

ANTH 615: Proseminar – Introduction to Graduate Studies in Anthropology
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University of Oregon

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Course Overview: Welcome to the Department of Anthropology! This class is for all new students admitted to the graduate program in anthropology at the UO. The purpose of this course is to give you the information and background necessary to succeed as a graduate student in the anthropology program, and some of the professional skills necessary for your career beyond graduate school.

Specific Learning Objectives:

1. Departmental structure and program requirements
2. University resources for research, writing, and funding
3. External funding sources and types
4. Conducting research, compliance
5. Publishing and presenting
6. Academic and non Academic Careers

Course Mechanics: This course meets once per week for a 2 hour discussion. In order for this class to work, it requires participation from all students and timely completion of weekly assignments. Participation means adding thoughtful comments and questions that reflect engagement with the material at hand, which is aimed at preparing you to successfully navigate through our graduate program. More importantly, this course should get you thinking about the issues that will be important in your longer term career.

Requirements: Evaluation in this course will consist of participation in the weekly seminars, completion of assignments, and attending and generating a short write-up on Anthropology Colloquia. Participation consists of active engagement in the course seminar that demonstrates understanding of the topic and material, that you have done the necessary background reading and given the topic serious thought. Assignments will vary considerably from week to week, but must be completed in a timely and thorough manner. Your grade is based on class participation (25%), on-time completion of assignments (50%), and colloquium attendance and write-ups (25%).

Students with disabilities: If you have a documented disability and anticipate needing accommodations in this course, please make arrangements to meet with the instructor soon. Also please request that the Counselor for Students with Disabilities send a letter outlining your approved accommodations. [Disability Services: disabsrv@uoregon.edu, 346-1155; <http://ds.uoregon.edu/>].

Schedule: Following is the schedule of discussion topics. Assignments are due at the next class meeting. This schedule may change as we move through the term.

September	26	Topic 1:	Welcome and Introductions; Departmental orientation Visits by Lisa Clawson and Leah Frazier, AAGS, GTFF Stewards; Guest Faculty Dept. Head Frances White
		Assignment:	Read Graduate Handbook, bring 3 questions
October	3	Topic 2:	Discuss The program, requirements, timely progress, being a GTF
		Assignment:	Comments on Graduate Handbook
	10	Topic 3:	Library visits: Miriam Rigby
		Assignment:	Read "Doctoral Degrees" Article and "Anthropology News" piece
	17	Topic 4:	Discuss Doctoral Degrees Article; Planning grad trajectory Guest Faculty:
		Assignment:	Get 3 relevant CVs, prepare your own, write 1 paragraph web profile
	24	Topic 5:	CV, professional profile, web presence, social media Guest Faculty: Nelson Ting
		Assignment:	Get call for papers, deadline, and prepare abstract for a relevant national meeting.
	31	Topic 6:	Conferences and Meetings Guest Faculty:
		Assignment:	Get NSF GPG, relevant DDIG dates, and those of 3 other sources.
November	7	Topic 7:	Proposal Development, SPS, EPCS, IRB Guest: Visit by Kalindi Allen
		Assignment:	Download instructions for authors from relevant journal
	14	Topic 8:	Publishing in journals Guest Faculty:
		Assignment:	Get 3 relevant job listings.
	21	Topic 9:	Job market, listings, wikis, applications, interviews, and talks Guest Faculty: Alison Carter
		Assignment:	Read Sinche et al., 2017; Sign up for Versatile Ph.D., find 2 relevant cases.
	28	Topic 10:	Non-academic careers Guest: Alumna Erica Squires
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