

# NATIONAL UNIVERSITY



## Syllabus Department of Anthropology

**Four Year B.S.S Honours Course  
Effective from the  
Session: 2009–2010**

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**Subject : Anthropology**  
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**Year-wise Courses and Marks Distribution**

**First year Honours.**

<b>Course Code</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Marks</b>	<b>Credits</b>
	Introduction to Anthropology	100	4
	Introduction to Biological Anthropology	100	4
	Kinship and Social Organization	100	4
	Introduction to Archaeology	100	4
	Bangladesh History, Society and Culture	100	4
	Principles of Economics	100	4
	Total=	<b>600</b>	<b>24</b>

**Detailed Syllabus**

**First Year**

**Course Code ..... : Introduction to Anthropology    Marks 100, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures**

- 1. Anthropology**  
 Definition, Scope and Subject-matter of Anthropology  
**Major Branches of socio-cultural Anthropology**  
 Cultural/Social Anthropology  
 Biological Anthropology  
 Linguistic Anthropology  
 Archaeology  
 Anthropology and its Relation with other Disciplines
- 2. Anthropological Perspectives and Methods**
- 3. Culture as a Central Concept in Anthropology**  
 What is Culture?  
 Universality, Generality and Particularity  
 Mechanisms of Cultural Change  
 Globalization
- 4. Ethnicity**  
 Ethnic Groups and Ethnicity

- Ethnic Groups, Nations, and Nationalities  
Peaceful coexistence, Roots of Ethnic conflict
5. **Social Organization**  
Family, Kinship, Descent, Marriage, Household, Gender
  6. **Economic Organization**  
Hunting/Gathering, Pastoralism, Horticulture, Agriculture  
Production – Distribution – Exchange
  7. **Political Organization**  
Band, Tribe, Chiefdom and State
  8. **Beliefs and Rituals**  
Animism, Animatism, Mana, Magic, Totemism, Myth, Witchcraft and Sorcery, Religious Specialists
  9. **Contemporary Issues in Anthropology**

**References:**

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Acves and King                 | Cultural Anthropology                                                     |
| Barnard: (ESCA)                | Encyclopedia of Social and Cultural Anthropology                          |
| Barnouw, Victor                | Anthropology, Vols. One & Two                                             |
| Bock, Philip K                 | Modern Cultural Anthropology                                              |
| Bryant and Cronk               | Through the Looking Glass                                                 |
| Dawn, F J                      | Human Nature: An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology                    |
| Deutsch, Richard               | Perspectives: Anthropology                                                |
| Ember, E & M Ember             | Anthropology                                                              |
| Feraro, Garry                  | Cultural Anthropology; Applied Perspective                                |
| Friedl, John & John E Pfeiffer | Anthropology: The Study of People                                         |
| Harris, Marvin                 | Culture, People, Nature: An Introduction to General Anthropology          |
| Harris, Marvin & O Johnson     | Cultural Anthropology, 5 <sup>th</sup> Edition                            |
| Pocock, David                  | Anthropology                                                              |
| Haviland, William              | Cultural Anthropology                                                     |
| Hicks, D & M A Gwynne          | Cultural Anthropology                                                     |
| Hoebel, E                      | Anthropology: The Study of Man                                            |
| Hymes, D                       | Rethinking Anthropology                                                   |
| Johnston, F E                  | Anthropology: The Biocultural View                                        |
| Keesing, R M & F M Kessing     | New Perspective in cultural Anthropology                                  |
| Kessing, Roger M               | Cultural Anthropology                                                     |
| Kottak, C P                    | Anthropology: The Exploration of Human Diversity, 5 <sup>th</sup> Edition |
| Lewis, I M                     | Social Anthropology in Perspectives                                       |
| Mair, Lucy                     | An Introduction to Social Anthropology                                    |
| Miller, Barbara D              | Cultural Anthropology                                                     |
| Moore, Alexander               | Cultural Anthropology                                                     |
| Nanda, Serena                  | Cultural Anthropology, 5 <sup>th</sup> Edition                            |
| Peoples and Bailey             | Humanity: An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology                        |
| Rosman, A & P G Rubel          | The Tapestry of Culture                                                   |

Schultz and Lavenda  
Scupin, R & C R DeCorse  
Spradley and McCurdy  
Tax. Sol  
Whitten, P & D E K Hunter  
আনোয়ার উল্লাহ চৌধুরী ও সাইফুর রশীদ  
এ কে এম আমিনুল ইসলাম

Cultural Anthropology  
Anthropology: A Global Perspective  
Anthropology: The Cultural Perspective  
Horizons of Anthropology  
Anthropology: Contemporary Perspective  
নৃবিজ্ঞান: উদ্ভব, বিকাশ ও গবেষণা পদ্ধতি  
এই পৃথিবীর মানুষ, ২ খন্ড

**Course Code ..... : Introduction to Biological Anthropology Marks 100, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures**

- 1. Biological Anthropology:**  
Definition, Scope, Subject Matter and Branches of Biological Anthropology  
Paleontology  
Human Evolution and Comparative Human Biology  
Somatology
- 2. Evolution of Homo-Sapience:**  
Lamarckian Theory, Mendel's Theory, Darwin's Theory, Neo-Darwin's Theory
- 3. Factors of Evolution:**  
Natural Selection – Mutation – Genetic Drift – Migration/Gene Flow
- 4. Human Genetics:**  
Sources of Variation-Cellular Reproduction – Mitosis – Meiosis – Chromosomal Change – Gene Pool – Genetic Equilibrium – Genotype – Phenotype – Hardy Weinberg's Theory, Genetic Markers
- 5. Issues of Health and Nutrition in Biological Anthropology**

**References:**

Angeloni, Elvio (ed)	Annual Editions: Physical Anthropology, 1996/97, 1997/98, 1998/99
Barnouw, Victor	An Introduction to Anthropology; Physical Anthropology and Archaeology, Vol. 1
Bennett, K A	Fundamentals of Biological Anthropology
Birdsell, James B	Human Evolution: An introduction to Man's Adaptation
Darwin, Charles	The Origin of the Species by Means of Natural Selection or the Preservation of Favored Races in Struggle for Life
Das, B M	Physical Anthropology Practical
Dobzansky	Evolving Mankind
Dobzansky	Genetics and the Origin of Species
Haviland, William	Anthropology
Howard, C M & J Dunaif-Hattis	Anthropology: Understanding Human Adaptation Humanity, Cultural and Social Life
Elso, A.J.	Physical Anthropology

Kuper, Leo	Race, Science and Society
Lasker, W Gabriel	Physical Anthropology
Lauriar and Laurier	Practical Human Biology
Montagu, A	The Concept of Race
Morris, Desmond	The Naked Ape
Nelson, Harry & Jurmain, Robert	Introduction to Physical Anthropology
Plog, Jolly, and Bates	Anthropology: Decisions, Adaptation, and Evolution
Tim Ingold (ed)	Companion Encyclopedia of Anthropology
Sarkar, R M	Fundamentals of Physical Anthropology
Scholler	The Year of Gorilla
Soloman, H K (ed)	Biological Anthropology: Reading From South America
Stein, P L & B Rowe	Physical Anthropology
White, Edmund	The First Man

**Course Code ..... : Kinship and Social Organization Marks 100, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures**

1. **Kinship**  
Definition  
Determinants of Classifying Kinship  
Kinship Studies in Anthropology
2. **Descent**  
Decent Groups-Unilineal, Cognitive, Double  
Lineages and Clans  
Descent system and locality practices
3. **Kinship Terminology**  
Eskimo, Hawaiian, Iroquois, Omaha, Crow and the Sudanese  
Kinship and Gender Relations
4. **Marriage**  
Definition and Classifications of Marriage  
Post Marital Rules of Residence  
Rules of Marriage Incest  
Rules of Marriage Alliances  
Dowry and Bride Wealth
5. **Family and Domestic Groups**  
Family and its Origin and Evolution as a Domestic Group  
Roles and Function of Family  
Types of Family  
Developmental cycle of domestic group  
Household Pattern, Endogamy and Exogamy Varieties  
Marriage Alliances; Symmetrical and Asymmetrical Alliances
6. **Kinship Systems in South Asian Societies with Special Reference to Bangladesh**

## References:

- Alavi, Hamza  
Ann Whitehead  
Aziz, K M Ashraful  
Bohannan, P & Middleton  
Collier and Yanagisako  
Engels, Friedrich  
Fox, Robin  
Goddy, J and S T Tambiah  
Graburn, Nelson (ed)  
Inden, R B & Ralph Nicholas  
Karim, Zehadul
- Kate Young  
Kessing, R  
Klass, Mortorn  
Korson, J Henry
- Korson, J Henry
- Levi-Strauss, C  
Maine, H S  
Morgan, L H  
Murdock, G P  
Radcliffe-Brown, A R  
Schneider and K Gough  
Westermarck, E  
Uberoi Patricia  
Ladislav, Holy  
Standing, Hillary  
ড. জাহিদুল ইসলাম অনূদিত (মূল: রবিন ফক্স)  
আদিল হাসান চৌধুরী
- Kinship in Panjab  
I am Hungry Mum  
Kinship in Bangladesh  
Kinship and Social Organization  
Gender and Kinship  
The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State  
Kinship and Marriage  
Bride-Wealth and Dowry  
Readings in Kinship and Social Structure  
Kinship in Bengali Culture  
Marriage Rules and Practices among the Muslims in Rural Bangladesh, *South Asian Anthropologist*, 1988,9(2):143-148  
Of Marriage and the Market  
Kin Groups and Social Structure  
Marriage Rules in Bengal, *American Anthropologist*, 89:951-970  
Dowry and Social Class in an Urban Muslim Community, *Journal of Marriage and the Family*, 29:527-533  
Endogamous Marriage in a Traditional Muslim Society: West Pakistan, *Journal of Comparative Studies*, 2:145-155  
Views from a Far  
Ancient Law  
Ancient Society  
Social Structure  
African Systems of Kinship and Descent  
Matrilineal Kinship  
The History of Human Marriage  
Family, Kinship and Marriage in India  
Anthropological Perspectives on Kinship  
Dependence and Autonomy  
আত্মীয়তা সম্পর্ক ও বিবাহ  
সামাজিক পুনরুৎপাদনে জাতি সম্পর্ক: বাংলাদেশের একটি ছোট শহরের শ্রেণ্যপটে কিছু তাত্ত্বিক পর্যবেক্ষণ, নৃবিজ্ঞান পত্রিকা-৯, নৃবিজ্ঞান বিভাগ, জা.বি.।

## Course Code ..... : Introduction to Archaeology Marks 100, 4 Credits, 60 Lectures

1. Definition and Kinds of Archaeology  
Relationship between Anthropology and Archaeology  
Different Theoretical Approaches to Archaeology
2. Methodology and Analysis of Remains  
Archaeological Methods, Survey and Excavation
3. Prehistory
4. Archaeology in Bangladesh: Concepts of Archaeological Practice, Archaeological Sites



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- Barnard, A. and J.Spencer (eds.) Encyclopedia of Social and Cultural Anthropology, Routledge, 1996, NY, USA.
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- Chatterjee, P. Claims on the Past: The Genealogy of Modern Historiography-Bengal Subaltern Studies 8, Delhi Oxford University Press
- Cohn, B. Anthropology and History – The 1980's Towards a Reproachment . An Anthropologist among the Historian and Other Essays, Oxford University Press
- Eaton, R. The Rise of Islam and the Bengal Frontiers (1204-1760), 1993, Berkeley University of California.
- Gupta, D. (ed.) Social Stratification, 1993, Delhi: Oxford University Press
- Hobshawm, E. Introduction: Inventing Tradition in the Invention of Tradition (ed) Eric Hobshawn R.T. Raugei, Cambridge University Press.
- Islam, Z. and H. Shafie (ed.) Anthropology on the Move: Contextualizing Culture Studies in Bangladesh, 2006, Department of Anthropology, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Karim, A.K. Nazmul Changing Society in India, Pakistan and Bangladesh, 1996, Banglabazar, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Lewis, I.W. (ed.) History and Social Anthropology, 1968, Tavistock, Publications, London, UK
- Murdock, G.P. Culture and Society, 1965, University of Pittsburgh Press, USA.
- Srinivas, M.N. Varna Caste in Social Stratification (ed) D.Gupta, Delhi Oxford University Press.
- Van Schendel, W. The Invention of the Jummas State Formation and Ethnicity-South Eastern Bangladesh. Modern South Asian Studies 26 (i), 1992
- আনসারী, মুসা ইতিহাস: সমাজ ও সংস্কৃতি ভাবনা, ১৯৯২, বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা, বাংলাদেশ
- ইসলাম, সিরাজুল (সম্পাদিত) বাংলাদেশের ইতিহাস: ১৭০৪-১৯৭১ (১ম, ২য় ও ৩য় খন্ড), ২০০০, বাংলাদেশ এশিয়াটিক সোসাইটি, ঢাকা, বাংলাদেশ
- মু. আ. রহিম, আব্দুল মমিন চৌধুরী, এ. বি. এম. বাংলাদেশের ইতিহাস, ১৯৯৮, বাংলাবাজার, ঢাকা, বাংলাদেশ।
- মহিউদ্দিন মাহমুদ এবং সিরাজুল ইসলাম শরীফ, আহমেদ বাঙলা বাঙালী বাঙালীত্ব , অনন্যা, বাংলা বাজার, ঢাকা, বাংলাদেশ।
- রায়, অজয় বাঙলা ও বাঙালী, ১৯৮৮, বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা, বাংলাদেশ।
- রায়, অজয় আদি বাঙালী: নৃতাত্ত্বিক ও সমাজতাত্ত্বিক বিশেষণ, ১৯৯৭, বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা, বাংলাদেশ।
- বসু, নির্মল কুমার হিন্দু সমাজের গড়ণ
- নীহার রঞ্জন রায় বাঙ্গালীর ইতিহাস
- মুর্শিদ, গোলাম হাজার বছরের বাঙ্গালী সংস্কৃতি
- আমীরুল ইসলাম বাংলা অঞ্চলের ইতিহাস, নতুন দৃষ্টিকোন একটি সমীক্ষা, ঢাকা প্যাপিরাস।
- গোপাল হাওলাদার সংস্কৃতি রূপান্তর
- অতুল সুর বাঙ্গালীর সামাজিক ইতিহাস
- রহিম, মোহাম্মদ আব্দুর (অনুদিত) বাংলার সামাজিক ও সাংস্কৃতিক ইতিহাস (১ম ও ২য় খন্ড), বাংলা একাডেমী, ঢাকা, বাংলাদেশ।
- জাহাঙ্গীর, বি.কে. ইতিহাস নির্মান
- ভদ্র, গৌতম ও চট্টোপাধ্যায়, পার্থ (সম্পাদিত) নিম্নবর্গের ইতিহাস, ১৯৯৯, আনন্দ পাবলিশার্স প্রাইভেট লিমিটেড, কলিকাতা, ভারত।

1. **Fundamentals of Economics:** Definition, Nature and Scope of Economics, Scarcity of Resources, Various forms of Economic Organization, Three Fundamental Problems of Economics, Production Possibility Frontier, Opportunity Cost, Efficiency and Equity.
2. **Supply and Demand:** Demand and Quantity Demanded, Demand Schedule, Demand Curve, Supply and Quantity Supplied, Supply Schedule, Supply Curve, Equilibrium of Supply and Demand, Movement along the Supply and Demand Curve and Shift of Supply and Demand Curve and Its Effects on Equilibrium Price and Quantity. Elasticity of Supply and Demand; Determinants of Elasticity of Demand.
3. **The Theory of Consumer Behavior:** Total and Marginal Utility; Law of Diminishing Marginal Utility, Equi-Marginal Utility; Consumer Surplus.
4. **Production and Cost:** Production Function and Technology; Production with One Variable Input; Production with Two Variable Inputs; Returns to Scale; Costs in the Short-run; Costs in the Long-run.
5. **Market Analysis:**
  - A. **Perfect Competition:** Characteristics of Perfect Competition; Average and Marginal Revenue; Individual and Market Supply; Short-run equilibrium of a competitive firm Long run Equilibrium under Perfect Competition.
  - B. **Monopoly:** Average and Marginal Revenue; Supply Curve of the Monopolist; Perfect Competition and Monopoly Compared;
6. **Overview of Macro Economics:** Objective and Instruments of Macroeconomics, National Income Accounting, Gross Domestic Product, Problem of Double Counting, Net Domestic Product, Gross National Product, From GDP to Disposable Income, Net Economic Welfare (NEW).
7. **International Trade:** Domestic Vs. International Trade-Balance of Trade Vs. Balance of Payment-Trend of Changes in International Trade of Bangladesh. Free Trade Vs. Protection, Comparative Advantage Theory.
8. **Growth and Development:** Economic Development and Economic Growth, Measurement of Economic Development, Obstacles to Economic Development.
9. **Money:** Definition and Functions of Money-Importance of Money in Modern Economy-Different Concepts of Money (M1, M2, M3)-Value of Money. Concept, Causes and Effects of Inflation and Deflation.
10. **Government Revenue and Expenditure:** Difference between Public Sector and Private Sector finance, Different Sources of Govt. Revenues, Taxation and Different Kinds of Taxes, Definition of Revenue Budget, Development Budget, Revenue Budget Vs. Development Budget, Surplus, Deficit and Balanced Budget.

**Books Recommended:**

1. N. Gregory Mankiw. **Principles of Economics.** Any Late Edition. South Western College.
2. Michael Parkin. **Economics.** Any Late Edition. Prentice and Hall.
3. Karl Case and Ray Fair. **Principles of Economics.** Any Late Edition. Prentice and Hall.
4. Paul Samuelson and William Nordhaus. **Economics.** Any Late Edition. McGraw Hill.