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Department Anthropology

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Prefix ANT (L = Lab Course; C = Combined Lecture/Lab; add if appropriate) Number 2511L Lab		Type of Course	Course Title Honors Introduction to Biological Anthropology Lab			
Credits (Review Provost Memorandum 1 Effective Date (TERM & YEAR) Spring 2021	Regular Pass/Fail Sat/UnSat	Course Description (Syllabus must be attached; Syllabus Checklist recommended; see Guidelines) Hands-on projects to accompany lessons from ANT 2511, including methods for measuring hominin crania and other bones and DNA analysis.				
Prerequisites, with minimum grade*		Corequisites ANT 2511	College	Registration Controls (Major, College, Level) Honors		
*Default minimum passing grade is D Prereqs., Coreqs. & Reg. Controls are enforced for all sections of course						
WAC/Gordon Rule Course Yes No		Intellectual Foundations Program (General Education) Requirement (Select One Option)				
WAC/Gordon Rule criteria must be indicated in syllabus and approval attached to proposal. See WAC Guidelines.		None General Education criteria must be indicated in the syllabus and approval attached to the proposal. See GE Guidelines.				
Minimum qualifications to teach course MA in Physical Anthropology						
Faculty Contact/I Rachel Corr/rcorr@	•	List/Attach comments from departments affected by new course				
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 $Email\ this\ form\ and\ syllabus\ to\ \underline{mjenning@fau.edu}\ seven\ business\ days\ before\ the\ UUPC\ meeting.$

ANT 2511L

Honors Introduction to Biological Anthropology Lab 1 credits Spring 2021 W 2:00-3:50 HC 116

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Pre-Requisites: None

Co-Requisite: ANT 2511 Honors Introduction to Biological Anthropology.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Hands-on projects to accompany lessons from ANT 2511, including methods for measuring hominin crania and other bones and DNA analysis.

<u>COURSE OBJECTIVES</u> and <u>LEARNING OUTCOMES</u>: By the end of this course, students will:

- demonstrate knowledge of the most important themes and topics in biological anthropology through hands-on learning projects
- demonstrate knowledge of the different, research methods in biological anthropology
- be able to measure crania of various homining

<u>NOTE ON HONORS DISTINCTION</u>: This Honors course differs from a non-Honors course in the work and intellectual demands it places on students. In addition to the textbook readings, students will read articles published by professional scholars in peer-reviewed journals, and are expected to think critically about the debates within the field.

Course Requirements:

You are expected to attend class and be prepared to carry out the lab assignments and submit written reports. Students with more than three unexcused absences will have their participation grade lowered (see "Attendance Policy" below).

<u>Email:</u> Students are expected to use their FAU email address. I will be communicating with you through MYFAU (Canvas).

Required Textbooks:

Lab manuals of Todd Disotell and Suzanne Walker-Pacherco.

<u>Grading</u>: Grades will be based on the lab report average and attendance and participation.

Course Evaluation Method: (Grade Breakdown):

Lab reports: 50% Participation: 50%

Grading Scale:

A = 93 - 100	B = 83 - 87	C = 73 - 77	D = 66 - 67
A = 90 - 92	B- = 80 - 82	C - = 70 - 72	D- = 60 - 65
B+ = 88 - 89	C+ = 78 - 79	D+ = 68 - 69	F = 0 - 60

Policy on Makeup Tests, Late Work, and Incompletes

Makeup tests and late work will only be accepted in cases of documented emergencies or other documented excused absences due to participation in University-approved activities, including athletic or scholastics teams, musical and theatrical performances, and debate activities. Reasonable accommodation will also be made for students participating in a religious observance.

COURSE SYLLABUS by week:

Labs will address the following topics:

- 1) January 13: Definition and subdivisions of anthropology; history of evolutionary thought; frequently used taxonomic terms.
- 2) January 20: Mammalian osteology; including osseous development, structure, and function, directional terms, and individual cranial and post-cranial bones; all necessary for the understanding of fossil identification and anthropological significance.
- 3) January 27: Genetics I: cell anatomy, cell division, historical perspective, essential molecules from DNA to protein, the genetic code, DNA isolation, sequencing and identification, relevance to paleoanthropology.
- **4**) February 3: Genetics II: Mendelian genetics, mutations, human genetic disease, statistical methods used in physical anthropology.
- 5) February 10: Forces of evolution: mutations, natural selection, gene flow, genetic drift, taxonomy and speciation concepts.
- **6**) February 17: The human brain: macro- and micro-structure, development, genetic underpinnings regarding intelligence, language, EQ, proxies, scaling, and geometric morphometrics.

- 7) February 24: The study of fossils: geologic time scale and changes, dating techniques, climatic changes and their implications.
- **8**) March 3: Mammalian, primate, and hominin characteristics, taxonomy, cladistics, life history traits.
- 9) March 10: What makes a hominin?: the transition from apes to hominins; bipedalism, brain expansion, behaviors, tool making.
- **10**) March 17: Pre-hominins and early hominins: characteristics, locales, behaviors; *Sahelanthropus, Orrorin, Ardipithecus, Australopithecus*.
- 11) March 24: More on the australopithecines (gracile and robust): a major side branch.
- **12**) March 31: Early *Homo*: *habilis*, *rudolfensis*, *erectus*; characteristics, locations, migrations, behaviors.
- **13**) April 7: Archaic *Homo sapiens*: a mishmash of hominin clades transitional from *Homo erectus* to modern humans; characteristics, locales.
- **14**) April 14: Neandert(h)als, Denisovans, *Homo floresensis*: characteristics, locales, behaviors, genetic interrelationships (ancient DNA).
- **15**) April 21: Modern human origins: characteristics, theories of emergence, distribution, behaviors, genetic interrelationships.

<u>Covid Statement</u>: All students in face-to-face classes are required to wear masks during class, and students must sanitize their own workstations upon entering the classroom. Taking these measures supports the safety and protection of the FAU community. Students who do not adhere to these rules will be asked to leave the classroom and/or be removed from the course. Students experiencing flu-like symptoms (fever, cough, shortness of breath), or students who have come in contact with an infected person should immediately contact FAU Student Health Services (561-297-3512).

Participation and Classroom Etiquette Policy

In order to enhance and maintain a productive atmosphere for education, personal communication devices, such as cellular telephones, are to be disabled in class sessions.

Policy on Recording Class Lectures and Discussions:

The Honors College of FAU prohibits the audio and/or video recording of class lectures and discussions without the express permission of the instructor. Students who record class lectures or discussions without express permission may be subject to disciplinary action under the FAU

Student Code of Conduct, Regulation 4.007; the FAU Code of Academic Integrity, Regulation 4.001; or the Honors College Honor Code.

Unless otherwise expressly permitted by the instructor, permission to record class lectures or discussions applied exclusively to the individual student who receives such permission from the instructor whose class is to be recorded. In no case shall recording occur without notice to all students in the class that the lecture and discussions may be recorded. The recording may not be replicated, accessed, utilized by, or made available to any other student or individual without the permission of the instructor.

Students who request recording of class lectures or discussions under the Americans with Disabilities Act must contact the Student Accessibility Services (SAS) to obtain such permission or accommodation, and must otherwise comply with the requirements of SAS. Information for the SAS is available at http://www.fau.edu/sas/.

This policy remains subject to existing policies, procedures, and regulations of FAU, all of which shall continue to apply. This policy is not intended to address recordings or videos taken by faculty or FAU officials.

Code of Academic Integrity Policy Statement

Students at Florida Atlantic University are expected to maintain the highest ethical standards. Academic dishonesty is considered a serious breach of these ethical standards, because it interferes with the university mission to provide a high-quality education in which no student enjoys an unfair advantage over any other. Academic dishonesty is also destructive of the university community, which is grounded in a system of mutual trust and places high value on personal integrity and individual responsibility. Harsh penalties are associated with academic dishonesty. For more information, see University Regulation 4.001 and the WHC Academic Honor Code at http://www.fau.edu/honors/academics/honor-code.php.

Attendance Policy: Students are expected to attend all of their scheduled University classes and to satisfy all academic objectives as outlined by the instructor. The effect of absences upon grades is determined by the instructor, and the University reserves the right to deal at any time with individual cases of non-attendance. Students are responsible for arranging to make up work missed because of legitimate class absence, such as illness, family emergencies, military obligation, court-imposed legal obligations or participation in University-approved activities. Examples of University-approved reasons for absences include participating on an athletic or scholastic team, musical and theatrical performances and debate activities. It is the student's responsibility to give the instructor notice prior to any anticipated absences and within a reasonable amount of time after an unanticipated absence, ordinarily by the next scheduled class meeting. Instructors must allow each student who is absent for a University-approved reason the opportunity to make up work missed without any reduction in the student's final course grade as a direct result of such absence.

<u>Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS):</u> Center Life as a university student can be challenging physically, mentally and emotionally. Students who find stress negatively affecting their ability to achieve academic or personal goals may wish to consider utilizing FAU's

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Center. CAPS provides FAU students a range of services – individual counseling, support meetings, and psychiatric services, to name a few – offered to help improve and maintain emotional well-being. For more information, go to http://www.fau.edu/counseling/

Accessibility Policy: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA), students who require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to properly execute coursework must register with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) and follow all SAS procedures. SAS has offices across three of FAU's campuses – Boca Raton, Davie and Jupiter – however disability services are available for students on all campuses. For more information, please visit the SAS website at www.fau.edu/sas/.