Syllabus Part 1: Course Objectives, Assessment, and Policies

ANT 3173 Archaeology of Sex

Section 0M01

Spring 2021 (3 credits)

1. Course Information

Modality: M Mode

Dates: January 11-May 4, 2021

Class Location: CSB 0101

Class Times: Tuesdays from 10:30-11:45 AM

Prerequisites: None

2. Instructor and GTA Information

Instructor: Dr. Pete Sinelli

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Cell phone: (407) 575-6456

Email: Peter.sinelli@ucf.edu

2a. Contacting the professor:

Virtual office hours will also be held at the times below. During these hours I will be online at my computer. This ensures a faster response

(within 15 minutes) than I might be able to provide outside of office hours (within 1 business day).

- Tuesdays 8:30-10:15 AM and 12:00-1:15 PM (3 hours)
- Thursdays 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (3 Hours)

In office hours you can ask questions about the material or anthropology in general. You can also contact me during office hours to set up a time for a personal phone or zoom call if you want to discuss grades or other privacy-protected matters.

Methods for contacting me during office hours:

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    - Send me an email at peter.sinelli@ucf.edu or message me through Webcourses (during office hours, I will respond quickly!)
    - Based on your needs, we can schedule a zoom or phone call (if you're sick of looking at me).

Outside of office hours students may contact me through these additional means, and any messages will be returned within 1 business day.

- Via Webcourses message or the UCF email above.
- During **office hours** via the office phone or cell phone numbers above.
- During **non-business hours** via text to the cell phone number above.

2b. GTAs:

Emily Barron and George Micheletti

Virtual Office Hours where you may contact the TAs via Webcourses message and receive a response within 15 minutes:

Emily: Mondays 10:00 AM -12:00 PM

George: Wednesdays 1:00-3:00 PM

3. Course Description:

This course explores cross-cultural concepts of sex, sexuality, and sexual intercourse throughout human history from an archaeological perspective. The course begins with an introduction to the key concepts, methods, and terms anthropologists employ to study human sexuality in past cultures. The second section discusses the reproductive behavior of modern primates and compares these to the evolutionary forces that led to the emergence of Homo sapiens as uniquely sexual beings. The third section examines the sex, sexuality, and sexual practices of many cultures throughout history and around the world. Each discussion is based upon the direct archaeological evidence, with an emphasis on the material culture, art, and artifacts that directly inform archaeologists about the nature of and attitudes toward sex, sex roles, sexuality, and sex acts in past cultures.

4. Learning Outcomes:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the evolutionary history of human sexuality as distinct from that of other primates.
- Display knowledge of and an appreciation for the diversity of human sexual expression as practiced by societies and cultures across time and space.
- Comprehend how understanding the archaeological past is critical to appreciating contemporary human behavior.

5. Course Schedule:

The Course Schedule that is posted to Webcourses after this syllabus contains all of the assignments and due dates.

6. Course Evaluation:

Your grade in this course will be based out of **500 total points**. You can calculate your grade by dividing the total number of points you have earned by the total points possible. Grades on all assessments will only be posted online in Webcourses.

6a. Assessments and Point Values:

I. Three Exams—300 points (100 points each)

There will be 3 exams during the semester. Each exam will consist of True/False, Multiple Choice, and/or short answer questions. Exam 1 will be administered in the classroom. Exams 2 and 3 will be taken online. You must bring a "raspberry" scantron and a #2 pencil to the in-class exam.

II. Grab Bag assignments—70 points (various points each)

You will not get much out of this class if you don't attend every day, so I'll drop pop quizzes and other impromptu assignments on the class to keep everyone on their toes.

III. M Mode Module Assignments—130 points

As this is a mixed mode class, part of your grade is based on work you'll do on Webcourses. There are 13 modules for the course. The modules consist of readings and/or an online lecture that you will review, then you will take the associated assessment online. Module quizzes are worth a total of 130 points.

Modules and the associated quizzes will go live at 12:00 PM every Tuesday after class, per the course schedule. You must complete the related Quiz by 10:30 AM (before the next class starts) on the following Tuesday. Because you have the entire work week to complete them, I will not reopen closed module quizzes after the due date unless you have a documented excuse as defined by the syllabus (see "6c. Make-up Policy" below).

6b. Grading Scheme Used For Final Grades: The +/- system will be used in this course. Your point totals correspond to the following letter grades.

A 470 or more
A- 450-469
B+ 435-449

B 420-434
B- 400-419
C+ 385-399
C 370-384
C- 350-369
D+ 335-349
D 320-334
D- 300-319
F 299 or fewer

Individual exams and quizzes will not be curved. Neither will the final course distribution.

6c. Make-up Policy: If there is an unforeseen emergency and you will not be able to take an exam or complete an assessment, it is critical that you notify me immediately via phone or email. All make-ups or deadline extensions require documentation excusing your absence—NO EXCEPTIONS. The only acceptable form of documentation for illness is a doctor's statement. Proof of personal or family emergency can consist of a police report, a deceased's obituary, an airline ticket invoice, police report, or other form I deem acceptable. Except in extraordinary cases approved by me, all makeup exams must be completed within 3 business days of the scheduled exam time.

Work conflicts are not an excusable absence. You signed up for a class that meets on Tuesdays from 10:30-12:00 so adjust your work schedule accordingly.

Computer problems are NOT a legitimate excuse, including "my internet went down" or "I couldn't open the file". We are all working remotely and it is your responsibility to ensure that you have to tools you need.

7. Course Materials:

John Clarke: Looking at Lovemaking: Constructions of Sexuality in Roman Art

Links to videos or other media through the UCF library, Youtube, or other websites or platforms will be posted within individual modules.

8. Course-Specific Policies.

8a. Notes: This is a note-intensive course. I do not post notes or PowerPoint slides online or release my slides to anyone for any reason, even if your absence is excused. I rightly expect every student to come to class, pay attention, and take good notes.

8b. Photography and recording policy: Students **ARE NOT** permitted to photograph or record video of the professor's slides or lectures. I worked hard to create the course material, and do not want it posted all over the public domain. Moreover, the slides are simply prompts for discussion, and do not contain much of the information you need to know for the quizzes and exams. Finally, just snapping pics in lecture and doing nothing else is **LAZY** and you will wind up with the lousy grade you deserve. Students who disregard this policy will be asked to put their phone away during class. Students who repeatedly disregard this policy will be asked to leave the classroom.

8c. In-class Exams: To minimize disruptions, if you do not arrive within 10 minutes of the start of class on exam day, **you will not be seated for the exam**. I will direct you to the Anthropology office where you will take a different exam. I will not go over completed exams during class times. Also, I will retain all of the exams and none will be returned. However, I encourage every one of you to make-an appointment with me or a TA and we will gladly go over your exams with you on an individual basis.

8d. Grab bags: To minimize disruption, all quizzes will be administered toward the end of class. As with exams, I will not allow make-up quizzes without a valid excuse and I will require documentation of your absence.

8e. Scantron Issues: If you fail to complete the scantron properly or submit a crumpled or damaged scantron your assignment will not be graded by the machine and a zero will appear in your Webcourses grades page. If this happens to you, contact a TA IMMEDIATELY to arrange a time to meet them, find your scantron, and correct the error. In all cases concerning scantrons, if you feel that your grade on a test or assignment is inaccurate or an error has occurred, it is YOUR responsibility to contact a TA within one week of the posting of the grade. Late requests or claims for a grade change will not be honored.

Syllabus Part 2: University Policies and Protocols

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8. University Core Policies

University-Wide Face Covering Policy for Common Spaces and Face-to-Face Classes

To protect members of our community, everyone is required to wear a facial covering inside all common spaces including classrooms (https://policies.ucf.edu/documents/PolicyEmergencyCOVIDReturnPolicy.pdf (Links to an external site.). Students who choose not to wear facial coverings will be asked to leave the classroom by the instructor. If they refuse to leave the classroom or put on a facial covering, they may be considered disruptive (please see the Golden Rule (Links to an external site.) for student behavior expectations). Faculty have the right to cancel class if the safety and well-being of class members are in jeopardy. Students will be responsible for the material that would have been covered in class as provided by the instructor.

Notifications in Case of Changes to Course Modality

Depending on the course of the pandemic during the semester, the university may make changes to the way classes are offered. If that happens, please look for announcements or messages in Webcourses@UCF or Knights email about changes specific to this course.

COVID-19 and Illness Notification

Students who believe they may have a COVID-19 diagnosis should contact UCF Student Health Services (407-823-2509) so proper contact tracing procedures can take place.

Students should not come to campus if they are ill, are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19, have tested positive for COVID, or if anyone living in their residence has tested positive or is sick with COVID-19 symptoms. CDC guidance for COVID-19 symptoms is located here: (https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html (Links to an external site.))

Students should contact their instructor(s) as soon as possible if they miss class for any illness reason to discuss reasonable adjustments that might need to be made. When possible, students should contact their instructor(s) before missing class.

In Case of Faculty Illness

If the instructor falls ill during the semester, there may be changes to this course, including having a backup instructor take over the course. Please look for announcements or mail in Webcourses@UCF or Knights email for any alterations to this course.

Course Accessibility and Disability COVID-19 Supplemental Statement

Accommodations may need to be added or adjusted should this course shift from an on-campus to a remote format. Students with disabilities should speak with their instructor and should contact sas@ucf.edu to discuss specific accommodations for this or other courses.

8a. Academic Integrity. Students should familiarize themselves with UCF's Rules of Conduct at http://osc.sdes.ucf.edu/process/roc. According to Section 1,

"Academic Misconduct," students are prohibited from engaging in:
1. Unauthorized assistance: Using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information or study aids in any academic exercise unless specifically authorized by the instructor of record. The unauthorized possession of examination or course-related material also constitutes cheating.
2. Communication to another through written, visual, electronic, or oral means: The presentation of material which has not been studied or learned, but rather was obtained through someone else's efforts and used as part of an examination, course assignment, or project.
3. Commercial Use of Academic Material: Selling of course material to another person, student, and/or uploading course material to a third-party vendor without authorization or without the express written permission of the university and the instructor. Course materials include but are not limited to class notes, Instructor's PowerPoints, course syllabi, tests, quizzes, labs, instruction sheets, homework, study guides, handouts, etc.
4. Falsifying or misrepresenting the student's own academic work.
5. Plagiarism: Using or appropriating another's work without any indication of the source, thereby attempting to convey the impression that such work is the student's own.
6. Multiple Submissions: Submitting the same academic work for credit more than once without the express written permission of the instructor.
7. Helping another violate academic behavior standards.

For more information about Academic Integrity, consult the International Center for Academic Integrity http://academicintegrity.org. For more information about plagiarism and misuse of sources, see "Defining and Avoiding Plagiarism: The WPA Statement on Best Practices" http://wpacouncil.org/node/9 Responses to Academic Dishonesty, Plagiarism, or Cheating. Students should also familiarize themselves with the procedures for academic misconduct in UCF's student handbook, The Golden Rule http://goldenrule.sdes.ucf.edu/docs/goldenrule.pdf. UCF faculty members have a responsibility for students' education and the value of a UCF degree, and so seek to prevent unethical behavior and when necessary respond to academic misconduct. Penalties can include a failing grade in an assignment or in the course, suspension or expulsion from the university, and/or a "Z Designation"

on a student's official transcript indicating academic dishonesty, where the final grade for this course will be preceded by the letter Z. For more information about the Z Designation, see http://goldenrule.sdes.ucf.edu/zgradeLinks to an external site..

Any of the following are academic integrity violations:

Unauthorized Use of Websites and Internet Resources

There are many websites claiming to offer study aids to students, but in using such websites, students could find themselves in violation of academic conduct guidelines. These websites include (but are not limited to) Quizlet, Course Hero, Chegg Study, and Clutch Prep. UCF does not endorse the use of these products in an unethical manner, which could lead to a violation of our University's Rules of Conduct. They encourage students to upload course materials, such as test questions, individual assignments, and examples of graded material. Such materials are the intellectual property of instructors, the university, or publishers and may not be distributed without prior authorization. Students who engage in such activity could be found in violation of academic conduct standards and could face course and/or University penalties. Please let me know if you are uncertain about the use of a website so I can determine its legitimacy.

Unauthorized Use of Technology for Graded Work

If you were in a classroom setting taking a quiz, would you ask the student sitting next to you for an answer to a quiz or test question? The answer should be no. This also applies to graded homework, quizzes, tests, etc.

Students are not allowed to use GroupMe, WhatsApp, or any other form of technology to exchange course material associated with a graded assignment, quiz, test, etc. when opened on Webcourses.

The completion of graded work in an online course should be considered a formal process: Just because you are not in a formal classroom setting being proctored while taking a quiz or test does not mean that the completion of graded work in an online course should not be treated with integrity.

The following is not all inclusive of what is considered academic misconduct. These examples show how the use of technology can be considered academic

misconduct and could result in the same penalties as cheating in a face-to-face class:

- Taking a screen shot of an online quiz or test question, posting it to GroupMe or WhatsApp, and asking for assistance is considered academic misconduct.
- Answering an online quiz or test question posted to GroupMe or WhatsApp is considered academic misconduct. Giving advice, assistance, or suggestions on how to complete a question associated with an online assignment, quiz, or test is considered academic misconduct.
- The use of outside assistance from another student or by searching the internet, Googling for answers, use of websites such as Quizlet, Course Hero, Chegg Study, etc. is considered academic misconduct.
- Gathering to take an online quiz or test with others and sharing answers in the process is considered academic misconduct.

If a student or group of students are found to be exchanging material associated with a graded assignment, quiz, or test through any form of technology (GroupMe, WhatsApp, etc.), or use outside assistance (Googling answers, use of websites such as Quizlet, Course Hero, Chegg Study, etc.), they could receive anywhere from a zero grade on the exercise to an "F" in the course depending on the act.

Unauthorized distribution of Class notes:

Faculty have reported errors in class notes being sold by third parties, and the errors may be contributing to higher failure rates in some classes. The following is a statement appropriate for distribution to your classes or for inclusion on your syllabus:

Third parties may attempt to connect with you to sell your notes and other course information from this class. Distributing course materials to a third party without my authorization is a violation of our University's Rules of Conduct. Please be aware that such class materials that may have already been given to such third parties may contain errors, which could affect your performance or grade. Recommendations for success in this course include coming to class on a

routine basis, visiting me during my office hours, connecting with the Teaching Assistant (TA), and making use of the Student Academic Resource Center (SARC), the University Writing Center (UWC), the Math Lab, etc. If a third party should contact you regarding such an offer, I would appreciate your bringing this to my attention. We all play a part in creating a course climate of integrity.

Enforcement: Quiz Audit Log

For each quiz, test, or exam, you are expected to remain on the testing screen for the duration. You may not visit other sections of the course, other websites, or communication tools for assistance. I will be monitoring the Webcourses@UCF quiz audit log for compliance. Failure to only access the quiz, test, or exam during testing will result in an academic integrity violation.

8b. Course Accessibility Statement: The University of Central Florida is committed to providing access and inclusion for all persons with disabilities. Students with disabilities who need access to course content due to course design limitations should contact the professor as soon as possible. Students should also connect with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) <http://sas.sdes.ucf.edu/> (Ferrell Commons 185, sas@ucf.edu, phone 407-823-2371). For students connected with SAS, a Course Accessibility Letter may be created and sent to professors, which informs faculty of potential course access and accommodations that might be necessary and reasonable. Determining reasonable access and accommodations requires consideration of the course design, course learning objectives and the individual academic and course barriers experienced by the student. Further conversation with SAS, faculty and the student may be warranted to ensure an accessible course experience.

I am pleased to assist those students need additional accommodation. However, you MUST present me with documentation from SAS that verifies your needs. ANY REQUEST FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION THAT IS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY SUCH DOCUMENTATION WILL NOT BE HONORED.

8c. Campus Safety Statement: Emergencies on campus are rare, but if one should arise during class, everyone needs to work together. Students should be

aware of their surroundings and familiar with some basic safety and security concepts.
• In case of an emergency, dial 911 for assistance.
• Every UCF classroom contains an emergency procedure guide posted on a wall near the door. Students should make a note of the guide's physical location and review the online version at http://emergency.ucf.edu/emergency_guide.html.
• Students should know the evacuation routes from each of their classrooms and have a plan for finding safety in case of an emergency.
• If there is a medical emergency during class, students may need to access a first-aid kit or AED (Automated External Defibrillator). To learn where those are located, see http://www.ehs.ucf.edu/AEDlocations-UCF.
• To stay informed about emergency situations, students can sign up to receive UCF text alerts by going to https://my.ucf.edu and logging in. Click on "Student Self Service" located on the left side of the screen in the toolbar, scroll down to the blue "Personal Information" heading on the Student Center screen, click on "UCF Alert", fill out the information, including e-mail address, cell phone number, and cell phone provider, click "Apply" to save the changes, and then click "OK."
• Students with special needs related to emergency situations should speak with their instructors outside of class.
• To learn about how to manage an active-shooter situation on campus or elsewhere, consider viewing this video https://youtu.be/NIKYajEx4pk.

8d. Deployed Active Duty Military Students: If you are a deployed active duty military student and feel that you may need a special accommodation due to that unique status, please contact your instructor to discuss your circumstances.

8e. Make-Up Assignments for Authorized University Events or Co-curricular Activities: Students who represent the university in an authorized event or activity (for example, student-athletes) and who are unable to meet a course deadline due to a conflict with that event must provide the instructor with documentation in advance to arrange a make-up. No penalty will be applied. For more information, see the UCF policy at http://policies.ucf.edu/documents/4-401.2MakeUpAssignmentsorAuthUnivEventsorCocurricularActivities.pdf

8f. Religious Observances: Students must notify their instructor in advance if they intend to miss class for a religious observance. For more information, see the UCF policy at http://regulations.ucf.edu/chapter5/documents/5.020ReligiousObservancesFINALJan19.pdf.

8g. UCF Cares. During your UCF career, you may experience challenges including struggles with academics, finances, or your personal well-being. UCF has a multitude of resources available to all students. Please visit UCFCares.com if you are seeking resources and support, or if you are worried about a friend or classmate. Free services and information are included for a variety of student concerns, including but not limited to alcohol use, bias incidents, mental health concerns, and financial challenges. You can also e-mail ucfcares@ucf.edu with questions or for additional assistance. You can reach a UCF Cares staff member between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. by calling 407-823-5607. If you are in immediate distress, please call Counseling and Psychological Services to speak directly with a counselor 24/7 at 407-823-2811, or please call 911.

8h. FERPA and Privacy: As a student, your educational records are considered confidential. Under FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act), your records are confidential and protected. Under most circumstances your records will not be released without your written and signed consent. However, some directory information may be released to third parties without the your prior consent unless a written request to restrict this is on file. You can learn more about student rights to privacy at http://registrar.ucf.edu/ferpa.

9. Protocols

9a. Webcourses Announcements and Messages. Webcourses announcements and messages from me will be an integral part of this course. Make sure you:

1. Check for announcements and messages at least twice per week (more often is better).
2. Be patient. Don't expect an immediate response when you send a message. Generally, two days is considered reasonable amount of time to receive a reply.

3. Include "Subject" headings: use something that is descriptive and refer to a particular assignment or topic.
4. Be courteous and considerate. Being honest and expressing yourself freely is very important but being considerate of others online is just as important as in the classroom.
5. Make every effort to be clear. Online communication lacks the nonverbal cues that fill in much of the meaning in face-to-face communication.
6. Do not use all caps. This makes the message very hard to read and is considered "shouting." Check spelling, grammar, and punctuation (you may want to compose in a word processor, then cut and paste the message into the discussion or e-mail).
7. Break up large blocks of text into paragraphs and use a space between paragraphs.
8. Sign your e-mail messages.
9. Never assume that your messages can be read by no one except yourself; others may be able to read or access your mail. Never send or keep anything that you would not mind seeing on the evening news.

<u>9b. Discussion Topics.</u> Many of the "rules of the road" or protocols that apply to messages also apply to the use of discussions. Use the following conventions when composing a discussion posting:

1. During a Discussion assignment, deadlines for posting to and replying will be specified with each assignment. It is a good practice to always check the Discussions multiple times during the week.
2. If you want to send a personal message to the instructor or to another student, use webcourses messages rather than the discussions (see above Protocols).
3. Use the appropriate Discussion Topic; don't post everything on the "Main" Discussion Topic.
4. Be patient. Don't expect an immediate response when you send a message.

5. A helpful hint for use with both discussions and messages --- Compose your message in your word-processing application in order to check spelling, punctuation, and grammar --- then copy and paste your composition the discussion.
6. Everyone should feel free to participate in class and online discussions.
7. Respect each other's ideas, feelings and experience.
8. Be courteous and considerate. It is important to be honest and to express yourself freely, but being considerate of others is just as important and expected online, as it is in the classroom.
9. Explore disagreements and support assertions with data and evidence.
10. "Subject" headings: use something that is descriptive and refer to a particular assignment or discussion topic when applicable. Some assignments will specify the subject heading.
11. Use the "reply" button rather than the "compose" button if you are replying to someone else's posting.
12. Do not use postings such as "I agree," "I don't know either," "Who cares," or "ditto." They do not add to the discussion, take up space on the Discussions, and will not be counted for assignment credit.
13. Avoid posting large blocks of text. If you must, break them into paragraphs and use a space between paragraphs.
14. Use the Technical Discussion topic for assistance with technical issues. Use the Help Discussion topic for questions about course material or assignments. There will be specific discussion topics for particular discussions - pay close attention to the assignment, and post appropriately.

<u>9c. Viruses.</u> A virus can spell disaster. Your use of a reputable anti-virus program is a requirement for participation in this course (good ones include McAfee or Norton).

Also, you are responsible to have access to working technology. "My computer crashed" and "My internet doesn't work" are today's equivalents of "My dog ate my homework." You signed up for an online class, so these are not valid excuses for failing to get your work in on time.

9d. Technical Resources. For specific problems in any of the areas below or for further information go to the corresponding link for assistance.

- UCF Home PageLinks to an external site. will help find UCF resources
- UCF Computer Service DeskLinks to an external site. – You can also call the Service Desk at 407-823-5117.
- Learning OnlineLinks to an external site. This site provides information on study skills for distance learners, the library and the writing center.
- Buying a new computer or upgrading your current equipment – http://www.cstore.ucf.edu/ Links to an external site.
- Hardware/Software RequirementsLinks to an external site.
- Technical Discussion Topic: If you have technical questions and/or problems, please post a message to the Technical Discussion Topic. I encourage members of the class who are technically proficient to also monitor this discussion topic and assist your classmates.
- If your equipment problems prevent you from using e-mail from home, there are many computer labs on campus and virtually every public library offers Internet access.

Class Day	Topic	Module: Opens Tuesdays at 12 PM	Module Due: The following Tuesday at 10:30 AM
1/12	Introduction to the course What is sex, sexuality, and gender?	Module 1	Tuesday 1/19
1/19	Evolution of sex: non-human primates.	Module 2	Tuesday 1/26
1/26	Evolution of sex: early hominids to modern humans.	Module 3	Tuesday 2/2
2/2	Changes in sex and gender roles during the Neolithic.	Module 4	Tuesday 2/9
2/9	Bronze Age Mediterranean and Middle East	Module 5	Tuesday 2/16
2/16	**In Class Midterm Exam 1**	Module 6	Tuesday 2/23
2/23	The Classical world and Ancient Greece	Module 7	Tuesday 3/2
3/2	Romans Part I	Module 8	Tuesday 3/9
3/9	Romans Part II	Module 9	Tuesday 3/16
3/16	Romans Part III	**Online Exam 2 opens 3/16 at 12:00 PM and is due 3/23 at 10:30 AM.**	
3/23	The Islamic World	Module 10	Tuesday 3/30
3/30	19th Century American Prostitution	Module 11	Tuesday 4/6
4/6	Homosexuality and Evolution	Module 12	Tuesday 4/20
4/12	Spring Break	Who cares?	
4/20	Unique Sexualities	Module 13	Tuesday 4/27
5/4	**Final Exam Opens Tuesday 4/27 at 7 AM and is due Tuesday 5/4 at 11:59 PM**		

Drop/Add: Jan 11-15. Withdraw date: March 26