# Anthropology 2112 Human Evolution Winter 2023

WHEN IS IT? Tuesdays 7–10 pm WHERE IS IT? ZOOM / D2L

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Office Hours: virtual and by appointment Wednesdays & Fridays 12:30-2:00pm

## **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.

### Required Textbook (available in LU bookstores and online):

Wood BA (2019) *Human Evolution: A Very Short Introduction*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Oxford University Press. ISBN 9780198831747

# **Optional (not required) Textbook:**

Whitehead P, Sacco WK and Hochgraf SB (2005) *A Photographic Atlas 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: opens on D2L at 9 AM EST February 1st / closes 9 AM EST February 8th

Section 1 17.5% 90 minutes Section 2 17.5% 90 minutes

Term Test 2: opens on D2L at 9 AM EST March 1st / closes 9 AM EST March 8th

Section 1 15% 90 minutes Section 2 15% 90 minutes

Term Test 3: opens on D2L at 9 AM EST April 11<sup>th</sup> / closes 9 AM EST April 24<sup>th</sup>

Section 1 17.5% 90 minutes Section 2 17.5% 90 minutes

# **Important Dates:**

First Day of Classes:

Final Day of Classes:

Final Date to Register (Add):

Final Date to Withdraw (Drop):

Monday, January 9, 2023

Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Friday, January 20, 2023

Friday, March 10, 2023

Examination Period: Friday, April 14 – Monday, April 24, 2023

Exam Contingency Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 Marks Due: Friday, April 28, 2023

Please note that <u>Friday, March 10, 2023</u>, is the last date for withdrawal without academic penalty from this course. Students will have received feedback on at least 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 contact me by email within **48 hours** of any missed due date or test.

## **Academic Integrity**

A breach of Academic Integrity is a serious offence. The principle of Academic Integrity, particularly of doing one's own work, documenting properly (including use of quotation marks, appropriate paraphrasing and referencing/citation), collaborating appropriately, and avoiding misrepresentation, is a core principle in university study. Students are strongly advised to familiarize themselves with the Student Code of Conduct - Academic Integrity ("The Code") – and Sections 26 and 83 through 85 in particular. Noncompliance with the Code will NOT be tolerated in this course and the Code will be adhered to in terms of disciplinary action. The Code provides a full description of academic offences, procedures when Academic Integrity breaches are suspected and sanctions for breaches of Academic Integrity.

https://www.lakeheadu.ca/students/student-life/student-conduct

All students should familiarize themselves with LU's Student Code of Conduct policy, which covers such misconduct as plagiarism, cheating, and disruption of teaching.

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#### **Mental Health**

As a university student, you may sometimes experience mental health concerns or stressful events that interfere with your academic performance and negatively impact your daily activities. All of us can benefit from support during times of struggle. If you or anyone you know experiences academic stress, difficult life events or feelings of anxiety or depression, Student Health and Wellness is here to help. Their services are free for Lakehead Students and appointments are available. You can learn more about confidential mental health services available on and off campus at <a href="lakeheadu.ca/shw">lakeheadu.ca/shw</a>. Remember that getting help is a smart and courageous thing to do- for yourself, for those you care about, and for those who care about you. Asking for support sooner rather than later is almost always helpful.

#### **Academic Accommodations**

Lakehead University is committed to achieving full accessibility for persons with disabilities. Part of this commitment includes arranging academic accommodations for students with disabilities and/or medical conditions to ensure they have an equitable opportunity to participate in all of their academic activities. If you are a student with a disability and think you may need accommodations, you are strongly encouraged to contact Student Accessibility Services (SAS) and register as early as possible. For more information, please contact <a href="Student Accessibility Services">Student Accessibility Services</a> (SC0003, 343-8047 or <a href="sas@lakeheadu.ca">sas@lakeheadu.ca</a>)

**Additional Supports for Students** – there are many resources available to support students. These include but are not limited to:

- Health and Wellness
- Student Success Centre
- Student Accessibility Centre
- Library
- Lakehead International
- Indigenous Initiatives