# Anthropology 2112 Human Evolution Winter 2021

WHEN IS IT? Wednesdays 7–10 pm

WHERE IS IT? ZOOM / D2L

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### **Course Description:**

The field of paleoanthropology is examined in this course. Students are introduced to comparative primate biology, including behaviour, as a background to examining the fossil evidence for human evolution.

# **Recommended (not required) Textbooks:**

Klein RG (2009) *The Human Career*. 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition. The University of Chicago Press. ISBN 9780226439655

Whitehead P, Sacco WK and Hochgraf SB (2005) *A Photographic Altas for Physical Anthropology: brief edition.* Morton Publishing Company, Englewood, CO. ISBN 0895826682

See the course D2L site (look in MyCourseLinks on the LU website) for additional resources each week.

### **Learning Objectives:**

- 1) Understand the basic evolutionary patterns and processes that have shaped primate diversification.
- 2) Learn how humans fit into the natural world through their biological relationships with other living and extinct primates.
- 3) Understand how the hominin fossil record informs the science of human origins.
- 4) Achieve a broader and more informed outlook on what it means to be human.

#### **Evaluation:**

Your final grade will be based on the following:

Term Test 1 30% February 3 Term Test 2 30% March 10

Final Exam 40% Final examination period April 16 - 25

#### **Important Dates:**

First Day of Classes:

Final Day of Classes:

Final Date to Register (Add):

Final Date to Withdraw (Drop):

Monday January 11, 2021

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Friday, January 22, 2021

Friday, March 12, 2021

Examination Period: Friday April 16 - Sunday April 25, 2021 (10 days)

Exam Contingency Date: Monday, April 26, 2021 Marks Due: Thursday, April 29, 2021 Please note that <u>Friday, March 12, 2021</u> is the last date for withdrawal without academic penalty from this course. Students will have received feedback on 30% of the course mark by that date.

**Missed tests** cannot be made-up unless official documentation of a reasonable excuse is submitted (e.g. student or family illness, death of family member, car accident). Please note that that going off on holidays or leaving early at the end of term OR similar do not constitute reasonable excuses. Please contact me by email within **48 hours** of any missed due date or test. In case of snowstorm, road closures and warnings – these are acceptable and verifiable reasons to miss class – but again, contact me ASAP.

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https://teachingcommons.lakeheadu.ca/new-student-code-conduct-academic-integrity

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https://www.lakeheadu.ca/students/student-life/student-services/accessibility (SC0003, 343-8047 or sas@lakeheadu.ca)