

Department of Anthropology

ANTHRO 4401F: Anthropological Thinking and Practice

BRIEF COURSE OUTLINE

Fall 2025

Date: July 4, 2025

Instructor and course information:

Instructor: Dr. Trish Markert

Method of delivery: In-person

Credit value: 0.5

Antirequisites: the former Anthropology 4400E.

Prerequisites: Anthropology 3350F (or the former Anthropology 3301E) and registration in Year 4 in any anthropology module.

Unless you have either the requisites for this course or written special permission from your Dean to enroll in it, you may be removed from this course and it will be deleted from your record. The decision may not be appealed. You will receive no adjustment to your fees in the event that you are dropped from a course for failing to have the necessary prerequisites.

Please ensure you have the correct requisites by checking the Academic Calendar.

Course Description:

This course is intended to serve as a "capstone" course – meaning that it is intended to (1) encourage students to reflect on and draw from what they have learned through several years of studying anthropology, while (2) giving them the opportunity to engage in original "anthropological practice" at an advanced level and in ways that are directed toward a variety of possible futures.

A full course schedule including a week-by-week breakdown of topics and assigned readings will be available on the course's OWL Brightspace site before the first day of class.

Course Materials:

All required readings (e.g., PDFs, websites, videos) will be available through the Course Readings tool on the course site. Students may also be asked to contribute readings, resources, and their own material throughout the course for discussion and workshopping.

Evaluation:

Grades will be based on the following:

Learning Outcomes Assignment	10%
Flex Assignment(s)	20%
Required Mini-Assignments (Pass/Fail)	10%
Class Engagement	10%
Final Research Paper	50%