ANTH30004 Kinship and Family: A Global Perspective

Credit Points:	12.50			
Level:	3 (Undergraduate)			
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2014. Standard			
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 1 x 1.5 hour lecture and 1 x 1 hour tutorial per week for 12 weeks Total Time Commitment: 120 hours			
Prerequisites:	None			
Corequisites:	None			
Recommended Background Knowledge:	Knowledge gained in completing any one (12.5 points) of the following subjects:			
	Subject	Study Period Commencement:	Credit Points:	
	ANTH10001 Anthropology: Studying Human Diversity	Semester 2	12.50	
	ANTH20001 Keeping the Body in Mind	Semester 1	12.50	
	ANTH20007 Working with Value	Semester 2	12.50	
	ANTH20012 Engaging the World in Theory & Practice	Semester 1	12.50	
	ANTH20006 Culture Change and Protest Movements	Not offered 2014	12.50	
	ANTH20008 Anthropology of Gender and Sexuality	Semester 2	12.50	
	ANTH20011 Ethnic Nationalism and the Modern World	Semester 1	12.50	
	SOTH20002 Modernity: Foundations of Sociology	Semester 2	12.50	
	SOTH20003 Social Theory and Political Analysis	Not offered 2014	12.50	
	ANTH20012 Engaging the World in Theory & Practice	Semester 1	12.50	
Non Allowed Subjects:	Students who have completed ANTH30004 Anthropology of permitted to enrol in this subject	Kinship and Family are	not	
Core Participation Requirements:	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/			
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Subject Overview:	Kinship studies has a long, important and contentious history in Anthropology. Drawing on this historical legacy this subject applies both classic and contemporary anthropological theories of family, kinship and social relatedness to a range of ethnographic case studies. The subject addresses three inter-related themes. Firstly, there is an anthropological focus on the links that exist between kinship and the nation-state in terms of national identity, ethnicity, migration and state policy. Secondly, the subject considers yet complicates imaginings of blood ties and biogenetic substance by examining the influences of black magic, ghost marriages, Skype, spiritual conception, milk, guns, deities, surrogate mothers and medical practitioners in the shaping of kin ties today. Finally, there is a focus on continuity and social change and the ways in which the meaning of family, kinship and social relationships are transformed or otherwise by			

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	new reproductive and genetic technologies, polygamy, same-sex relationships, friendships and the influence of internet and mobile-phone based forms of communication.	
Learning Outcomes:	Students who successfully complete this subject will:	
	# be aware of the major theoretical debates in contemporary kinship and family studies	
	# develop a nuanced appreciation of the meaning of family, kinship and social relationships in a range of cross-cultural settings # be aware of important theoretical and empirical linkages between kinship, nationalism, ethnicity and national identity # be attentive to the role of a range of social, technological and governmental influences in the shaping of family and kinship ties today # develop a reflexive appreciation of the meaning of family, kinship and social relations in the context of their own lives	
Assessment:	A 1500 word take home exam (40%) due mid-semester, and a 2500 word research essay (60%) due during the examination period. Hurdle Requirement: This subject has a minimum hurdle requirement of 75% tutorial attendance. Regular participation in tutorials is required. Assessment submitted late without an approved extension will be penalised at 10% per working day. In-class tasks missed without approval will not be marked. All pieces of written work must be submitted to pass this subject.	
Prescribed Texts:	A subject reader will be available for purchase from the university bookshop.	
Fees Information: Generic Skills:	This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses: # Bachelor of Biomedicine (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2014/B-BMED) # Bachelor of Commerce (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2014/B-COM) # Bachelor of Environments (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2014/B-ENVS) # Bachelor of Music (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2014/B-MUS) # Bachelor of Science (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2014/B-SCI) # Bachelor of Engineering (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2014/B-ENG) You should visit learn more about breadth subjects (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects. Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees Students who successfully complete this subject will: # Students will be able to critically reflect on the relevance of comparative studies in their	
	# Students will be able to critically reflect on the relevance of comparative studies in their everyday life and relations # Be able to communicate oral and written arguments and ideas effectively and articulately	
Links to further information:	http://www.ssps.unimelb.edu.au/study/ads/	
Related Course(s):	U21 Diploma in Global Issues	
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	Anthropology Anthropology Anthropology Anthropology Gender Studies Gender Studies Gender Studies Gender Studies Gender Studies Gender Studies	
Related Breadth Track(s):	Anthropology - self and society	

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