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DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Theoric Models in Anthropology

2223-1-F0101R002

Course title

Theoretical Approaches in Social Anthropology

Topics and course structure

Main theoretical issues, authors and schools in the history of social/cultural anthropology will be presented in this course. Special attention will be given to the emergence of modernity in non-western societies and the effects this has had on social/cultural anthropology.

Objectives

Students will enhance their curiosity about the world, love of learning and a sense of wonder for cultural diversity. Through class debates they will also improve their communication skills. Aim of the course is a better grasping of the role of social and cultural diversities in the contemporary world, as well as a critical assessment of the constructed character of social norms and conventions. Further goal of the course is the awareness of the paradoxes and the epistemological problems inherent anthropological knowledge and field research.

Methodologies

Lectures, films, ethnographic documentaries, class debates on specific topics emerging from assigned reading materials, talks given by experts in specific fields.

Online and offline teaching materials

Hints and suggestions for films, books and ethnographic documentaries are to be found in the Avvisi section of elearning.unimib.

Programme and references for attending students

An English bibliography is available for Erasmus incoming students.

Programme and references for non-attending students

As for students who attend classes. An English bibliography is available for Erasmus incoming students.

Assessment methods

Oral exam (three books: Fabietti, Remotti, and a book chosen from the list above; see the Programma e bibliografia / Programme and references section), or oral exam (two books: Fabietti and Remotti) plus written paper. Please ask for instruction: luigi.urru@unimib.it

Evalutation criteria: thoroughness of preparation, clarity of language, ability to connecting various topics, and critical approach .

Office hours

Building U6, fourth floor, room 4126:
Thursday 16th February 2023, h. 2-3 pm;
Thursday 23rd March, h. 9-10 am;
Thursday 20th April, h. 8-9.

Programme validity

Teaching programmes are valid for two academic years.

Course tutors and assistants

Sustainable Development Goals

SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES | CLIMATE ACTION