Race, Gender and Science Anthro 128B Syllabus Winter 2015

Same as CHC/LAT 176, GEN&SEX 188A

4 Units

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Tuesdays & Thursdays

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Course Description

ELH 100

We all have an awareness of ourselves as having a particular gender. Most of us identify with at least one race. Your race and gender are likely a significant aspect of your identity. They also have a significant impact on your opportunities in the world, and how other people react to you. But are they "real"? What does it mean to even ask that question? Are race and gender "real biologically"? If they aren't "real biologically," then are they meaningless categories? This course will explore these questions and more.

Required Readings:

All required readings are on the course website at: https://eee.uci.edu/15w/25385

Course Work:

Task	Points
Midterm Exam	80 points
Final Exam	80 points
Pop culture project	40 points
Total	200 points

How I calculate your grade:

Your grade is calculated based on a percentage correct of these points. Scores will NOT be rounded up.

• Percent scores convert to letter grades in the following manner:

94-100	Α	77-79.9	C+
90-93.9	A-	73-76.9	С
87-89.9	B+	70-72.9	C-
83-86.9	В	60-69.9	D
80-82.9	B-	59.9 J	F

Exams will be short answer and essay format. Please bring an 8.5 x 11 bluebook to exams. Bluebooks will be checked at the beginning of the exam to ensure that they are blank. A student who has ANY bluebook on their person that has ANYTHING written in it prior to the exam will not be allowed to take the exam and will receive a zero on the exam.

Responses to the essay/ short answer question must be written in non-erasable pen. Bring your student ID to the exams; IDs will be checked.

Pop Culture Project:

- 5 page paper, double-spaced, standard margins (just use the "normal" document setting in Word or whatever program you use), 12 point font. Please number your pages.
- This project will be an analysis of race or gender in some aspect of current pop culture. This could be music (a particular song, music video, the work of a particular artist, or a genre of music), a television show/series (made-for-internet counts), print media, internet media, etc. Not sure if something would work? Ask your professor.
- You will do an in-depth analysis of the media item you choose. This analysis must engage with class material. You can also use outside sources.
- Paper must cite sources used. Include a Bibliography: This might include other sources, or just the media item you are analyzing. Use either American Anthropological Association or Chicago Style for the format of your bibliography and in-text citations.
- You can include graphics in your paper, but they don't count towards the page count.

Extra Credit Option:

- 10 extra credit points possible
- You may do a presentation of your Pop Culture Project. Using Powerpoint, Prezzi or something similar, put together an approximately 10-minute presentation of your Pop Culture Project.
- Presentations will be given in your discussion sections. Schedule with your TA when you will give your presentation. (If you really want to give your presentation to the whole class, see your professor about scheduling that.)

Classroom expectations

• **Electronic devices:** No electronic devices of any kind are allowed in my classroom: no personal computers, Tables, iPads, iPODs, texting, cell phones or anything else. Do not send or receive texts during class. EXCEPTION: You may audio-record my lecture with a

small audio-recording device (not your laptop, not your phone). Recordings are for personal use only.

- No food or drinks (except water) are allowed in the classroom.
- Late work is not accepted <u>unless</u> there is a documented injury, illness, or personal emergency. Tests may only be made up if there is a documented injury, illness or personal emergency. If you miss a test please contact your professor as soon as possible to let me know you missed the test and to schedule a makeup.
- Study guides, a copy of the syllabus and other important information will be made available via the class website to be found at eee.uci.edu. You will need your UCInetID and password. Website: https://eee.uci.edu/15w/25385

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Lecture and Assignment Schedule

Date	Topic & Readings	What is due?
Week 1	Race emerged in a specific historical context.	
Jan. 6; Jan. 8	Readings:	
	1. "Measuring Heads" SJ Gould	
	2. "Measuring Bodies" SJ Gould	
	3. "Antimiscegenation Laws and the Enforcement of	
	Racial Boundaries." Moran	
Week 2 Jan. 13; 15	Race construction consequences (historical)	
	4. "The Diseased heart of Africa" Comoroff	
	5. "Profitable Wonders: Antebellum Medical	
	Experimentation with Salves and Freedmen" Medical	
	Apartheid, Harriet Washington.	
Week 3	The construction of American Indian-ness—blood	
Jan. 20; 22	quantum and beyond	
	6. "Introduction' Native Acts, Joanne Barker	
	7. "Eugenics as Indian Removal: Sociohistorical	
	Processes and the De(con)struction of American	
	Indians in the Southeast"	
	8. "Hawaiian Nationhood, Self-Determination, and	
	International Law" J. Kehaulani Kauanui.	
	9. "Identity and the Politics of American Indian and Hispanic Women Leaders" Diane-Michele Prindeville.	
Week 4	Health and Race	
Jan. 27; 29	10. "`A Notoriously Syphilis-Soaked Race': What	
	really happened at Tuskegee?" Medical Apartheid,	
	Harriet Washington.	
	11. "Genetic Perdition" Medical Apartheid, Harriet	
	Washington	

Race and Reproduction: 12. "The 'Primitive Pelvis,' Racial Folklore, and Atavism in Contemporary Forms of Medical Disenfranchisement." Excerpt from Reproducing Race: An Ethnography of Pregnancy as a Site of Racialization 13. "The Black Stork: The Eugenic Control of African American Reproduction" in Medical Apartheid, Harriet Washington. 14. "From Norplant to the Contraceptive Vaccine" Killing the Black Body, Dorothy Roberts	
Tuesday: Catch up and Midterm Prep. Midterm is Thursday	Midterm Thursday Feb. 12
Part II: Gender	
Gender and Science	
15. "That Sexe Which Prevaileth." Anne Fausto-	
Sterling.	
16. "Doing Gender" Candace West; Don H.	
Zimmerman.	
17. Gender and Genitals: Constructs of Sex and	
18. "Night to His Day" Lorber	
19. "The Egg and The Sperm' Emily Martin	
20. "The Virtual Speculum and the New World Order"	
Donna Haraway	
21. "The Woman in the Flexible Body" Emily Martin	
Transgender	
22. "The Gender of Brazilian Transgender Prostitutes"	
23. "Sex and Diversity, Sex Versus Gender, and Sexed	
Bodies: Excerpts from Evolution's Rainbow:	
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Week 10 Mar. 10; 12	Diversity, Gender and Sexuality in Nature and People." Joan Roughgarden 24. Interdependent Ecological Transsex: Notes on Re/Production, "Transgender" Fish, and the management of Populations, Species, and Resources." Bailey Kier Catch up and prepare for final exam.	Pop Culture Project Paper due last class meeting.
March 14- 20 is Finals Week	Final exam for this class is: Fri, Mar 20 10:30am - 12:30 p.m.	Finals