Examiner guidelines ANTH4150

About the course

Through the course "ethnography in practice", students develop an understanding of the range of fields that anthropological perspectives can be applied to in day-to-day work. Students are also encouraged to reflect on how their own research project can form the basis for developing a future career in both academic and non-academic contexts. Towards this end, the course explores the use of anthropological theory and method in non-academic, applied contexts, as well as the careers and skills the anthropological practitioners can develop in a range of business, non-profit, and other work contexts.

The teaching

The teaching has consisted of a series of guest lectures by practitioners as well as two workshops and shorter lectures by the course convenor. The curriculum has been discussed during the lectures, but has mostly functioned as background readings.

About the exam

The exam is a reflection paper of app. 2,500 words (plus/minus 10%). The students may write on a topic of their own choice, provided that it relates to the overall learning outcomes of the course. This gives the students considerable freedom when it comes to choosing what to write about. They may, for example, use their reflection paper to hone their skills in formulating what anthropological knowledge is good for. Given that the students attending this course are about to embark on fieldwork, they may also dedicate their paper to reflecting on the different ways in which they can strategically make their MA-project and fieldwork experience relevant and attractive to different sectors of the labour market. The range of available options is considerable. Nonetheless, the chosen topic must relate to the broad theme of "ethnography in practice", as outlined on the course webpage.

In their reflection paper, students *must* use the curriculum. They *must* also use (parts of) the 200 pages of self-chosen literature. The reflection paper should be accompanied by a separate list specifying these 200 pages. The students can also draw on the guest lectures and workshops in their reflection papers.

The exam is a pass/fail exam. This scale is applied as an independent scale with only two possible results and is not connected to the letter grades. In order to pass the exam, students are required to:

- Have identified a topic that falls within the theme of "ethnography in practice"
- Actively use the curriculum and the self-chosen literature to discuss their chosen topic
- Demonstrate some degree of independent thinking and reflection in doing so