

Department of Anthropology
ANTHRO 2244G-200: Beliefs, Rituals, Taboos
BRIEF COURSE OUTLINE
Winter 2027

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Instructor and course information:

Instructor: Dr. Tania Granadillo

Method of delivery: blended.

Credit value: 0.5

Antirequisites: None.

Prerequisites: None.

Please ensure you have the correct requisites by checking [the Academic Calendar](#).

Course Description:

This course will introduce the anthropological study of religion and its key themes, definitions, and approaches. Students will examine the holistic nature of the anthropological approach towards the diverse belief systems and practices of the world. While we will not be looking at any major world religion specifically, we will see how religious thinking affects aspects of everyday life around the world. We will explore topics such as mythology, sacrifice, ritual, magic and taboo.

A full course schedule including a week-by-week breakdown of topics and assigned readings will be available on the course's OWL Brightspace site before the first day of class.

Course Materials:

No textbook

Required readings will be available through the Course Readings tool on the course site

Evaluation:

Grades will be based on the following:

Weekly Quizzes	25%
2 Exams	50%
Final Exam	25%

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