

**Anthropology of Contemporary Life (A)**

Sociology and Anthropology 201

Section: C100

Term: 1998 Fall

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Discussion Topics:

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**COURSE CONTENT:**

An introduction to the anthropological perspective as a means for observing and understanding everyday life in modern industrial societies. Particular topics to be considered will include: the nature of social relationships and communities in urban settings; popular cultures and lifestyles; the social significance and cultural definition of work, leisure and unemployment; and, the role of the anthropologist in assessing and addressing public problems.

**Grading:**

Essay assignments 25% each

Mid-term examination 50%

Required Texts: Chance, N.A., *China's Urban Villagers: Life in a Beijing Commune*, (2nd edition)

Handelman, D., and E. Leyton, *Bureaucracy and World View*

Wadel, C., *Now, Whose Fault is That?*

Renato Resaldo, *Culture and Truth: The Remaking of Social Analy*

Recommended Texts: Murphy, R.F., *Cultural and Social Anthropology: An Overview*, 3rd edition

Materials/Supplies:

Prerequisite/Corequisite: SA 101 recommended. Students with credit for SA 291 may not take

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SA 201 for further credit.

Notes:

SUPPLEMENTARY FEES

Must be paid to the Centre for Distance Education.

Course Materials & Service Fee \$30

Deposit for additional Materials \$20

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