

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY  
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**Anthropology 221**  
**Native People of North America**

**32 Assignments**  
**3 Semester Hours**

**INTRODUCTION**

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**Content:** This course is a survey of the Native American cultures of North America, and of the impact of four centuries of British, French, Spanish, and Russian contact on Native American societies. Particular emphasis is placed on comparing and contrasting cultural characteristics of Native American groups living in ecologically diverse regions of North America. The course also includes consideration of the status of Native Americans in present-day North America. This course is part of the University Studies Program, which is designed to provide a comprehensive liberal arts education to all undergraduates. The course can be taken to fulfill the Cross-Cultural requirement of University Studies Program.

**Textbook:** Oswalt, Wendell, H. *This Land Was Theirs: A Study of North American Indians*, 7th edition, Mayfield Publishing Company, Mountain View, California, 2002. ISBN 0767413474.

In addition, students should have access to a general cultural anthropology text that defines basic anthropological terms used to describe Native American kinship, economic, social, political and technological characteristics. Examples of such textbooks include Conrad Kottak's text entitled "Anthropology: The Exploration of Human Diversity" or "Cultural Anthropology" by the same author. However, any text that defines anthropological terms will prove helpful.

The course assignments are designed so that students may be asked for either specific answers through objective questions (true/false, multiple choice, etc.) or for discussions of content through short answer and compare/contrast questions. These latter questions require an understanding of the texts and may not have explicit answers already stated in the text.

**Procedure:** Each assignment must be submitted individually and in sequence (1,2,3,...) with a blue cover sheet stapled as its front "page" on which you have provided the information requested - name, address, assigned student number, date, course

(ANT 221) and assignment number. All assignment pages should be returned with answers in the spaces provided. The three "midterm review tests" may require more space. If so, attach additional pages, or write below or on the back of the assignment pages. Each assignment must be mailed or brought to the Independent Study Program office in Frazee Hall basement, submitted in sequence. Additional information concerning the procedure for the preparation of assignments is found at the end of this book.

To aid students, most assignments have a list of Keywords. These keywords consist of important people, places, things, and concepts of particular significance to the topic or geographic area discussed in that assignment. It is important that you know the meaning of these terms and how they are relevant to the area under investigation.

ANT 221 - Native Peoples of North America - has a total of 30 assignments. Of these, 27 are based directly on the assigned text materials. The other three, Assignments, 11, 22, and 32 are review tests that contain questions on the third of the course and the readings just completed. If you understand the format of the Identification in Part A, and Discussion in Part B, along with reviewing the assigned readings, you should be well prepared for the final examination. It is very important to be precise in your answers. Responses that are too general will not be counted and will result in a lower grade.

**Grading:** The assignment must be submitted with a blue cover sheet on each assignment page. All questions should be completed using the appropriate word, phrase, or sentence, as required. Generally, it is best to submit the first few assignments slowly enough so that you receive the instructor's feedback before you have completed all of the assignments. Since the final examination is comprehensive, and comprises 40% of your final grade, and must be receiving a grade of "D" or higher to pass the course, you should have carefully review all of the graded assignments as a means of preparing for the final examination. All assignment must be completed before you may take the final examination.

Your final grade for this course will be based on your performance on the following activities:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Percent of Grade</b>
Written assignments (29)	40%
Midterm review tests (3)	20%
<u>Final examination</u>	<u>40%</u>
Total	100%

The final examination comprises 40% of your final grade and must be passed in order for you to receive credit for this course. The final examination provides the

instructor with a means for evaluating your understanding to the entire course content. The final examination will be comprehensive, meaning all of the material should be taken into account when studying. Questions will be taken from the assigned readings. If you have performed well on the individual assignments and on the three midterm review tests, you should do well on the final examination.

In preparing for the final examination, you should pay particular attention to the **keywords** provided with each assignment. If you understand the definition of these terms, it should greatly enhance your performance on the final examination. In answering the questions on the individual assignments and the final examination, you will receive maximum credit by being as precise and explicit as possible. If your answers are too general or vague, you will receive a lower score.

Reminder: A passing grade is required on the final examination in order for you to pass the course. Since the final examination counts 40% of the final grade, it is important for you to do as well as possible. Do not become dependent on using your textbook to answer the assignment questions. It is important to remember that the final examination is a closed book test. You may not use your textbook, the corrected assignments, or other reference materials to assist you in answering the test questions.

As with each of the midterm review tests, the final examination will consist of two parts. The first part will contain approximately 20 identification questions to be selected from a list of approximately 25 possibilities. These questions will be worth 2.5 points each (total=50 points). The second part of the final examination will consist of 5 discussion questions worth 10 points each (total=50 points). To answer the questions in part two, you will need to compare and contrast information about different topics discussed in the readings.

Finally, please complete the **student information sheet** that is included with Assignment 1. The information that you provide will help me learn about your interests in Native American studies, as well as help me understand your anthropological background and interests. Please feel free to include notes and comments with your assignments concerning other material that you have read or any other questions you have about Native Americans, archaeology, or general anthropology. If you would like to contact me directly concerning an assignment or would just like to talk about anthropology, feel free to call me at (859) 257-2860 or e-mail me at [rwjeff1@uky.edu](mailto:rwjeff1@uky.edu). I look forward to working with you and learning from you.

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**The Final Examination Request Form is the last page of this Course Assignment Book. This form must be completed and sent or taken to the Independent Study Program Office, Frazee Hall, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky 40506-0031 (Telephone: 859-256-3466). Do not send this form to your instructor. Your instructor cannot arrange for you to take the final examination.**

The format for the Final Examination is the same as that used on the three Midterm Review Exams (Assignments 11, 22, 32), but the Final Examination will contain more questions than the Midterm Review Exams. Part A will consist of 20 short identification questions that will be worth 2.5 points each, totaling 50 points. For Part B, you must answer 5 of the 7 questions provided for discussion, comparison and contrast. Part B will be worth 50 points. The total point value for the Final Examination will be 100 points.