

Cultural Anthropology Bibliography (Revised Fall 2008)

This bibliography is a list of what the faculty consider to be major ethnographic and/or theoretical contributions to the field. As you look at them you should consider their impact on the field. **The books on the list are important background reading to help prepare you for the General MA exams.** These books should supplement what you are covering and learning in your course work. Indeed, portions of some of these works may very well be assigned in your classes. We have selected works by a wide range of scholars, anthropologists and non-anthropologists alike. Students should be aware of other works published by these scholars both before and after the ones included here.

In addition the faculty recommends that you browse through the *Annual Review of Anthropology* from time to time. The articles in this publication also provide important background. At the end of this list we append a list of what we think are some of the key articles that have appeared in the *Annual Review* in recent years. These articles capture current theoretical/empirical trends in anthropology. Some of these articles may be assigned or referenced in your classes.

Finally, the faculty recommends that you regularly look at one issue of one journal in anthropology each month. What kinds of articles are published; what issues do they address; what theoretical frameworks are used, etc.? In addition, you should regularly read the book reviews in the *American Anthropologist*.

Classic Theory

Benedict, Ruth

1934 *Patterns of Culture*. Boston, New York, Houghton Mifflin Company.

Boas, Franz

1940 *Race, Language and Culture*. New York: Macmillan.

Douglas, Mary

1966 *Purity and Danger: An Analysis of Concepts of Pollution and Taboo*. London: Routledge and Kegan Paul.

Durkheim, Emile

1938 *The Rules of the Sociological Method*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. [orig. 1895].

Engels, Frederick

1942 *The Origin of the Family, Private Property, and the State, in the Light of the Researches of Lewis H. Morgan*. New York: International Publishers. [orig. 1884].

Evans-Pritchard, E.E.

1964 *Social Anthropology and Other Essays, combining Social Anthropology and Essays in Social Anthropology.* New York: Free Press of Glencoe.

Goffman, Erving

1959 *The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life.* Garden City, NY: Doubleday.

Kuhn, Thomas S.

1962 *The Structure of Scientific Revolutions.* Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.

Levi-Strauss, Claude

1963 *Structural Anthropology.* New York: Basic Books [orig. 1958].

Mauss, Marcel

1954 *The Gift: Forms and Functions of Exchange in Archaic Societies.* Glencoe, IL: Free Press. [orig. 1925].

Radcliffe-Brown, A.R.

1952 *Structure and Function in Primitive Society; Essays and Addresses.* Glencoe, IL: The Free Press.

Sahlins, Marshall D. and Elman R. Service (editors)

1960 *Evolution and Culture.* Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Weber, Max

1930 *The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism,* translated by Talcott Parsons. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons. [orig. 1904].

Classic Ethnography/Theory (Pre 1970)

Classic Ethnographies

Cohen, Abner

1969 *Custom and Politics in Urban Africa.* Berkeley: University of California Press.

Evans-Pritchard, E.E.

1940 *The Nuer: A Description of the Modes of Livelihood and Political Institutions of a Nilotic People.* Oxford: Clarendon Press.

1937 (1976) *Witchcraft, Oracles and Magic Among the Azande.* Oxford University Press.

Foster, George M.

1967 *Tzintzuntzan: Mexican Peasants in a Changing World.* Boston: Little, Brown.

- Leach, E.R.
1954 Political Systems of Highland Burma: A Study of Kachin Social Structure. London: Athlone.
- Lewis, Oscar
1959 Five Families: Mexican Case Studies in the Culture of Poverty. New York: Basic Books.
- Liebow, Elliott
1967 Tally's Corner: A Study of Negro Streetcorner Men. Boston, MA: Little, Brown.
- Malinowski, Bronislaw
1961 Argonauts of the Western Pacific: An Account of Native Enterprise and Adventure in the Archipelagoes of Melanesian New Guinea. Waveland reprint edition. [orig. 1922]
- Mead, Margaret
1928 Coming of Age in Samoa: A Psychological Study of Primitive Youth for Western Civilization. New York: W. Morrow & Co..
- Rappaport, Roy
1968 Pigs for the Ancestors: Ritual and Ecology of a New Guinea People. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
- Redfield, Robert
1941 The Folk Culture of Yucatan. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Turnbull, Colin
1961 The Forest People. Simon and Schuster.
- Turner, Victor
1967 Forest of Symbols. Cornell University Press

Recent Theoretical Classics (Post 1970)

- Anderson, Benedict
1983 Imagined Communities: Reflections on the Origin and Spread of Nationalism. London: Verso.
- Appadurai, Arjun
1996 Modernity at Large: Cultural Dimensions of Globalization. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press
- Arizpe, Lourdes (editor)

- 1996 The Cultural Dimensions of Global Change: An Anthropological Approach. Paris: UNESCO Publications.
- Asad, Talal (editor)
1973 Anthropology & the Colonial Encounter. London: Ithaca Press.
- Bourdieu, Pierre
1977 Outline of a Theory of Practice. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Clifford, James and George E. Marcus
1986 Writing Culture: The Poetics and Politics of Ethnography. Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Foucault, Michel
1975 Discipline and Punish. London: Allen Lane. (other works by Foucault are also of interest)
- Geertz, Clifford
1973 The Interpretation of Cultures. New York: Basic Books.
- Giddens, Anthony
1973 Capitalism and Modern Social Theory. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Hobsbawm, Eric J. and Terrence O. Ranger
1983 The Invention of Tradition. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Marcus, George E., and Michael M. J. Fischer
1986 Anthropology as Cultural Critique: An Experimental Moment in the Human Sciences. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Moore, Henrietta
1988 Feminism and Anthropology. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.
- Rosaldo, Michelle Zimbalist and Louise Lamphere (editors)
1974 Woman, Culture, and Society. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press
- Roseberry, William
1989 Anthropologies and Histories: Essays in Culture, History, and Political Economy. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press.
- Sahlins, Marshall
1985 Islands of History. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.
- Said, Edward
1978 Orientalism. New York: Pantheon Books.

Wolf, Eric R.
1982 Europe and the People without History. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Recent (Post 1970) Ethnographic/Theoretical Classics

Abu-Lughod, Lila
1986 Veiled Sentiments: Honor and Poetry in a Bedouin Society.
University of California Press

Abu-Lughod, Lila,
1993, Writing Women's Worlds. University of California Press

Bestor, Theodore C.
1989 Neighborhood Tokyo. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press.

Bourgois, Philippe I.
1995 In Search of Respect: Selling Crack in El Barrio. New York: Cambridge
University Press.

Farmer, Paul
1992 Aids and Accusation: Haiti and a Geography of Blame. University of California
Press.

Gutmann, M. C.
1996. The Meanings of Macho: Being a Man in Mexico City. Berkeley: University of
California Press.

Kondo, Dorinne
1990 Crafting Selves: Power, Gender, and Discourses of Identity in a Japanese
Workplace. University of Chicago Press.

Low, Setha
2000 On the Plaza: The Politics of Public Space and Culture. Austin: University of
Texas Press.

Martin, Emily
1987 The Woman in the Body. Boston, MA: Beacon.

Mintz, Sidney
1985 Sweetness and Power: The Place of Sugar in Modern History. New York:
Viking.

Ong, Aiwaha
1987 Spirits of Resistance and Capitalist Discipline: Factory Women in Malaysia.
Albany: State University of New York Press.

Ong, Aiwaha

1999 *Flexible Citizenship: The Cultural Logics of Transnationality*. Duke University Press

Scheper-Hughes, Nancy

1992 *Death Without Weeping: The Violence of Everyday Life in Brazil*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Scott, James

1985 *Weapons of the Weak: Everyday Forms of Peasant Resistance*. New Haven: Yale University Press.

Shostak, Marjorie

1981 *Nisa: The Life and Words of a Kung Woman*. Harvard University Press

Stack, Carol

1974 *All Our Kin*. New York: Harper and Row.

Weiner, Annette

1976 *Women of Value, Men of Renown*. Austin: University of Texas Press.

Other

These are books suggested by the faculty that offer broad overviews of the field or of a particular subfield. They are optional but offer excellent background reading.

Barnard, Alan

2000 *History and Theory in Anthropology*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Bernard, H. Russell (update edition)

2002 *Research Methods in Anthropology*. Third edition. Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press.

Foster, George M.

1969 *Applied Anthropology*. Boston, MA: Little, Brown.

Fox, Richard (editor)

1991 *Recapturing Anthropology*. Santa Fe: School of American Research

Harris, Marvin

1968 *The Rise of Anthropological Theory*. New York: Thomas Y Crowell Co.

Hymes, Dell (ed).

1972 *Reinventing Anthropology*. New York: Pantheon Books.

Inda, Jonathan Xavier and Renato Rosaldo (eds.)
2002 *The Anthropology of Globalization: A Reader*. London: Blackwell Publishers

Kemper, Robert V. and Anya Peterson Royce (editors)
2002 *Chronicling Cultures: Long-Term Field Research in Anthropology*. Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press.

Mohanty, C. T., A. Russo, and L. Torres, eds.
1991. *Third World Women and the Politics of Feminism*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press

Murdock, George
1949 *Social Structure*. New York: The Macmillan Co.

Ong, Aihwa, Stephen J. Collier eds
2005 *Global Assemblages: Technology, Politics, and Ethics As Anthropological Problems*. Blackwell Publishing.

Rabinow, Paul
1997 *Michel Foucault: Ethics: Subjectivity and Truth*. New York: The New Press

Key “Annual Review” Articles (there will be others that are important to your particular areas of research interest) (update)

Ahearn, L. 2001. Language and Agency. *Annual Review of Anthropology*. Vol. 30: 109-137.

Das, Veena. 2008. Violence, Gender, and Subjectivity, *Annual Review of Anthropology*. Vol. 37: 283-299

Ginsburg, Faye and Rapp, Rayna. 1991. The politics of reproduction. *Annual Review of Anthropology* 20: 311-343.

Kearney, Michael. 1995. “The Local and the Global: The Anthropology of Globalization and Transnationalism,” *Annual Review of Anthropology* 24:547-565.

Lave, J., et al.
1992 *Coming of Age in Birmingham - Cultural Studies and Conceptions of Subjectivity*. *Annual Review of Anthropology* 21:257-282.

Lock, Margaret. 1998. "Cultivating the Body: Anthropology and Epistemologies of Bodily Practice and Knowledge," *Annual Review of Anthropology* 22:133-155.

Low, Setha. 1996. “The Anthropology of Cities: Imagining and Theorizing the City,” *Annual Review of Anthropology*, 25:383-409.

Marcus, George E. and Dick Cushman. 1982. "Ethnographies as Texts," *Annual Review of Anthropology* 11:25-69.

Mukhopadhyay, C.C. and P. J. Higgins. 1988. Anthropological Studies of Women's Status Revisited: 1977-1987, *Annual Review of Anthropology* Vol. 17: 461-495

Nagengast, Carol. 1994. "Violence, terror, and the crisis of the state." *Annual Review of Anthropology* 23: 109-136.

Quinn, Naomi. 1977. Anthropological Studies on Women's Status. *Annual Review of Anthropology* 6:181-225.

Roseberry, William. 1988. "Political Economy," *Annual Review of Anthropology* 17:25-69

Roseberry, William. 1997. "Marx and Anthropology," *Annual Review of Anthropology* 26:25-46

Sanjek, Roger. 1990. "Urban Anthropology in the 1980s: A World View," *Annual Review of Anthropology* 19:151-186.