

ANTH 4811 WAO: Anthropology of Globalization

M/W 1-2:30

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Course Description:

Globalization is a multi-faceted process driven by the interconnected networks of trade, politics, culture, religion, technology, and economics that facilitate the migration of ideas, objects, and people across regions. For this course, we will be taking an expansive view of globalization through time, with a particular focus on how ancient trade and religious networks continue to influence our global world today. We will be examining globalization through the conceptual lens of empire. We will be considering history, archaeology, mythology, religion, economics, politics, trade and migration as we explore through narratives and film the multifaceted and connected stories of humanity.

Course Requirements:

Participation	24%
<i>Cypria</i> Journal	36%
Presentation:	40%

Required Texts:

Cypria: A Journey to the Heart of the Mediterranean by Alex Christofi. \$28

Empire: A New History of the World by Paul Strathern. \$26.95

Recommended Texts:

Adriatic: A Concert of Civilizations at the End of the Modern Age by Robert Kaplan. \$38.99

Schedule of Readings

WEEK 1:

Jan 5 “Prologue: The Globe in Miniature.” *Adriatic: A Concert of Civilizations at the End of the Modern Age* by Robert Kaplan. **PDF on D2L**

Cypria

Jan 7 Chapter 1 Spume: The Birth of the Great Goddess

Chapter 2 Olive Culture: How Trade Began

Chapter 3 The Lost Kingdom of Alashiya: Diving into the Bronze Age

WEEK 2:

Jan 12 Chapter 4 Cypria: Survivors of Mycenaean Greece

Chapter 5 The Purple Ones: Phoenicians and Their Philosophy

Chapter 6 Apostle: The Cypriots Who Spread Christianity

Jan 14 Chapter 7 Monk and Cats: St Helena’s Pilgrimage

Chapter 8 Oasis: The Arab Conquest, the Empire of Cyprus and the Third Crusade

Chapter 9 The Fairytale Castle: The House of Lusignan

WEEK 3:

Jan 19 Chapter 10 Lala Mustafa Pasha: The Siege of Famagusta and the Battle of Lepanto

Chapter 11 Linen Blend: The Turkish Influence

Chapter 12 Cyprus, New York: How History Was Weaponized as “Civilization.”

Jan 21 Chapter 13 Olympians: Religious and Secular Authority in Britain's Christian Colony

Chapter 14 The Philhellene: The Burning Down of Government House

Chapter 15 Kafeneon: The Left- and Right-Wing Schism

WEEK 4:

Jan 26: Chapter 16 Bitter Lemons: The Struggle for Enosis

Chapter 17 The Battle of the Knife: The Militarisation of Cyprus

Chapter 18 The Ledra Palace Hotel: The War on Neighbours

Jan 28: Chapter 19 Ghosts: The Tragedies of 1974

Chapter 20 Ayia Napa, Ayia Nap, Ayia Napa: The Holiday from the Self

Chapter 21: Drilling for Gods: Moscow on the Med

Epilogue: The Fort

WEEK 5:

Empire

Feb 2 Introduction: Three Telling Tales of Empire

Presentations

Feb 4 The Akkadian Empire

WEEK 6:

Feb 9 The Roman Empire

Feb 11 ***CYPRIA*** JOURNALS DUE

The Umayyad and Abbasid Caliphates

WEEK 7: READING WEEK

WEEK 8: Presentations

Feb 23 The Mongol Empire

Feb 25 The Yuan Dynasty

WEEK 9: Presentations

March 2 The Aztec Empire

March 4 The Ottoman Empire

WEEK 10: Presentations

March 9 The British Empire

March 11 The Russian Empire

WEEK 11: Presentations

March 16 The American Empire

March 18 The Egyptian Empire

WEEK 12: Presentations

March 23 The Kush Empire

March 25 The Persian Empire

WEEK 13: Presentations

March 30 The Mauryan Empire

April 1 The Oyo Empire

Class Policies

D2L

I will be using D2L to post the course syllabus and announcements. All material is to be submitted for grading on D2L by the due date.

Policy on Extensions

Extensions will only be granted in emergency situations with appropriate documentation. Late assignments will be penalized 5% per day and you will receive 0% after 7 days unless prior arrangements have been made.

Academic Integrity

Academic dishonesty (for instance, plagiarism) is a serious offence. Please keep in mind that I have zero tolerance for any forms of plagiarism.