

ETHNICITY AND NATIONALISM
ANTHR 4141/6141
M, W 11:50 AM-01:10 PM , LS 107
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Major conflicts resulting in the creation of new nation-states are not a new phenomenon. Will ethnicity cease to exist as we move into the age of globalization? Will ethnic groups freely roam the globe losing their distinctiveness in the global “melting pot” or will they retain their distinct flavor in a “salad bowl”? This class will examine ethnicity and the formation of nation states in the past and present. How did the formation of the Inca state in pre-columbian Peru and its subsequent incorporation in the modern state of Peru affect the indigenous Andean? What does it mean to be a Bosnian Muslim? What are the patterns of ethnic migration in the modern world? How is the unification of Europe shaping the new notions of nation and statehood for its citizens? With the help of the unique holistic gaze of anthropology at the impact of world processes on individuals, we will attempt to answer these questions.

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TEXTS:

Thomas Hylland Eriksen 2002. Ethnicity and nationalism : anthropological perspectives London ; Boulder, Colo. : Pluto Press

Bringa, T. Being Muslim the Bosnian Way

Brettell, C. 2003. Anthropology and migration : essays on transnationalism, ethnicity, and identity. Walnut Creek, CA ; Oxford : Altamira Press

EXAMS AND GRADES:

There will be three exams, two take-home exams (each worth 60 points) and the final in class (worth 75 points) and a take-home term paper (7-10 pages; double space, font 12; worth 70 points). Each student will present one of the articles or book chapters from the assigned readings. The presentation is worth 25 points. A one-page abstract for the final project is worth 4 extra points.

Graduate students:

Exams (see above)

Research paper 10-15 pages.

Additional readings for anthropology majors.

Late papers/exams: If your paper is turned in late, 8 points will be subtracted for each day.

Exams deadlines can be changed only under special circumstances!

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