

UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH
College of Social and Applied Human Sciences
Department of Sociology and Anthropology

ANTH*6000: Public Issues Anthropology FALL 2020

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Course Description

This course will examine the interface between anthropological and public understandings of public issues, with sensitivity to the presence or absence of anthropological insights. The course will help students to become well-versed in how to synthesize the resources from various branches of anthropology. Course material will include some discussion of the history of public anthropology in Canada. Students will conduct much of the content delivery of the course through seminar leads and discussions of their current research. Writing assignments are intended to help students develop the substantive and topical components of their thesis or major research paper (MRP) proposal. Course meetings will be supplemented by guest lectures, field trips, and round-table discussions with PIA faculty.

Course Delivery

Question: Does the course require face-to-face contact, or can course objectives be achieved through remote access?

Answer: No, the course does not require face-to-face contact. Objectives can be met through remote access. Much of the material will be delivered synchronously. Some material will be available for asynchronous learning. (Webadvisor indicates that this course will meet in a face-to-face format. That will only happen in accordance with health advisories, university protocols, and the agreement of the instructor and students.)

Required Readings

- Readings as provided through CourseLink and ARES, approximately 3-4 articles/week.

(Tentative) Evaluation

Participation	10
Seminar Lead(s)	20
Essay	35
Book Review	20
Public Writing	15

Note: This outline is subject to change. A complete outline will be available at the first class.