

COURSE SYLLABUS

ANT 153 Physical Anthropology

CREDIT HOURS: 4.00

CONTACT HOURS: 60.00

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

A study of humans from a biological perspective: genetics, comparative behavior of human and nonhuman primates, human growth and development, the concept of "race" and racial variation, fossil evidence concerning human evolution. (Satisfies non-lab natural science requirement.)

PREREQUISITES: NONE

EXPECTED COMPETENCIES:

Upon completion of this course, the student will:

- 1. Increase awareness that humans are a part of the natural world.
- 2. Increase appreciation of the conditions upon which human survival depends.
- 3. Understand the concept of natural selection.
- 4. Understand how natural selection has influence the course of human evolution.
- 5. Understand the basic similarities between the human animal and other forms of animal life, particularly the non-human primates.
- 6. Understand the basic differences between the human animal and other forms of animal life particularly the non-human primates.
- 7. Understand the basic generic processes and the fossil evidence concerning human evolution.

ASSESSMENT METHODS:

Student performance may be assessed by examination, quizzes, case studies, oral conversation, group discussion, oral presentations. The instructor reserves the option to employ one or more of these assessment methods during the course.

GRADING SCALE:

90%-100% = A 80%-89.9% = B 70%-79.9% = C 60%-69.9% = D <60% = E