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## **Term Information**

Effective Term Spring 2025

## **General Information**

Course Bulletin Listing/Subject Area Anthropology

Fiscal Unit/Academic Org

College/Academic Group

Arts and Sciences

Level/Career

Undergraduate

Course Number/Catalog 3360

Course Title The Anthropology of Human-Animal Shared Environments

Transcript Abbreviation Anth of Hum-An Env

Course Description

This course introduces multispecies studies – a field of research and writing that examines nonhuman life forms as objects of analysis and as beings with relevant social, biological, and political lives. We will

life forms as objects of analysis and as beings with relevant social, biological, and political lives. We will explore how multispecies scholars engage with nonhumans across multiple dynamic worlds utilizing a

range of classic and emerging theoretical frameworks.

Semester Credit Hours/Units Fixed: 3

## Offering Information

Length Of Course 14 Week
Flexibly Scheduled Course Never
Does any section of this course have a distance No

education component?

Grading Basis Letter Grade

Repeatable No
Course Components Lecture
Grade Roster Component Lecture
Credit Available by Exam No
Admission Condition Course No
Off Campus Never

Campus of Offering Columbus, Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark, Wooster

## **Prerequisites and Exclusions**

Prerequisites/Corequisites

**Exclusions** 

Electronically Enforced No

## **Cross-Listings**

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## Subject/CIP Code

Subject/CIP Code 45.0201

Subsidy Level Baccalaureate Course

Intended Rank Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior

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## Requirement/Elective Designation

Lived Environments

## **Course Details**

## Course goals or learning objectives/outcomes

- Understand the historical approaches to studying human-animal relationships. Key foundational texts will establish the theoretical frameworks that informed early anthropological perspectives.
- Recognize the novel contribution of anthropological multispecies studies.
- Develop an original research project exploring a part of the human-other animal interface that is salient to you.
- Develop oral presentation and discussion skills through participation in classroom discussion and presenting their research to the class.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the complex interface between humans and other animals, across cultures, contexts, and time.

#### **Content Topic List**

- Animal behavior
- Animal sacrifice
- Animal kinship
- Politics of nature
- Domestication
- Pest species
- Love and attachment
- Anthropocene

#### **Sought Concurrence**

Yes

### **Attachments**

ANT 3360 on BA Curriculum Map.docx: Curriculum map BA

(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Palazzo, Sarah Rose)

• ANT 3360 on BS Curriculum Map.docx: Curriculum map BS

(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Palazzo, Sarah Rose)

- Ohio\_State\_Course\_Review\_Concurrence\_Form ANTHROP 3360 by Animal Sciences.pdf: Concurrence Animal Sci (Concurrence. Owner: Palazzo, Sarah Rose)
- ANTHROP 3360 Syllabus Peterson.pdf: Syllabus 6/27/24

(Syllabus. Owner: Palazzo,Sarah Rose)

submission-lived-environments\_Peterson.pdf: Lived Environments GE 6/27/24

(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Palazzo, Sarah Rose)

Revise and Resubmit Document.pdf: Response to revisions 6/27/24

(Cover Letter. Owner: Palazzo, Sarah Rose)

## **Comments**

- The submitted document says that the course title has been changed but no change to the title, transcript abbreviation, and perhaps course description has been made in curriculum.osu.edu. Please adjust. (by Vankeerbergen,Bernadette Chantal on 06/28/2024 09:46 AM)
- Please see Subcommittee feedback email sent 04/25/2024. (by Hilty, Michael on 04/25/2024 03:46 PM)
- See updated syllabus and accompanying letter. (by Palazzo, Sarah Rose on 03/05/2024 08:52 AM)
- See feedback email sent to department 03-01-2024 (by Steele,Rachel Lea on 03/01/2024 04:17 PM)

## **Workflow Information**

Status	User(s)	Date/Time	Step
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Dear members of the Committee,

Thank you for your careful reading of my materials and your thoughtful comments. Please find my responses and changes detailed below.

Best,

Jeff Peterson

• The reviewing faculty would like additional explanation surrounding the Lived Environment that the course will be examining, as they were unclear and do not believe students will be able to immediately identify the Lived Environment. While they believe that the course may be focusing on the interactions between humans and animals, and how this has changed over time and cultures, they ask it to be made clearer within the syllabus and the proposal if this is the case.

The Lived Environment that students will be examining is an environment that humans *share* with other animals. The multispecies approach operationalizes this notion of the shared environment in a way that is unique to the field of anthropology. These scholars recognize other animals as agents and foreground their experience, rather than position them as background characters in an anthropocentric environment.

I have updated the course description on the syllabus to make this perspective clearly foregrounded. I have also added text to inform students that we will use 3 of these Lived Environments as case studies:

1) Himalayas of Northern India; 2) The Florida Everglades; and 3) the Australian Outback.

• The reviewing faculty suggest revising the course title to help refocus the emphasis of the course on the Lived Environment being examined, as this may help clarify to students (and, by extension, the reviewing faculty) the core topic of the course.

I have changed the course title to the following:

"The Anthropology of Human-Animal Shared Environments"

This title speaks directly to the fact that the Lived Environments under analysis are shared, emphasizing the key relationships between humans and other animals therein.

• The reviewing faculty ask that more information be provided within the course syllabus surrounding the course assessments, with special attention paid to the Research Project and Final Presentation (as found on page 4 of the syllabus). While they appreciate the brief description found there, they would like more information about the details of the project and

how students can expect to engage with the GEN Theme category while they complete these assessments.

I have added more relevant information about each assignment set, including how they each allow students to engage with the GEN Theme category of Lived Environments.

• The reviewing faculty ask that specific assessments and assignments be identified that will fulfill the GEN Theme ELOs within the GE application form.

The GE application form has been updated to indicate the specific assignments that relate directly to the GEN Theme ELO's.

• The Subcommittee asks that the Religious Accommodation statement be updated within the course syllabus. On March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, the Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee updated the required statement to be in compliance with the new statement, which was provided by the Office of Undergraduate Education and vetted by the Office of Legal Affairs. As a helpful reminder, the link at the end of the statement labeled "Policy: Religious Holidays, Holy Days and Observations" is a required part of the statement and must be included. The newly updated statement can be found on the syllabus elements page of the ASC Curriculum and Assessment Services website.

Thanks for this reminder, and the syllabus has been updated accordingly.

# The Anthropology of Human-Animal Shared Environments (ANTHROP 3360)

Autumn 2024

**Instructor:** Dr. Jeffrey Peterson **Email:** peterson.807@osu.edu

Office Hours: TBD

Office Location: 4100A Smith Lab

Location: TBD

Format: Lecture, 3 contact hours/week



Long-tailed macaques (*Macaca fascicularis*) at the Ubud Monkey Forest in Bali consuming offerings left for them during the Tumpek Kandang ceremony, June 2017.

#### **Course Description**

How do humans relate to nonhumans in shared ecologies and cross-culturally, as beings to think with, live with, love, kill, and consume? This course introduces multispecies studies – a field of anthropological research and writing that examines nonhuman life forms as objects of analysis and as beings with relevant social, biological, and political lives. Central to the framework of multispecies studies is recognizing that the Lived Environment for humans is one they share with other species. Using specific case studies from the Himalayas, the Florida Everglades, and the Australian Outback, students will explore how multispecies scholars engage with nonhumans across multiple dynamic worlds utilizing a range of classic and emerging theoretical frameworks. Assigned readings will highlight wide-ranging geographic and sociocultural contexts, and attend to the myriad ways humans interact with and perceive other animals. Students will engage with topics both familiar and unfamiliar, and some that seem in contrast to conventional wisdom regarding the nature of human-animal relationships. At the end of the semester, students will develop a more critical lens through which they understand human-animal relationship in general, as well as in their own lives.

#### Required Texts

Baynes-Rock, Marcus (2020) *Crocodile Undone: The Domestication of Australia's Fauna*. Pennsylvania State University Press.

Govindrajan, Radhika (2018) *Animal Intimacies: Interspecies Relatedness in India's Central Himalayas*. The University of Chicago Press.

Ogden, Laura (2011) *Swamplife: People, Gators, and Mangroves Entangled in the Everglades*. University of Minnesota Press.

## **Course Objectives**

- Introduce the concepts, theories, and methods within the field of multispecies studies.
- Foster an appreciation for and understanding of human cultural diversity with respect to human-animal relationships.
- Understand the changes in how scientists study an understand human-animal relationship over time.
- Encourage students to use an anthropological perspective to evaluate and gain insight into their own relationships with other animals.

#### **Learning Outcomes**

- 1. Understand the historical approaches to studying human-animal relationships. Key foundational texts will establish the theoretical frameworks that informed early anthropological perspectives.
- 2. Recognize the novel contribution of anthropological multispecies studies.

- 3. Develop an original research project exploring a part of the human-other animal interface that is salient to you.
- 4. Develop oral presentation and discussion skills through participation in classroom discussion and presenting their research to the class.
- 5. Demonstrate knowledge of the complex interface between humans and other animals, across cultures, contexts, and time.

## **General Education Goals meet by this course**

The Anthropology of Animals is associated with the following GE categories:

#### **Themes**

#### **Lived Environments:**

#### Context:

The Lived Environments theme is intended to enable students to explore issues related to humans and their lived environments through both objective and subjective lenses inclusive of physical, biological, cultural and aesthetic space that individuals and groups occupy, and the relationship between humans and these environments.

#### Goals:

- 1. Successful students will analyze "Lived Environments" at a more advanced and in-depth level than in the Foundations component.
- 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to understanding lived environments by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in future.
- 3. Successful students will explore a range of perspectives on the interactions and impacts between humans and one or more types of environment (e.g., agricultural, built, cultural, economic, intellectual, natural) in which humans live.
- 4. Successful students will analyze a variety of perceptions, representations and/or discourses about environments and humans within them

#### **Expected Learning Outcomes:**

Successful students are able to:

- 1.1 Engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of lived environments.
- 1.2 Engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of lived environments.
- 2.1 Identify, describe, and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to lived environments.
- 2.2 Demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.
- 3.1 Engage with the complexity and uncertainty of human-environment interactions.
- 3.2 Describe examples of human interaction with and impact on environmental change and transformation over time and across space.

- 4.1 Analyze how humans' interactions with their environments shape or have shaped attitudes, beliefs, values and behaviors.
- 4.2 Describe how humans perceive and represent the environments with which they interact.
- 4.3 Analyze and critique conventions, theories and ideologies that influence discourses around environments.

Students will achieve the above Expected Learning Outcomes by engaging with course material across multiple domains, reading across disciplines, time periods, geographic contexts, cultural worldviews, and animal species. Students will read advanced material independently, such as the recent and provocative anthropological works 'Animals Intimacies' by Radhika Govindrajan and 'Crocodile Undone' by Marcus Baynes-Rock. Students will discuss their thoughts, perceptions, and reactions to the material as a class, enhancing their understanding of key themes such as human-environment interactions and how they shape and are shaped by our perceptions of those ecologies. This developing knowledge of the issues, approaches, and tensions in multispecies studies receives direct application in a small-scale research project on human-animal relations that the students will carry out themselves over the course of the semester, with input from their instructor and peers. Students will build this project in stages corresponding to course topics, allowing them to reflect on their own intellectual development and even apply their emerging knowledge directly to a topic of their own interest. The semester culminates with each student giving a presentation of their research project in the style of a talk at a scientific conference, where they will synthesize the myriad scholarly approaches to human-animal relations and articulate them with their own practical engagement with the field of multispecies studies.

#### **Course Expectations & Requirements**

1) Participation (5%): Students will be graded on their ability to collaboratively discuss the reading material and broader concepts during classroom meetings. These discussions are critical for understanding, questioning, and critiquing the theoretical frameworks of multispecies studies and their application to the case studies in this course and students' own lives. Participation will be graded on a 3-point scale for every class session. Students may have 3 excused absences that will not count against their participation.

**Be collegial in your participation**. We will be covering sensitive topics and students may have varying opinions. Remember to treat each other with respect and empathy.

- 2) Checkpoints (40%): Weekly checkpoints utilizing a mix of subjective and objective responses covering the material will give students the opportunity to think deeply and independently about their impressions of the readings and group discussion, while further applying the general concepts to their own lived experience/environment(s). These checkpoints will be submitted on Carmen by the end of each week.
- **3)** Research project (40%): This assignment allows students to engage with their *own* lived environment using the theoretical and analytical tools of multispecies studies in a way that is meaningful to them. Students will identify their own topic, collect their own (observational) data, analyze those data, and present their results to the class (see: Final Presentation, below). Assignments due throughout the

semester will ensure students are on pace with their research project, including: 1) project proposal; 2) peer-review; 3) annotated bibliography; 4) methods outline; 5) research update I; and 6) research update II. The final submission will summarize the research in the format of a scientific paper. The breakdown of the Research Project assignment values is presented in the table below.

Project proposal	5%
Peer-review	5%
Annotated bibliography	10%
Methods Outline	10%
Research update I	5%
Research update II	5%
Final submission	60%

**4) Final presentation (15%):** At the end of the semester students will give a small Powerpoint presentation on their research project. This presentation will be a condensed version of their final paper, detailing the research topic, methodology, analysis, results, and conclusion. A brief question and answer session at the end of each presentation will allow students to further engage with each other's perspectives on the environments we live in and share with other species.

#### **Evaluation**

Final grades are based on the following grading scale: A 93; A- 90-92; B+ 87-89; B 83-86; B- 80-82; C+ 77-79; C 73-76; C- 70-72; D+ 67-69; D 60-66; E< 60.

#### **Course Schedule**

This is the schedule of topics covered during the semester. All readings can be found in the required books or on Carmen. Readings for this class are not optional and should be completed each week.

Week	Topic	Reading	Due
1	Introduction to		
	The Anthropology of Animals		Checkpoint 1
2	Thinking about Animals	1) Aristotle, 350 BC: selections from 'History of Animals'	
		(Book 1: Parts 1-8; Book 9: Parts 1-11)	
	Interpreting Animal Behavior	1) Descartes: From the Letters of 1646 and 1649	
		2) Despret 2016: H for Hierarchy	Checkpoint 2
3	What Do Animals Know?	1) Lamarck 1809, selections from 'Zoological Philosophy'	
		(pp. 401-405)	Project
		2) Bateson 1969, "Metalogue: What is an Instinct?"	proposal

	Affinity with Animals	<ol> <li>Darwin 1871, Introduction to 'Descent of Man'</li> <li>Malik et al. 2017, "An Untold Story in Biology"</li> </ol>	Checkpoint 3
4	Beyond Biology	<ol> <li>Lévi-Strauss 1966, selections from 'La Pensée Sauvage'</li> <li>(pp. 46-51)</li> <li>Geertz 1973, "Deep Play: Notes on the Balinese Cockfight"</li> </ol>	
	Common Resources	1) Hardin 1974, "Tragedy of the Commons"	Checkpoint 4
5	A Multispecies World	1) Govindrajan 2018, Ch. 1: Introduction 2) Ingold 2000, selections from 'The Perception of the Environment' (pp. 13-15)	Peer-review due
	Animal Sacrifices	1) Govindrajan 2018, Ch. 2: The Goat Who Died for Family 2) Despret 2016: K for Killable	Checkpoint 5
6	Animal Kinship	1) Govindrajan 2018, Ch. 3: The Cow Herself Has Changed 2) Harris 1966, selections from "The Cultural Ecology of India's Sacred Cow" (pp. 146-149)	
	Animal Conflict	1) Govindrajan 2018, Ch. 4: Outsider Monkey, Insider Monkey 2) Dore 2018, selections from "Ethnoprimatology without Conservation" (pp. 929-937)	Checkpoint 6
7	What are Wild Things?	<ol> <li>Govindrajan 2018, Ch. 5: Pig Gone Wild</li> <li>Cronon 1991, selections from 'Nature's Metropolis'</li> <li>(pp. 15-19)</li> </ol>	Annotated bibliography
	Animal Stories	1) Govindrajan 2018, Ch. 6: The Bear Who Loved a Woman 2) Hartigan 2014, Ch. 10: The Fable as Form	Checkpoint 7
8	Landscapes and Politics	<ol> <li>Ogden 2011, Ch. 1: The Florida Everglades</li> <li>Ogden 2011, Ch. 2: Landscape Ethnography and the Politics of Nature</li> </ol>	
	Time, Place, and Being	1) Ogden 2011, Ch. 3: Earth, Fire, and Flesh 2) Ogden 2011, Ch. 4: The Travels of Snakes, Mangroves, and Men	Checkpoint 8
9	Entangled Past, Present, and Future	<ol> <li>Ogden 2011, Ch. 5: Searching for Paradise in the Florida Everglades</li> <li>Ogden 2011, Ch. 6: Alligator Conservation, Commodities, and Tactics of Subversion</li> </ol>	Methods outline
	Disestablished Natures	1) Baynes-Rock 2020, Ch. 1: The Great Unmaking 2) Hartigan 2014, Ch. 14	Checkpoint 9
10	Reverse Domestication	1) Baynes-Rock 2020, Ch. 2: Dingoes 2) Panko 2017, "What Does It Mean to Be a Species?"	
	Trajectories of Domestication	<ol> <li>Baynes-Rock 2020, Ch. 3: Stingless Bees</li> <li>Laber-Warren 2020, "Can an 'Invasive Species' Earn the Right to Stay?"</li> </ol>	Checkpoint 10

11	Domesticating Capital	1) Baynes-Rock 2020, Ch. 4: Crocodiles	Research
		2) Tsing 2018, Ch. 10: Salvage Rhythms	update I
	Good Fences Make Good Domesticates	1) Baynes-Rock 2020, Ch. 5: Emus 2) Parreñas 2018, selections from 'Decolonizing Extinction' (pp. 157-159)	Checkpoint 11
12	Pest Species	<ol> <li>Baynes-Rock 2020, Ch. 6: Kangaroos</li> <li>Cornwall 2014, "Why Killing Wolves Might Not Save Livestock"</li> </ol>	
	An Ecosystems Approach	1) Baynes-Rock 2020, Ch. 7: Borderlands 2) Mildenberger 2019, "The Tragedy of 'The Tragedy of the Commons'"	Checkpoint 12
13	Love and Attachment	<ol> <li>Candea 2010, "I Fell in Love with Carlos the Meerkat"</li> <li>Govindrajan, 2018, Epilogue: Kukur aur bagh</li> </ol>	Research update II
	Webs of Agency	<ol> <li>Despret 2016, L for Laboratory</li> <li>Peterson 2018, "Marauding Macaques at a Balinese Temple"</li> </ol>	Checkpoint 13
14		Thanksgiving Break	
15	Animals in the Anthropocene	<ol> <li>Fuentes 2020, Foreword: Undoing the World?</li> <li>Crate 2008, "Gone the Bull of Winter?"</li> </ol>	Final project in paper format
	Documentary Film		Checkpoint 14
16	Student Presentations		

#### AI/ChatGPT Statement

Recent developments in generative artificial tools, including ChatGPT and others, hold great potential for learning in new ways; however, students should not use these tools in the completion of course assignments unless their instructor specifically authorizes the tools' use. Students are encouraged to review the guidelines outlined in the Code of Student Conduct about completing academic activities with fairness and honesty.

All students should be familiar with what constitutes academic misconduct, especially as it pertains to test taking and plagiarism. Ignorance of the rules governing academic misconduct or ignorance of what constitutes academic misconduct is not an acceptable defense. Cases of alleged academic misconduct will be referred to the appropriate university committees.

#### **Disability Services**

The university strives to maintain a healthy and accessible environment to support student learning in and out of the classroom. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on your disability (including mental health, chronic, or temporary medical conditions), please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you

register with Student Life Disability Services. After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion.

If you are isolating while waiting for a COVID-19 test result, please let me know immediately. Those testing positive for COVID-19 should refer to the Safe and Healthy Buckeyes site for resources. Beyond five days of the required COVID-19 isolation period, I may rely on Student Life Disability Services to establish further reasonable accommodations. You can connect with them at slds@osu.edu; 614-292-3307; or slds.osu.edu.

#### **Religious Accommodations**

Ohio State has had a longstanding practice of making reasonable academic accommodations for students' religious beliefs and practices in accordance with applicable law. In 2023, Ohio State updated its practice to align with new state legislation. Under this new provision, students must be in early communication with their instructors regarding any known accommodation requests for religious beliefs and practices, providing notice of specific dates for which they request alternative accommodations within 14 days after the first instructional day of the course. Instructors in turn shall not question the sincerity of a student's religious or spiritual belief system in reviewing such requests and shall keep requests for accommodations confidential.

With sufficient notice, instructors will provide students with reasonable alternative accommodations with regard to examinations and other academic requirements with respect to students' sincerely held religious beliefs and practices by allowing up to three absences each semester for the student to attend or participate in religious activities. Examples of religious accommodations can include, but are not limited to, rescheduling an exam, altering the time of a student's presentation, allowing make-up assignments to substitute for missed class work, or flexibility in due dates or research responsibilities. If concerns arise about a requested accommodation, instructors are to consult their tenure initiating unit head for assistance.

A student's request for time off shall be provided if the student's sincerely held religious belief or practice severely affects the student's ability to take an exam or meet an academic requirement and the student has notified their instructor, in writing during the first 14 days after the course begins, of the date of each absence. Although students are required to provide notice within the first 14 days after a course begins, instructors are strongly encouraged to work with the student to provide a reasonable accommodation if a request is made outside the notice period. A student may not be penalized for an absence approved under this policy.

If students have questions or disputes related to academic accommodations, they should contact their course instructor, and then their department or college office. For questions or to report discrimination or harassment based on religion, individuals should contact the Office of Institutional Equity.

https://oaa.osu.edu/religious-holidays-holy-days-and-observances

#### **Academic Misconduct**

It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term "academic

misconduct" includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct http://studentlife.osu.edu/csc/.

#### PLEASE TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF (Mental Health Statement):

As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's ability to participate in daily activities. The Ohio State University offers services to assist you with addressing these and other concerns you may be experiencing. If you or someone you know are suffering from any of the aforementioned conditions, you can learn more about

the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the Office of Student Life's Counseling and Consultation Service (CCS) by visiting ccs.osu.edu or calling 614-292-5766. CCS is located on the 4th Floor of the Younkin Success Center and 10th Floor of Lincoln Tower. You can reach an on call counselor when CCS is closed at 614-292-5766 and 24 hour emergency help is also available 24/7 by dialing 988 to reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

#### **Sexual Misconduct and Relationship Violence**

Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender are Civil Rights offenses subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories (e.g., race). If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at http://titleix.osu.edu or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at titleix@osu.edu.

#### **Diversity**

The Ohio State University affirms the importance and value of diversity in the student body. Our programs and curricula reflect our multicultural society and global economy and seek to provide opportunities for students to learn more about persons who are different from them. We are committed to maintaining a community that recognizes and values the inherent worth and dignity of every person; fosters sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect among each member of our community; and encourages each individual to strive to reach his or her own potential.

Discrimination against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status, is prohibited.

Please Note: In case of unexpected instructor absences information will be posted on the web site (below). This site should be consulted during inclement weather to check for class cancellations or delays. Do not call the department, check the web site: https://anthropology.osu.edu/

## GE Theme course submission worksheet: Lived Environments

#### Overview

Courses in the GE Themes aim to provide students with opportunities to explore big picture ideas and problems within the specific practice and expertise of a discipline or department. Although many Theme courses serve within disciplinary majors or minors, by requesting inclusion in the General Education, programs are committing to the incorporation of the goals of the focal theme and the success and participation of students from outside of their program.

Each category of the GE has specific learning goals and Expected Learning Outcomes (ELOs) that connect to the big picture goals of the program. ELOs describe the knowledge or skills students should have by the end of the course. Courses in the GE Themes must meet the ELOs common for **all** GE Themes <u>and</u> those specific to the Theme, in addition to any ELOs the instructor has developed specific to that course. All courses in the GE must indicate that they are part of the GE and include the Goals and ELOs of their GE category on their syllabus.

The prompts in this form elicit information about how this course meets the expectations of the GE Themes. The form will be reviewed by a group of content experts (the Theme Advisory) and by a group of curriculum experts (the Theme Panel), with the latter having responsibility for the ELOs and Goals common to all themes (those things that make a course appropriate for the GE Themes) and the former having responsibility for the ELOs and Goals specific to the topic of **this** Theme.

Briefly describe how this course connects to or exemplifies the concept of this Theme (Lived Environments)

In a sentence or two, explain how this class "fits' within the focal Theme. This will help reviewers understand the intended frame of reference for the course-specific activities described below.

(enter text here)			

## Connect this course to the Goals and ELOs shared by all Themes

Below are the Goals and ELOs common to all Themes. In the accompanying table, for each ELO, describe the activities (discussions, readings, lectures, assignments) that provide opportunities for students to achieve those outcomes. The answer should be concise and use language accessible to colleagues outside of the submitting department or discipline. The specifics of the activities matter—listing "readings" without a reference to the topic of those readings will not allow the reviewers to understand how the ELO will be met. However, the panel evaluating the fit of the course to the Theme will review this form in conjunction with the syllabus, so if readings, lecture/discussion topics, or other specifics are provided on the syllabus, it is not necessary to reiterate them within this form. The ELOs are expected to vary in their "coverage" in terms of number of activities or emphasis within the course. Examples from successful courses are shared on the next page.

**Goal 1:** Successful students will analyze an important topic or idea at a more advanced and in-depth level than the foundations. In this context, "advanced" refers to courses that are e.g., synthetic, rely on research or cutting-edge findings, or deeply engage with the subject matter, among other possibilities.

**Goal 2:** Successful students will integrate approaches to the theme by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in future.

	Course activities and assignments to meet these ELOs
ELO 1.1 Engage in critical and	
logical thinking.	
ELO 1.2 Engage in an advanced,	
in-depth, scholarly exploration of	
the topic or ideas within this	
theme.	
<b>ELO 2.1</b> Identify, describe, and	
synthesize approaches or	
experiences.	
ELO 2.2 Demonstrate a	
developing sense of self as a	
learner through reflection, self-	
assessment, and creative work,	
building on prior experiences to	
respond to new and challenging	
contexts.	

Example responses for proposals within "Citizenship" (from Sociology 3200, Comm 2850, French 2803):

<b>ELO 1.1</b> Engage in critical	This course will build skills needed to engage in critical and logical thinking
and logical thinking.	about immigration and immigration related policy through:
	Weekly reading response papers which require the students to synthesize
	and critically evaluate cutting-edge scholarship on immigration;
	Engagement in class-based discussion and debates on immigration-related
	topics using evidence-based logical reasoning to evaluate policy positions;
	Completion of an assignment which build skills in analyzing empirical data
	on immigration (Assignment #1)

Completion 3 assignments which build skills in connecting individual experiences with broader population-based patterns (Assignments #1, #2, #3)

Completion of 3 quizzes in which students demonstrate comprehension of the course readings and materials.

## **ELO 2.1** Identify, describe, and synthesize approaches or experiences.

Students engage in advanced exploration of each module topic through a combination of lectures, readings, and discussions.

#### Lecture

Course materials come from a variety of sources to help students engage in the relationship between media and citizenship at an advanced level. Each of the 12 modules has 3-4 lectures that contain information from both peer-reviewed and popular sources. Additionally, each module has at least one guest lecture from an expert in that topic to increase students' access to people with expertise in a variety of areas.

#### Reading

The textbook for this course provides background information on each topic and corresponds to the lectures. Students also take some control over their own learning by choosing at least one peer-reviewed article and at least one newspaper article from outside the class materials to read and include in their weekly discussion posts.

#### **Discussions**

Students do weekly discussions and are given flexibility in their topic choices in order to allow them to take some control over their education. They are also asked to provide

information from sources they've found outside the lecture materials. In this way, they are able to

explore areas of particular interest to them and practice the skills they will need to gather information

about current events, analyze this information, and communicate it with others.

Activity Example: Civility impacts citizenship behaviors in many ways. Students are asked to choose a TED talk from a provided list (or choose another speech of their interest) and summarize and evaluate what it says about the relationship between civility and citizenship. Examples of Ted Talks on the list include Steven Petrow on the difference between being polite and being civil, Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's talk on how a single story can perpetuate stereotypes, and Claire Wardle's talk on how diversity can enhance citizenship.

the contexts.

ELO 2.2 Demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment, and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.

Students will conduct research on a specific event or site in Paris not already discussed in depth in class. Students will submit a 300-word abstract of their topic and a bibliography of at least five reputable academic and mainstream sources. At the end of the semester they will submit a 5-page research paper and present their findings in a 10-minute oral and visual presentation in a small-group setting in Zoom.

Some examples of events and sites:

The Paris Commune, an 1871 socialist uprising violently squelched by conservative forces

Jazz-Age Montmartre, where a small community of African-Americans—
including actress and singer Josephine Baker, who was just inducted into
the French Pantheon–settled and worked after World War I.
The Vélodrome d'hiver Roundup, 16-17 July 1942, when 13,000 Jews were
rounded up by Paris police before being sent to concentration camps
The Marais, a vibrant Paris neighborhood inhabited over the centuries by
aristocrats, then Jews, then the LGBTQ+ community, among other groups.

## Goals and ELOs unique to Lived Environments

Below are the Goals and ELOs specific to this Theme. As above, in the accompanying Table, for each ELO, describe the activities (discussions, readings, lectures, assignments) that provide opportunities for students to achieve those outcomes. The answer should be concise and use language accessible to colleagues outside of the submitting department or discipline. The ELOs are expected to vary in their "coverage" in terms of number of activities or emphasis within the course. Examples from successful courses are shared on the next page.

**GOAL 3:** Successful students will explore a range of perspectives on the interactions and impacts between humans and one or more types of environment (e.g. agricultural, built, cultural, economic, intellectual, natural) in which humans live.

**GOAL 4:** Successful students will analyze a variety of perceptions, representations and/or discourses about environments and humans within them.

	Course activities and assignments to meet these ELOs
<b>ELO 3.1</b> Engage with the complexity	
and uncertainty of human-	
environment interactions.	
ELO 3.2 Describe examples of human	
interaction with and impact on	
environmental change and	
transformation over time and across	
space.	
ELO 4.1 Analyze how humans'	
interactions with their environments	
shape or have shaped attitudes,	
beliefs, values and behaviors.	
<b>ELO 4.2</b> Describe how humans perceive	
and represent the environments with	
which they interact.	
ELO 4.3 Analyze and critique	
conventions, theories, and ideologies	
that influence discourses around	
environments.	