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Tämä opas kertoo 2021-2022 järjestettävistä sosiaali- ja kulttuuriantropologian kursseista. Kurssien tiedot kannattaa tarkistaa Sisusta ja kurssisivuilta, sillä tähän ohjelmaan voi tulla vielä muutoksia pandemiatilanteeseen liittyvistä tai muista syistä. Kevätlukukauden kurssit ajoitetaan vasta loppusyksystä, joten niiden tiedot on jätetty auki (TBA).

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I periodi

YK-111		Johdatus yhteiskunnallisen muutoksen tutkimukseen I			
Timo Kaartinen Juhana Aunesluoma Barry Gills Jari Eloranta	maanantai 12-14 keskiviikko 12-14 (ensimmäinen kerta: tiistai 7.9. 12-14)	Online Zoom ja Moodle	I period 7.9.2020-25.10.2020	suomi englanti	
<p>Tämä kurssi esittelee Yhteiskunnallisen muutoksen kandidaattiohjelmaan osallistuvat tieteenalat ja erilaisia mahdollisuuksia käyttää antropologian, kehitystutkimuksen, poliittisen historian ja talous- ja sosiaalhistorian menetelmiä ja tutkimustietoa ajankohtaisten paikallisten, kansallisten, kansainvälisten ja globaalien ongelmien käsittelyssä. Kurssin tavoitteena on saavuttaa ymmärrys näiden tieteenalojen eroista ja yhtymäkohdista sekä ohjelman tarjoamasta opetuksesta kokonaisuutena.</p>					

YK-113		Yhteiskunnallisen muutoksen praktikum			
Katso kurssisivut	Tiistai ja torstai 12-14	3 ryhmää lähiopetuksen, 1 etänä (riskiryhmille) Ks. kurssin kuvaus	I period 01.09.20 - 16.10.20	suomi	
<p>Praktikumissa tutustutaan koulutusohjelman neljän tieteenalan tieteelliseen keskusteluun pienryhmissä. Kurssilla harjoitellaan tieteellisen tekstin lukemista, argumentointia, kirjoittamista ja esittämistä. Kurssin antropologiaosuudessa opiskelijat tutustuvat etnografian ja antropologisen tutkimuksen pääpiirteisiin kolmen tieteellisen artikkelin kautta. Ryhmät 1-3 pyritään järjestämään lähiopetuksena, ryhmä 4 etäopetus Zoomissa (esim. riskiryhmiin kuuluvat). Ilmoittaudu itsellesi sopivaan, lähiopetuksen ryhmien maksimikokoja ei voi ylittää. Praktikum alkaa kahdella yhteisellä etäluennolla Zoomissa ensimmäisellä viikolla. Sen jälkeen pienryhmätapaamiset 2 krt/vko, joita ennen luetaan annettu teksti ja kirjoitetaan siitä tehtävä opettajan ohjeiden mukaan. Kolme ryhmää pyritään järjestämään lähiopetuksena. Tämä varmistuu myöhemmin ja saattaa muuttua tilanteen mukaan. Neljäs ryhmä on etäopetusta Zoom-sovelluksessa. Tätä suositellaan riskiryhmiin kuuluville ja muille, jotka eivät halua tulla keskustakampukselle. Linkki kurssin Moodle-alustalle tulee kurssisivulle 31.8. Sieltä selviää Zoom osoitteet ja ohjeet.</p>					

YKA-223 Antropologian kandidaattiseminaari					
Kajanus, Anni	perjantaisin 10-12	U35, sh. 113/112	I ja II period 10.9.2021- 17.12.2021	suomi	



Kandidaattiseminaarissa harjoitellaan tieteellistä argumentaatiota niin kirjallisesti kuin suullisestikin. Seminaari on ensimmäinen itsenäiseen työskentelyyn perustuva projektinomaisen opintojakso. Seminaarin kuluessa jokainen opiskelija laatii 15-20 sivuisen esitelmän itse valitsemastaan aiheesta ja osallistuu toisten opiskelijoiden seminaaritöiden kommentoimiseen. Tätä ennen kirjoitetaan suunnitelmapaperi, jossa arvioidaan esitelmän aihevalintaa, rajausta ja käytettävää kirjallisuutta. Lisäksi opiskelija laatii etukäteen alustavan sisällysluettelon sekä kommentoidun bibliografian. Oman suullisen seminaariesityksensä jälkeen opiskelija jatkaa esitelmänsä työstämistä opettajan ohjauksessa kandidaatin tutkielmaksi (YKA-224, 6 op). Tämä vaatii seminaarissa saatujen kommenttien ja ehdotusten sisällyttämisen lopulliseen tutkielmaan.

VALT- 601K Työelämäprojekti: Antropologit työelämässä					
Tuominen, Pekka	maanantai 10-12 keskiviikko 12-14	Osa kokoontumisista opetustilassa, osa zoomin välityksellä, ks. kurssisivu	I periodi 8.9.2021- 13.10.2021	suomi	


Kurssilla tutustumme antropologisen ajattelutavan etuihin työelämässä etupäässä ekskursioiden ja harjoitteiden avulla. Tavoitteena on esitellä antropologista osaamista moninaisissa työtehtävissä, tutustua soveltavan antropologian nykykirjallisuuteen ja oppia tunnistamaan omia vahvuuksia työelämässä. Kurssilla pohdimme antropologisen ymmärryksen etuja eri tilanteissa, erityisesti suhteessa työelämän tulevaisuuteen. Samalla kurssi tarjoaa laajan katsauksen antropologisiin käsityksiin työstä ja tuotannosta. Kurssivierailuilla käymme keskusteluita eri aloille sijoittuneiden antropologien kanssa.


Kurssi on suunnattu erityisesti antropologian oppisuunnasta kiinnostuneille kandidaattivaiheen opiskelijoille, mutta myös maisteriopiskelijat ja muut YHMu-opintosuunnan edustajat ovat lämpimästi tervetulleita.


[Kurssivaatimukset: kurssilukemisto, reflektiopaperi, työnhakumateriaalit](#)

YKA-222 YMA-3205		Comparative regional ethnography I/II Religion and Law: Anthropological Perspectives			
Hartikainen, Elina	Mondays 14-16 Wednesdays 10-12	Online Zoom ja Moodle	I periodi 8.9.2021- 20.10.2021	English	
<p>How is law constitutive of religion? How and why do particular religious practices or beliefs appear as legal problems in different legal systems? How do the rights of religious groups intersect or conflict with such other legally guaranteed rights as the right to free speech, the right to health, or minority rights? This course will explore how anthropologists have analyzed the intersections of religion and law in a variety of contemporary contexts, including Europe, the United States, the Middle East, and Latin America. Through close readings and class discussions of anthropological analyses of the legal management and constitution of religion, secularism, religious freedom, religious exemptions and accommodations, and religious law, students will gain an understanding of anthropological approaches to the study of religion and law. Particular attention will be paid to the kinds of questions anthropologists pose to this field of study, and how they go about answering these questions.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: required readings, active participation in class discussion, two group assignments, paper proposal (1-2p.), final research paper (5-8p. for BA students, 8-10p. for MA students).</i></p>					
YMV-A501		Johdatus antropologiaan (valinnainen kurssi)			
Forde, Maarit	Fri 14-16	Online Zoom and Moodle	I and II period 10.9. - 3.12	Suomi ja tarvittaessa englanti	
<p>This semester-long course is an introduction to anthropology as a comparative discipline that investigates human, social, and cultural diversity. We look into central methods, concepts, and questions developed in anthropology over the last century and explore their contemporary applications. The course supports students in gaining an understanding of anthropological approaches to research and a specifically anthropological lens or way of thinking, providing a multifaceted view to what one can do with anthropology. The course introduces influential thinkers and major areas of investigation in the history of the discipline and connects these to current projects, encouraging students to consider the genealogy of anthropological ideas as well as their contemporary relevance. This introductory course provides a foundation for more in-depth courses on research tradition, theory, and methods, but it also works as a stand-alone course for students at various stages of their degrees keen on getting a fundamental understanding of anthropology as a discipline.</p>					

II periodi


YK-112		Johdatus yhteiskunnallisen muutoksen tutkimukseen II			
Sakari Saaritsa Timo Kaartinen Juhana Aunesluoma Jari Eloranta	Ma 14-16 To 10-12 (Huom.: ensimmäinen kokous maanantaina 1.1. klo 10-12)	Online Zoom ja Moodle	II periodi 1.11.-9.12.2021	suomi englanti	
<p>Kurssi on jatkoa Yhteiskunnallisen muutoksen johdantokurssin luento-osaan ja se suoritetaan neljällä tieteenalakohtaisella kirjallisuuskuulustelulla. Jokaista kuulustelua edeltää tieteenalan opettajan pitämä johdatusluento ja keskustelu, jonka tarkoituksena on tukea tentteihin valmistautumista. Antropologian tenttikirja tällä kurssilla on Peter Metcalfin "Antropologia: johdatus perusteisiin".</p>					


YK-212		Yhteiskunta ja sosiaaliset suhteet			
Sarah Green	Monday and Thursday 12-14	Online Zoom and Moodle	II period 25.10. - 13.12.	englanti	
<p>Humans are fundamentally social beings, yet they are also antisocial: some people count as being related to each other, while others count as being unrelated, or even as being enemies or foreigners. How does that work in different parts of the world, and how has it changed over time? The course describes different kinds of social groups (society, community, nationality, etc) and diverse forms of social relations from around the world, particularly kinship, ethnicity and nationalism, and considers different ways of understanding the way people create relations with one another as well as separations from each other. Kinship has always been a core part of anthropology and it remains so today, because of the importance of families and family relations across the world. People have very different ways of recognising relatives, and these have been undergoing many changes in recent years: same sex marriage, surrogate births and artificial insemination, and diverse forms of adoption are just a few of the changes. What do these changes mean in kinship terms? How does kinship relate to ideas of community, civil society, nationality, ethnicity, or public culture, and how is kinship related to power structures and politics? Through a critical look at how social relations work, students will understand the diversity of social relations across the world and how these have changed over time.</p>					

YKA-221		Central Themes in Social and Cultural Anthropology			
Gross, Toomas	Tuesdays 12-14 Wednesdays 14-16	Online Zoom and Moodle	Ii periodi 2.11.2021- 15.12.2021	English, suomi	
<p>The main aim of this course is to provide students with a historical overview and comprehensive understanding of major theoretical perspectives in the discipline of anthropology up to roughly the 1970s.</p>					


The course works in tandem with the course Contemporary Anthropological Theory (YKA-225) taught during the fourth period (YKA-225 will pick up from where YKA-221 ends).


Course Requirements: participation in seminar discussions, short weekly reflection papers, final essay


YKA-221 YMA-3205					Comparative regional ethnography I/II Violence, conflict, and protest in Latin America
Gross, Toomas	Tuesdays 10-12 Thursdays 10-12	Online Zoom and Moodle	II period 2.11.2021- 16.12.2021	English, suomi	
<p>This course focuses on violence, conflict, and protest in Latin America. We will scrutinise the different forms that violence as well as resistance movements have taken in Latin American societies and seek to understand their social, cultural, and political causes and implications. After a general introduction to the topic of violence in Latin America we will discuss altogether eight distinct cases, either contemporary or from recent history. This enables us to cover a wide range of ethnographic material and to study the topics of violence and resistance from different analytical angles. Each case will be explored within its own historical and political context, while also drawing parallels between the cases and looking for common themes. The discussion will be primarily ethnography-driven, although the cases will also be addressed through the prism of selected theoretical approaches in anthropology. The course will end with taking the discussion back to a more general level and exploring various new trends of socio-political mobilisation in Latin America.</p> <p><i>Course Requirements: participation in seminar discussions, short weekly reflection papers, final essay</i></p>					


YK-226					Political Anthropology
Kaartinen, Timo	Tuesdays 16-18 Thursdays 16-18	Online Zoom and Moodle	II period 2.11.-9.12.	English	
<p>How do anthropologists analyze power, politics, and contemporary political spheres? What is cultural about politics and what is political about culture? This course provides an overview of the history of ideas in political anthropology, but the primary focus of the course is on contemporary anthropology. We discuss such concepts as “power”, “resistance”, “governance”, “law”, “sovereignty”, and “state” and follow their different interpretations and uses in anthropological scholarship. After the first part of the course, we move to explore the scholarly debates on contemporary fields of politics including the anthropology of democracy, state, citizenship, and publics. In the third part of the course, our focus is on politics as activity, ranging from the micro-politics of self-presentation and interaction to large-scale social movements mobilized around environmental and justice issues and to the politics of knowledge, or measuring, classifying and standardizing life in the interest of controlling it. The class format will include lectures, films, group discussions and student presentations.. The class format will include lectures, films, group discussions and student presentations.</p> <p><i>Course Requirements: participation in discussions, writing of two reflection papers (1-2 pages based on weekly readings of selected lectures), a short final essay (4-5 pages), and a book presentation.</i></p>					

III periodi


YKA-221 YMA-3205 Comparative regional ethnography I/II: Cloth and Clothing in Africa					
Pietilä, Tuulikki	TBA	TBA	III period 17.1.-6.3.22	English/ Finnish	
<p>This course focuses on issues of cloth and clothing in Africa. We will study some of the flows of fabrics, styles and clothes to and from the continent during different historical periods. As importantly, we will study the role of clothing in the making of subjectivities and socio-cultural meanings and distinctions in various parts and eras in the continent. Ethnographic texts on these issues will be juxtaposed with relevant theoretical discussions on the body, clothing, and the self; fashion, style, and appropriation; and cloth and clothing as a reflection and revision of diverse social and global orders. <u>This course will meet twice a week, the exact times will be announced later.</u></p> <p><i>Course requirements: required readings, an oral presentation, active participation in the class discussions, 4 reflection papers, final essay.</i></p>					


YKA-223 Antropologian kandidaattiseminaari					
Gross, Toomas	TBA	TBA	III ja IV periodi	suomi	
<p>Kandidaattiseminaarissa harjoitellaan tieteellistä argumentaatiota niin kirjallisesti kuin suullisestikin. Seminaari on ensimmäinen itsenäiseen työskentelyyn perustuva projektinomainen opintojakso. Seminaarin kuluessa jokainen opiskelija laatii 15-20 sivuisen esitelmän itse valitsemastaan aiheesta ja osallistuu toisten opiskelijoiden seminaaritöiden kommentoimiseen. Tätä ennen kirjoitetaan suunnitelmapaperi, jossa arvioidaan esitelmän aihevalintaa, rajausta ja käytettävää kirjallisuutta. Lisäksi opiskelija laatii etukäteen alustavan sisällysluettelon sekä kommentoidun bibliografian. Oman suullisen seminaariesityksensä jälkeen opiskelija jatkaa esitelmänsä työstämistä opettajan ohjauksessa kandidaatin tutkielmaksi (YKA-224, 6 op). Tämä vaatii seminaarissa saatujen kommenttien ja ehdotusten sisällyttämisen lopulliseen tutkielmaan.</p> <p><i>Kurssivaatimukset: ideapaperi, kommentoitu bibliografia, esitelmä, opponointi, osallistuminen seminaarikeskusteluihin</i></p>					

YKA-225 Contemporary Anthropological Theory					
Kajanus, Anni	TBA	TBA	III period	English	
<p>This course explores anthropological research themes and theoretical debates from 1980s onwards, including, for example, the Marxist and feminist critiques of classic approaches, and poststructuralism. The course will also discuss the most recent research themes and theoretical debates in anthropology. On completing the course, the student is able to understand the key approaches in contemporary anthropological theory, from the 1980s to most recent developments. The student will be able to historically situate the conceptual approaches, describe the differences between them, and will understand the way anthropological research areas, themes and conceptual approaches have developed over time in relation to each other. The student is aware of the political and ethical issues that have arisen about the practice of anthropological research.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: required readings, active participation in class discussions, two analytical papers, one paper on arguments in anthropology.</i></p>					

YK-263 Doing Ethnography					
Gross, Toomas	TBA	TBA	III period	suomi English	
<p>This course introduces students to the major steps of “doing ethnography,” approaching anthropological research as a process. “Ethnography” is here understood both as a method and as the (conventional) end-product of anthropological scrutiny, i.e. a text. We will discuss the (oft-overlooked) relevance of the researcher’s background for the entire scholarly enterprise, scrutinise various topics related to entering, being in, and leaving the field, as well as discuss the styles, genres, and challenges of ethnographic writing. Particular attention will also be paid to the themes of research ethics (especially the political and historical reality of its “essence”) as well as the embodied nature of doing fieldwork.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: active participation in seminars; required readings; completion of a group “research project” (based on weekly assignments of both theoretical and practical nature); reflection papers</i></p>					



IV periodi

YK-218 Uskomukset, asenteet ja kosmologiat					
Gross, Toomas	TBA	TBA	IV period	English, suomi	
<p>This course is primarily meant for the (1st and 2nd year) students of the Society and Change BA program and its main aim is to complement other joint BA-level courses of that program by approaching social change from the perspective of religion, and vice versa – to scrutinise religious change in the context of more general socio-cultural processes and dynamics. Since the topic of the relationship between religious and social change as such is quite broad, the focus of this course is narrowed down to what generally have been called “New Religious Movements.” The geographical context for the discussion will be mainly (but not exclusively) the so-called “Western” societies. The more specific themes to be covered during the course include: 1) theories of “sect,” “cult,” and various other categories of religious communities, as well as different typologies of religious movements; 2) the multi-faceted relationship between (new) religious movements, “modernity,” and social change; 3) the lived experiences of “ordinary” believers, their conversion and apostasy narratives; 4) the thematic nexus of religious specialists (especially prophets and gurus), charisma, and authority; 5) the contested relationship between (new) religious movements and violence; 6) the relationship between (new forms of) spirituality and secularization. An overarching aim when addressing all these themes is to link religious change to wider social and cultural transformations in modern societies.</p> <p><i>Course Requirements: participation in seminar discussions, short weekly reflection papers, final essay</i></p>					

YKA-222 Comparative regional ethnography I/II YMA-3205 Russian Christianity: history, ideology, culture					
Mikeshin, Igor	TBA	Online Zoom and Moodle	IV period 2021	English	
<p>This interdisciplinary course focuses on the historical, ideological, cultural, and political role of Christianity in contemporary Russia. A specific emphasis will be put on the rich diversity of Russian Christian context, dominant and marginal discourses, the role of Christianity in a patriotic, conservative (gender and family), and secular narratives, and the methodological and theoretical challenges of studying contemporary Russian-speaking Christianity.</p> <p>This course is a part of Expertise in Russian and Eastern European Studies (ExpREES) Masters program. <i>Requirements: Active participation in class discussions, 1 final essay, reflection papers</i></p>					


Maisterin tutkintoon kuuluvat kurssit


I periodi


YKA-222 YMA-3205	Comparative regional ethnography I/II Religion and Law: Anthropological Perspectives				
Hartikainen, Elina	Mondays 14-16 Wednesdays 10-12	Online Zoom and Moodle	I period 8.9.2021- 20.10.2021	English	
<p>How is law constitutive of religion? How and why do particular religious practices or beliefs appear as legal problems in different legal systems? How do the rights of religious groups intersect or conflict with such other legally guaranteed rights as the right to free speech, the right to health, or minority rights? This course will explore how anthropologists have analyzed the intersections of religion and law in a variety of contemporary contexts, including Europe, the United States, the Middle East, and Latin America. Through close readings and class discussions of anthropological analyses of the legal management and constitution of religion, secularism, religious freedom, religious exemptions and accommodations, and religious law, students will gain an understanding of anthropological approaches to the study of religion and law. Particular attention will be paid to the kinds of questions anthropologists pose to this field of study, and how they go about answering these questions.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: required readings, active participation in class discussion, two group assignments, paper proposal (1-2p.), final research paper (5-8p. for BA students, 8-10p. for MA students).</i></p>					
YMA-3209 YMA-3210	Maisteriseminaari I/ II MA thesis seminar I / II				
Pietilä, Tuulikki	maanantai 14-16	Online Zoom and Moodle	I ja II periodi 13.9.- 13.12.21	suomi, englanti	
<p>I-seminaarissa opiskelija kirjoittaa pro gradun eli maisterintutkielman tutkimussuunnitelman ja esittelee sen seminaarissa. II-seminaarissa käsitellään tekeillä olevan pro gradu -tutkielman osa, yleensä yksi sen aineistoluvuista. Lisäksi jokainen osallistuja toimii yhden esitelmän keskustelijana/opponoijana ja osallistuu aktiivisesti muiden esitelmien kommentointiin. I- ja II-seminaari opetetaan yhdistettynä, joten molempiin on mahdollista osallistua joko syys- tai kevätlukukaudella.</p> <p>During the first seminar (two teaching periods) the student is expected to write and present a research proposal for their MA thesis. During the second seminar (two teaching periods), each student will present a thesis-related research text, typically a chapter to be commented by the other participants. In addition, in both seminars each student acts as an opponent to another student's presentation and participates actively on commenting other presentations. NB! The papers can be written in Finnish, Swedish, or English, and the working language of the seminar will be based on the registered participants.</p>					


YM-301		Yhteiskuntateorian suuret kysymykset			
Barry Gills Gomez del Moral, Alejandro Haara, Heikki Pietilä, Tuulikki	<u>Luennot:</u> Ti ja to: 16-18 (alkaen 14.9.)	Online Zoom ja Moodle	I periodi 14.9.-7.10.21	suomi, ruotsi, englanti	
	<u>Ryhmät:</u> Ma ja ti: 9-12 (alkaen 20.9.)				
<p>Kurssilla käytetään englantia ja kotimaisia kieliä. Jos kirjoitat loppuesseen englanniksi, saat merkinnän englanninkielisestä suorituksesta. Kurssilla käsitellään yhteiskunnallisen muutoksen keskeisten kysymysten teoreettisia määrittelyjä ja ratkaisuja koulutusohjelman neljän eri tieteenalan näkökulmasta. Lisäksi keskustellaan valittujen, keskeisten yhteiskuntateorioiden soveltamisesta ja muovautumisesta antropologiassa, globaalissa kehitystutkimuksessa, poliittisessa historiassa ja talous- ja sosiaalhistoriassa sekä poikkitieteellisissä lähestymistavoissa. <u>Luennot ovat 2 krt/vk ja ryhmäkeskustelut 2 krt/vk.</u></p> <p><i>Kurssivaatimukset: osallistuminen ryhmäkeskusteluihin, ennakkolukeminen luento-osuuksiin, reflektiotehtävät ja loppuessee (12-15 sivua).</i></p>					


II periodi

YMA-3206		Advanced anthropological theory			
Patricia Scalco	Tuesdays 14-16	Online Zoom and Moodle	II period 2.11. - 16.12	English	
	Thursdays 14-16				
<p>This course explores theories and debates that inspire and inform foundational principles of anthropological analysis. Throughout the term we will focus on theoretical propositions in anthropology on themes such as agency, structure, subjectivity, history, social change, power, culture, and the politics of representation. These broad thematic areas will be explored against a timeline tracing some of their respective key concepts and their trajectory into the 21st century. Students will become familiar with historical, epistemological and biographical aspects influencing the intellectual trajectory of key theorists informing topical questions in anthropological theory as introduced by those broad thematic fields and, in light of that, be able to identify major changes and ‘turns’ in the discipline and their implication for some of the contemporary questions posed within the discipline. The objective is to provide a broad understanding of the contributions of the main theoretical and methodological “traditions” of anthropology’s constitution as an autonomous discipline while taking into account the contexts within which those traditions emerged and their significance for anthropological theory in the 21st century.</p>					


YKA-221 YMA-3205	Comparative regional ethnography I/II Violence, conflict, and protest in Latin America				
Gross, Toomas	Tuesdays 10-12 Thursdays 10-12	Online Zoom and Moodle	II periodi 2.11.2021- 16.12.2021	English, suomi	
<p>This course focuses on violence, conflict, and protest in Latin America. We will scrutinise the different forms that violence as well as resistance movements have taken in Latin American societies and seek to understand their social, cultural, and political causes and implications. After a general introduction to the topic of violence in Latin America we will discuss altogether eight distinct cases, either contemporary or from recent history. This enables us to cover a wide range of ethnographic material and to study the topics of violence and resistance from different analytical angles. Each case will be explored within its own historical and political context, while also drawing parallels between the cases and looking for common themes. The discussion will be primarily ethnography-driven, although the cases will also be addressed through the prism of selected theoretical approaches in anthropology. The course will end with taking the discussion back to a more general level and exploring various new trends of socio-political mobilisation in Latin America.</p> <p><i>Course Requirements: participation in seminar discussions, short weekly reflection papers, final essay</i></p>					

YMA-3204	Tutkimusala IV: Persoona ja sosiaaliset suhteet				
Kajanus, Anni	Tuesdays 12-14 Fridays 12-14	Zoom & Moodle	II period 2.11.2021- 17.12.2021	English	
<p>The course focuses on anthropological theories and approaches to personhood in different cultural, social, bureaucratic, embodied, political and material contexts. It explores questions such as: Who – and what – is a person? What constitutes personhood: is it something that all people are born with, something that we acquire via our relationships to others, or something that we merely perform? At what exact moment is a person constituted, and what happens to personhood when a person dies? Are animals ‘persons’ – and if not, why exactly? What is ultimately the link between persons, personhood and our shared humanity – whatever that is constituted of? The course opens up different anthropological perspectives on what constitutes a person: not merely a human individual, but a social being. On completing this study unit, the student will be able to discuss anthropological theories of personhood as well as analyze and compare conceptions of personhood in diverse materials. The successful student will also be familiar with key themes in the anthropological study of kinship.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: required readings, active participation in class discussions, two reflection papers, final essay.</i></p>					

YMA-3207 Etnografisen vertailun metodologia/ The Methodology of Ethnographic Comparison				
Pietilä, Tuulikki	Torstai 12-14 Pe 10-12	TBA	II ja III periodi 4.11.-16.12.21 20.1-6.3.22	English/ Finnish
				
<p>Menetelmäkurssi perehdyttää opiskelijan antropologisen tutkimuksen teon prosessiin. Kurssilla luetaan kenttätöihin liittyvää metodologista ja oppihistoriallista kirjallisuutta, jonka kautta tutustutaan kenttätöiden historiaan ja muutoksiin sekä erilaisiin kenttätötilanteisiin, aineistoihin ja tutkimusmenetelmiin. Lisäksi tutkimusprosesseja ja materiaalin keruuta ja tulkintaa opiskellaan käytännön harjoituksin, joita tehdään sekä pienryhmissä että itsenäisesti. Kurssin tavoite on antropologisen tutkimuksen työvaiheisiin tutustuminen ja tärkeimpien menetelmien sekä tutkimusraportoinnin harjoittelu.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: course readings; several assignments related to the planning and carrying out a small research project that is done in small groups (with each group selecting their own research topic, and some of the assignments evaluated individually, others on the group level); oral presentation of the conducted research and its results; active participation in the course discussions, based on the readings, throughout the course.</i></p>				


YMA-3201 Tutkimusala I: Talous ja arvo Research area I: Economy and Value				
Pietilä, Tuulikki	Keskiviikko 14-16 Perjantai 10- 12	Online Zoom and Moodle	II periodi 3.11.-10.12. 2021	English/ Finnish
				
<p>Kurssilla tutustutaan antropologiseen keskusteluun taloudesta ja arvosta. Kirjallisuuden pohjalta käsittelemme seuraavanlaisia kysymyksiä: Mikä on taloudellisen toiminnan suhde kulttuurisiin merkityksiin, sosiaaliseen järjestykseen, valtarakenteisiin ja moraaliin? Mikä motivoi taloudellista toimintaa? Onko taloudellinen arvo eri asia kuin kulttuuriset arvot? Ovatko yhteiskunnat ja kulttuurit näiden suhteen toisistaan hyvinkin erilaisia ja kuinka niitä voidaan verrata keskenään? Kurssilla perehdytään tutkijoiden erilaisiin näkemyksiin ja tutkimustuloksiin arvon muodostumisesta eri paikoin maailmaa. Tavoitteena on antaa opiskelijalle ymmärrys keskeisistä talousantropologisista arvoista koskevista teorioista ja tutkimuksista ja harjaannuttaa opiskelijaa soveltamaan tietoja omassa havainnoinnissaan ja tutkimuksessaan.</p> <p><i>Kurssivaatimukset: oheiskirjallisuuden lukeminen, aktiivinen osallistuminen kurssikeskusteluihin, reflektiopaperit, suullinen esitelmä (yksin tai ryhmätöinä), loppupöytäkirja.</i></p>				

III periodi

YMA-3207 Etnografisen vertailun metodologia/ The Methodology of Ethnographic Comparison					
Pietilä, Tuulikki	Torstai 12-14	TBA	II ja III periodi 4.11.-16.12.21 20.1-6.3.22	English/ Finnish	


Menetelmäkurssi perehdyttää opiskelijan antropologisen tutkimuksen teon prosessiin. Kurssilla luetaan kenttätöyöhön liittyvää metodologista ja oppihistoriallista kirjallisuutta, jonka kautta tutustutaan kenttätöyön historiaan ja muutoksiin sekä erilaisiin kenttätöyötilanteisiin, aineistoihin ja tutkimusmenetelmiin. Lisäksi tutkimusprosesseja ja materiaalin keruuta ja tulkintaa opiskellaan käytännön harjoituksin, joita tehdään sekä pienryhmissä että itsenäisesti. Kurssin tavoite on antropologisen tutkimuksen työvaiheisiin tutustuminen ja tärkeimpien menetelmien sekä tutkimusraportoinnin harjoittelu. Huom: kurssi sijoittuu periodeille 2-3.


Course requirements: course readings; several assignments related to the planning and carrying out a small research project that is done in small groups (with each group selecting their own research topic, and some of the assignments evaluated individually, others on the group level); oral presentation of the conducted research and its results; active participation in the course discussions, based on the readings, throughout the course.

YKA-221 YMA-3205 Comparative regional ethnography I/II: Cloth and Clothing in Africa					
Pietilä, Tuulikki	TBA	TBA	III periodi 17.1.-6.3.22	English/ Finnish	


This course focuses on issues of cloth and clothing in Africa. We will study some of the flows of fabrics, styles and clothes to and from the continent during different historical periods. As importantly, we will study the role of clothing in the making of subjectivities and socio-cultural meanings and distinctions in various parts and eras in the continent. Ethnographic texts on these issues will be juxtaposed with relevant theoretical discussions on the body, clothing, and the self; fashion, style, and appropriation; and cloth and clothing as a reflection and revision of diverse social and global orders. This course will meet twice a week, the exact times to be announced later.


Course requirements: required readings, an oral presentation, active participation in the class discussions, 4 reflection papers, final essay.

YMA-3209 YMA-3210 Maisteriseminaari I/II					
Sarah Green	TBA	TBA	III and IV period	English/Finnish	
<p>I-seminaarissa opiskelija kirjoittaa pro gradun eli maisterintutkielman tutkimussuunnitelman ja esittelee sen seminaarissa. II-seminaarissa käsitellään tekeillä olevan pro gradu -tutkielman osa, normaalisti yhden aineistoluvuista. Oman työn esittelyn lisäksi kummankin seminaarin suorittamiseen sisältyy jonkin toisen esitelmän opponointi sekä aktiivinen osallistuminen muista esitelmiä koskevaan keskusteluun ja kommentointiin. I- ja II-seminaari opetetaan yhdistettynä. Molempiin on siis mahdollista osallistua syys- ja kevätlukukaudella. In the first seminar (two teaching periods) the student is expected to write and present a research proposal for his/her MA thesis. In the second seminar (two teaching periods), the student will present a research text, typically a chapter of a thesis under preparation, for comments. In addition both seminars involve acting as an opponent to a presentation by a fellow student and active participation in commenting other presentations. NB! The papers may be written in Finnish, Swedish, or English, and the working language of the seminar will be based on registered participants.</p>					

YMA-3208 Developing anthropological questions					
Metsola, Lalli	TBA	TBA	III period	Finnish / English	
<p>This course discusses the (re-)formulation of anthropological research topics, methodologies and theoretical debates through presentations of ongoing research projects. It will specifically focus on the processes of conceptualizing research questions and tying one's research material to existing theoretical discussions to contribute to them. The main material and examples for the course discussions will be brought by scholars who currently do research in the unit of Social and Cultural Anthropology at the University of Helsinki. On completion of the course, students gain understanding on how anthropologists construct research questions, use methodologies and analyze their data to contribute to theoretical discussions. Students will also enhance their capacity to evaluate the relevance of recent ethnographic work for advancing anthropological knowledge and understanding.</p>					

IV periodi

YMA-3203		Theme III: Cosmology and Knowledge			
Forde, Maarit	TBA	TBA	IV period 17.03.- 05.05.21	English	
<p>This advanced seminar investigates culturally diverse ways of conceptualising the universe and people's location within it. We delve into ethnographic studies of cosmology and knowledge in three broad and overlapping thematic fields: 1) environment, 2) spirits, selves, and relations, and 3) power. Across the three themes, we consider cosmologies as changing and contested ways of knowing about the world in varying contexts, such as colonialism, revolution, capitalism, disaster, migration, ritual, medicine, and conversion. This course aims at providing students with the tools for recognizing and analysing the diverse ways in which people construct, imagine, and order their worlds. It encourages students to reflect on the politics and ethics of engaging with different cosmological and epistemic views. On a more general level, the course supports MA students in developing skills and confidence in reading and analysing ethnography as well as discussing and writing about complex anthropological ideas. Seminar sessions consist of lectures, discussions, assignments, and audio-visual material. The course is designed for MA students majoring in Social and Cultural Anthropology and for students in the COS Master's Program. The maximum is 15 participants; if there is space, students from other relevant MA programmes can be accepted.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: participation in class discussions, brief response papers on course materials, a short presentation based on assigned materials, and a final research paper engaging course readings.</i></p>					


YKA-222 YMA-3205		Comparative regional ethnography I/II Russian Christianity: history, ideology, culture			
Mikeshin, Igor	TBA	Online Zoom and Moodle	IV period 2021	English	

This interdisciplinary course focuses on the historical, ideological, cultural, and political role of Christianity in contemporary Russia. A specific emphasis will be put on the rich diversity of Russian Christian context, dominant and marginal discourses, the role of Christianity in a patriotic, conservative (gender and family), and secular narratives, and the methodological and theoretical challenges of studying contemporary Russian-speaking Christianity.


This course is a part of Expertise in Russian and Eastern European Studies (ExpREES) Masters program.
Requirements: Active participation in class discussions, 1 final essay, reflection papers

Valinnaiset kurssit


I periodi

YMV-A501		Johdatus antropologiaan			
Forde, Maarit	Fri 14-16	Online Zoom and Moodle	I and II period 10.9. - 3.12	Suomi ja tarvittaessa englanti	


This semester-long course is an introduction to anthropology as a comparative discipline that investigates human, social, and cultural diversity. We look into central methods, concepts, and questions developed in anthropology over the last century and explore their contemporary applications. The course supports students in gaining an understanding of anthropological approaches to research and a specifically anthropological lens or way of thinking, providing a multifaceted view to what one can do with anthropology. The course introduces influential thinkers and major areas of investigation in the history of the discipline and connects these to current projects, encouraging students to consider the genealogy of anthropological ideas as well as their contemporary relevance. This introductory course provides a foundation for more in-depth courses on research tradition, theory, and methods, but it also works as a stand-alone course for students at various stages of their degrees keen on getting a fundamental understanding of anthropology as a discipline.

YKA-222 YMA-3205		Comparative regional ethnography I/II Religion and Law: Anthropological Perspectives			
Hartikainen, Elina	Mondays 14-16 Wednesdays 10-12	Online Zoom and Moodle	I period 8.9.2021- 20.10.2021	English	
<p>How is law constitutive of religion? How and why do particular religious practices or beliefs appear as legal problems in different legal systems? How do the rights of religious groups intersect or conflict with such other legally guaranteed rights as the right to free speech, the right to health, or minority rights? This course will explore how anthropologists have analyzed the intersections of religion and law in a variety of contemporary contexts, including Europe, the United States, the Middle East, and Latin America. Through close readings and class discussions of anthropological analyses of the legal management and constitution of religion, secularism, religious freedom, religious exemptions and accommodations, and religious law, students will gain an understanding of anthropological approaches to the study of religion and law. Particular attention will be paid to the kinds of questions anthropologists pose to this field of study, and how they go about answering these questions.</p> <p><i>Course requirements: required readings, active participation in class discussion, two group assignments, paper proposal (1-2p.), final research paper (5-8p. for BA students, 8-10p. for MA students).</i></p>					

II periodi


YMV-A501		Johdatus antropologiaan			
Forde, Maarit	Fri 14-16	Online Zoom and Moodle	I and II period 10.9. - 3.12	Suomi ja tarvittaessa englanti	
<p>This semester-long course is an introduction to anthropology as a comparative discipline that investigates human, social, and cultural diversity. We look into central methods, concepts, and questions developed in anthropology over the last century and explore their contemporary applications. The course supports students in gaining an understanding of anthropological approaches to research and a specifically anthropological lens or way of thinking, providing a multifaceted view to what one can do with anthropology. The course introduces influential thinkers and major areas of investigation in the history of the discipline and connects these to current projects, encouraging students to consider the genealogy of anthropological ideas as well as their contemporary relevance. This introductory course provides a foundation for more in-depth courses on research tradition, theory, and methods, but it also works as a stand-alone course for students at various stages of their degrees keen on getting a fundamental understanding of anthropology as a discipline.</p>					

III periodi

YMV-A502 (Re)locating anthropological theory: ethnocentrism, eurocentrism and (de)colonial tensions in the 21st century					
Scalco, Patricia	TBA	TBA	III period	English	

This course is a reflection on recently reinvigorated debates on structural inequalities (race/ethnicity being prominent but not an exclusive focus) situating them against the backdrop of the various relocations (of space and time) taking place mostly but not exclusively in the 21st century. Examining examples from academic and media sources, the course explores efforts towards de-colonizing anthropology from examples of these debates as they unfold in Europe/Mediterranean region (Finland, UK, Turkey) and North and South America (USA, Canada and Brazil). Drawing on ethnographic and theoretical sources seeking to advance the de-colonial agenda in anthropological knowledge production in those different contexts, the course invites students to reflect on the themes proposed from the perspective of their multiple positionalities, but also, from the perspective of the multiple (relative) locations they inhabit. Besides increasing students' familiarity with key debates and challenges articulated by de-colonial efforts in knowledge production, the course will also invite students to reflect on ethnocentrism, eurocentrism and empire-colony tensions as they intersect in crosslocated contexts.

IV periodi

YMV-A504 Comparative regional ethnography I/II Russian Christianity: history, ideology, culture					
Mikeshin, Igor	TBA	Via Zoom and Moodle	IV period	English	

This interdisciplinary course focuses on the historical, ideological, cultural, and political role of Christianity in contemporary Russia. A specific emphasis will be put on the rich diversity of Russian Christian context, dominant and marginal discourses, the role of Christianity in a patriotic, conservative (gender and family), and secular narratives, and the methodological and theoretical challenges of studying contemporary Russian-speaking Christianity.

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Requirements: Active participation in class discussions, 1 final essay, reflection papers