

INTRODUCTION TO ANTHROPOLOGY

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Hi, and welcome to ANT 2000, Introduction to Anthropology. I'm EJ Ford, your instructor.

Anthropology is an exciting and fun field that examines the questions all of us have asked at one time or another. Why do people behave as they do? Why are things the way that they are? Could they be different here or someplace else?

Anthropology is the study of the human species and its immediate ancestors. We're interested in how humans eat, breathe, sleep, procreate, farm, forage, conserve, exploit, fight, woo mates, mark status, bury their dead, pick their leaders, make a living, worship their gods, and evolve to meet new circumstances. In short, every aspect of the human experience.

This online class will be based on collaboration and interaction. You'll be learning about humans by putting together a puzzle of your own making. You'll build an imaginary society using the principles you learn in this class. We think you'll enjoy it.

I'm excited about this term. I hope you are, too.