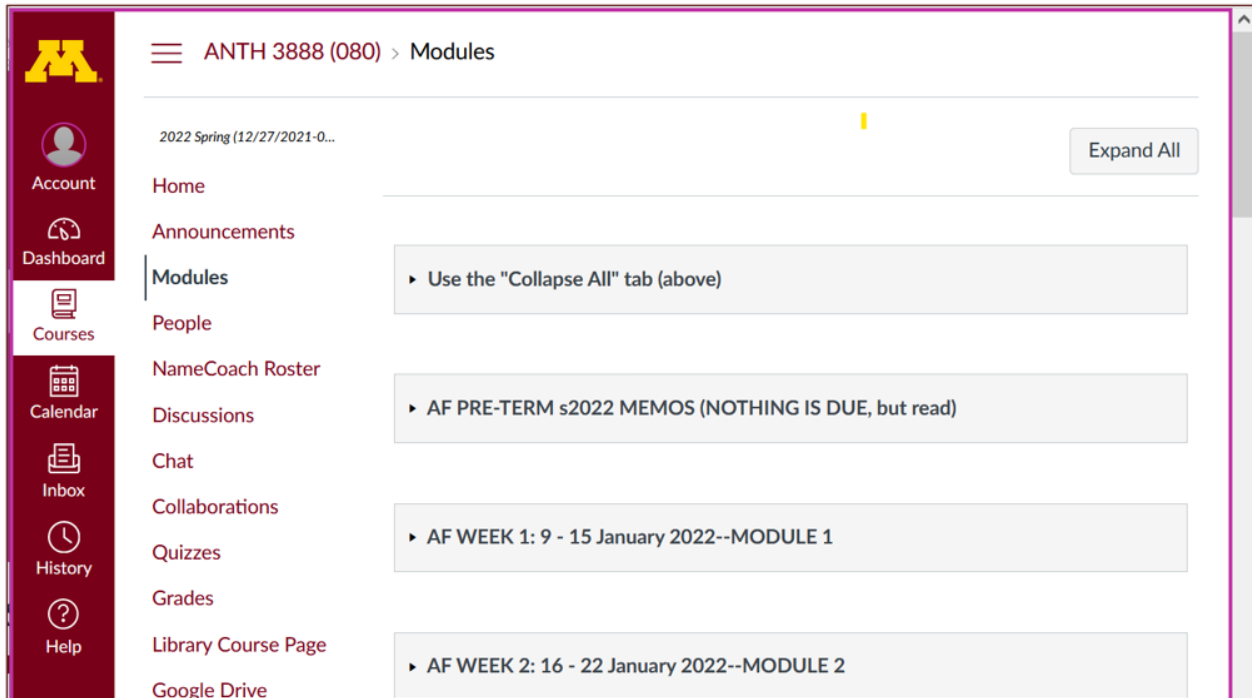
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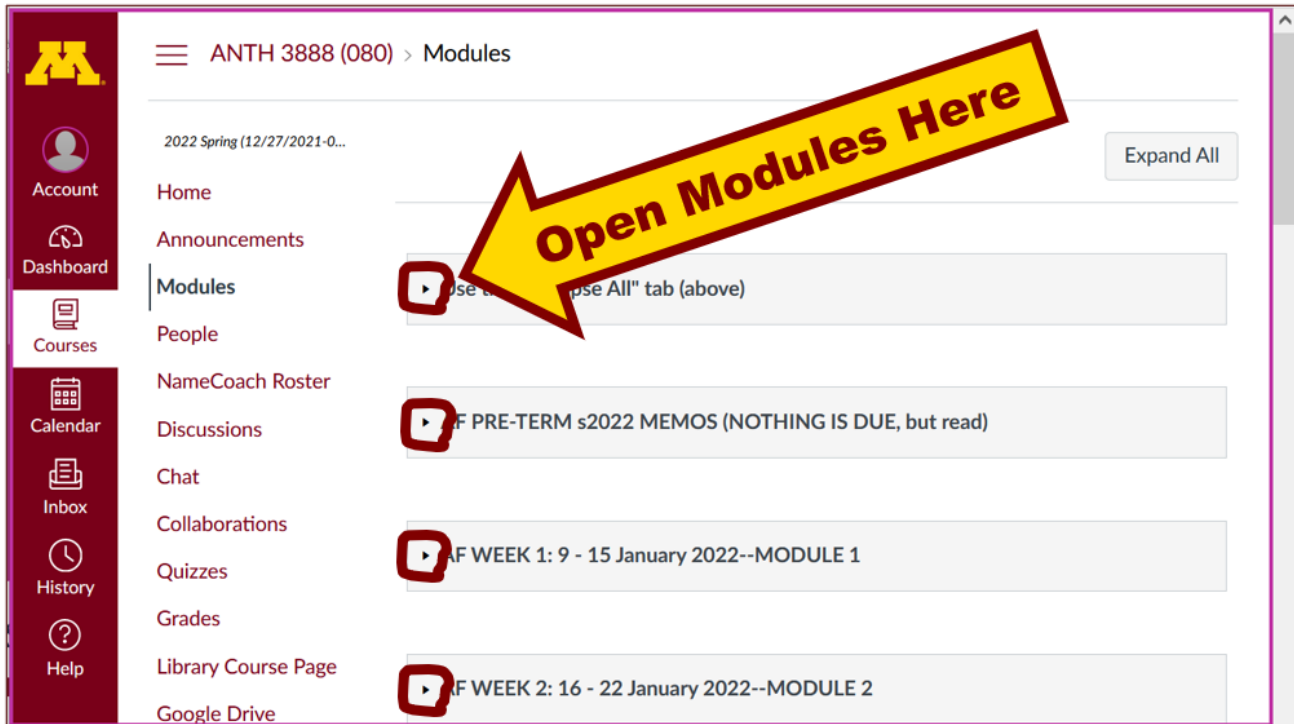
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**Suggestion: Then open each Module one-by-one as you need it/them . . .**

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**One more Suggestion: If you prefer to look at an item *outside of Canvas*, click on the item name *in the grey bar* on the top of any of the frames . . .**

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Thanks for signing on for the Anthropology of Food.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to e-mail [troufs@d.umn.edu](mailto:troufs@d.umn.edu).


Best Warm Wishes for the rest of the Christmas and Yuletide break,

Tim Roufs  
Boxing Day  
26 December 2021

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

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