

Course number		U-LAS05 10002 LE40					
Course title (and course title in English)		Cultural Anthropology I-E2 Cultural Anthropology I-E2		Instructor's name, job title, and department of affiliation		Center for Southeast Asian Studies Associate Professor, LOPEZ , Mario Ivan	
Group	Humanities and Social Sciences		Field(Classification)		Regions and Cultures(Foundations)		
Language of instruction	English		Old group	Group A		Number of credits	2
Number of weekly time blocks	1	Class style	Lecture (Face-to-face course)		Year/semesters	2025 • First semester	
Days and periods	Mon.3		Target year	Mainly 1st & 2nd year students		Eligible students	For all majors
[Overview and purpose of the course]							
<p>Anthropology is the comparative study of culture and human societies and examines the general principles of social and cultural life. This course offers an introduction to the discipline of anthropology and its practical relevance to understanding societies. It introduces the different ways we can examine human societies and understand exchange processes, kinship and family, marriage, culture, nature, gender, nation building, and religion and ritual. Each week will consist of a brief lecture of 30~40 minutes based on class notes and readings followed by a class discussion and group exercises.</p>							
[Course objectives]							
<p>The main purpose of the course is to give students a critical introduction and understanding to cultural diversity and processes of change within and between societies. The course provides students with some basic tools that can help students to recognize the preconceptions and assumptions of their own social and cultural environments. This course is open to anyone who is interested in societies and cultures, and willing to proactively participate in discussions over the duration of the course.</p>							
[Course schedule and contents)]							
<p>Week 1. Overview Week 2. Social Theory, Culture and Cultural Relativity Week 3. Kinship and Family Week 4. Marriage Week 5. The Sharing Economy Week 6. Human Societies and Nature (1) Week 7. Human Societies and Nature (2) Week 8. Gender (1) Week 9. Gender (2) Week 10 Identifying “ Others ” Week 11. Community Building Week 12. Nation Building and Nationalism Week 13. Religion and Ritual Week 14. The Secular and Anthropology Week 15. Recap</p>							
[Course requirements]							
<p>Students should be able to participate in discussions, do readings, and submit short homework pieces each</p>							
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week.

[Evaluation methods and policy]

The final semester grade will be decided upon by participation in class lectures and attendance (65%) and a written essay (35%) to be submitted at the end of the course.

[Textbooks]

Not used

Materials will be prepared for use in the class. Most weeks have pre-prepared class notes and a main text to read.

[References, etc.]

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Introduced during class

[Study outside of class (preparation and review)]

Students will have readings prepared for each week along with class notes.

[Other information (office hours, etc.)]

Office hours are Mondays 4th period.

This course restricts student enrollment by 25.

[Essential courses]