

TE WHARE WĀNANGA O TE ŪPOKO O TE IKA A MĀUI



VICTORIA
UNIVERSITY OF WELLINGTON

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL AND CULTURAL STUDIES

Te Kura Mahinga Tangata

CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Ideas & Approaches

ANTH 407

Course Outline

CRN 284 : 30 POINTS : TRIM 1&2, 2012

Teaching dates: 5th March – 19th October 2012

Trimester Dates: 5th March – 17 November 2012

Mid-trimester Break Trimester 1: 6-22 April 2012

Mid-trimester Break Trimester 2: 27th August – 9th September 2012

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Additional information will be given in class or will be emailed to you.

Course Prescription and Aims,

Anthropologists hold a variety of epistemological and ontological perspectives that they articulate in their writing. This year we will concentrate on the revival of interest in kinship given important recent work on the topic by Chapais, Godelier and Sahlins.

Learning Objectives

Students passing this course should be able to:

- Understand the anthropological study of kinship.
- Evaluate recent thinking about kinship in anthropology.
- Consider how various positions about kinship relate to wider concerns in social and cultural anthropology

Readings

These will be assigned on a weekly basis

Assessment

This course is internally assessed. Assessment will be based on two essays each about the work of one of the anthropologists you are reading about. The assignments will be discussed and designed with the students taking this class.

Essay 1

Due date: no later than 4pm, Friday 20th July, 2012
Word Count: 4000

Weighting: 40%

Essay 2:

Due date: no later than 4pm, Friday 12th October, 2012
Word Count: 6000

Weighting: 60%

Mandatory course requirements

To pass this course, students must hand in both essays and attend 85% of classes.

Workload

The average workload per week is 15 hours.

Withdrawal dates

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www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/slss/infofor/maoristudents.aspx or
www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/tpa/index

Information for Pasifika students:

www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/slss/infofor/pasifikastudents.aspx or
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