

What does it mean to be human? Introduction to Socio-Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 1140)

Course Director: Dr. Lisa Davidson Remote Delivery Course *In-Class Delivery Thursdays 12:30, attendance optional

What is culture and why does it vary? How does "race" work and how is gender made? What shapes people's ideas and experiences of themselves and others? This course will explore some of these questions to gain an understanding of the discipline of social-cultural anthropology. We will learn practical research skills through guest speakers, experiential learning, and virtual field trips that will help us realise the potential of anthropology to engage with the world around us. In Fall, we will focus on key ideas and in the Winter term, we will learn how to apply and develop these ideas to the multicultural and multiracial context of the Greater Toronto Area. This is a blended (in-class and online) course; each Thursday at 12:30, the course director will deliver an introduction to and discussion of the week's topics, questions, and concepts.