People and Cultures of the Pacific  
Fall 1993

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Class Hours: F. 2:00-5:00pm  
Office Hours: W.  9:00-10:00am  
1:00-2:00pm  
F. 1:00-2:00pm

Grading:  
Map Test 5%  
Mid-term Exam 1 25%  
Mid-term Exam 2 25%  
Final Exam 40%  
Class Participation 5%

Description of the Course: This Course introduces the three major culture areas (Melanesia, Micronesia, Polynesia) in the Pacific region and focuses on pre-contact traditional social religious beliefs and practices.

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4. 10/29
Melanesia: Kinship, Social Organization; Gender.


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Melanesia: Subsistence Activities; Exchange;


@ Hu, Tai-li pp. 44-59.

6. 11/8 (M.; 9-10am) Leadership


7. 11/9 (T.; 12-1pm) Warfare, Religion

8. 11/19 Video: The Asmat of New Guinea. (28 mins)

9. 11/26 **Review**
   Micronesia: Kinship, Social Organization
   
   
   
   

10. 12/3 **Mid-term Exam 1**
    Micronesia: Subsistence Activities
    
    

11. 12/10 Micronesia: Subsistence Activities; Political Organization; Religion. **Review**
    
    
    
    

12. 12/17 **Mid-term Exam 2**
Polynesia: Kinship, Social Organization


13. 12/24 Polynesia: Kinship, Social Organization; Subsistence Activities


14. 12/31 Political Stratification


15. 1/7 Polynesia: Religion; Mana, Human Sacrifice, Marae, and Tabu Video: Trobriand Cricket (58 mins.)


16. 1/14 Western Contact

Review


1/17 (M.) Final Exam