

Syllabus
ANT 3955

Study Abroad: Archaeology, Anthropology and Ethnography of Croatia

Description:

This is an intensive course in Croatian archaeology and prehistory, history, paleoanthropology, contemporary biological anthropology (e.g., genetics, physiology, population biology/demographics, growth and development) at the Institute for Anthropological Research and at two conferences and cultural anthropology (including marriage and kinship systems, religion, economics and tourism, folk arts and music, architecture, traditional medicine, food and nutrition, etc) through readings, exercises, lectures, field trips, tours and performances. Weeks 1-2 of Summer A will be a face-to-face and /or a computer-based course in preparation for Weeks 3-5 in Croatia. Final assignments are due by e-mail or hard copy on June 25.

ANT 3955 (6 credits) Study Abroad: Archaeology, Anthropology and Ethnography of Croatia (elective credit in Anthropology)

When: Summer A, 2009

Where: Weeks 1,2,6 on-line and face-to-face in the US, Weeks 3,4,5 (June 1-18) in Croatia

Course Instructors: Leslie Sue Lieberman, Ph.D., Professor of Anthropology is a biomedical anthropologist who has worked in Croatia with the Institute for Anthropological Research (IAR) since 1988. She has organized a number of the Schools of Biological Anthropology and Anthropology and Health Conferences. She was in Croatia most recently in October, 2007. She is on the Editorial Board of *Collegium Antropologicum*, a member of the Croatian Anthropological Society and in 2006 received the Gorjanovic-Kramburger Medal for contributions to Croatian Anthropology.

Prof. Dr. Pavao Rudan, Director and the faculty of the IAR, the University of Zagreb and curators at the museums will lecture. Faculty and graduate students primarily from Europe and the UK will present at the School of Biological Anthropology and at the Anthropology and Health Conference.

Grading: Based is on 200 points

Week 1

The Balkans, Yugoslavia and Croatia: Where, what, when and why? A brief geopolitical history.

Readings:

1. Zubrinic, D. 1995- 2006 *Croatia: An Overview of its History, Culture and*

Science This is a fantastic site, many linkages and even music.
<http://www.croatianhistory.net/etf/l.html>

2. Guldescu, S. 1970 *The Croatian-Slavonian Kingdom, 1526-1792.*
(selected sections)
3. Otto, T., Thrane, H. and Vandkilde, H. (eds.) 2006
Warfare and Society : Archaeological and Social Anthropological Perspectives (selected sections)

Maps (30 points) pre World War I, after WWI, post WWII , Croatia Today (fill-in maps)

Quiz (10 pts.) Open book, multiple choice, fill-in the blank, true/false
(All quizzes will follow this format.)

Week 2 Contemporary ethnography- religion, dress, food, kinship, music, art

Readings:

1. Perica, V. 2002 *Balkan Idols: Religion and Nationalism in Yugoslav States* (selected sections)
2. *Explore Croatia: Art & Literature*
<http://www.explore-croatia.net/culture/index.php>
3. *Myth*ing Links; Central & Eastern Europe: Balkans- Croatia*
<http://www.mythinglinks.org/euro~east~Balkans~Croatia.html>
covers art, dress, mythology, music with many links

Short paper (3-5 pages) on topic of choice (20 pts), 2 quizzes (20 pts)

WEEK 3 In Zagreb

Back in Time- Prehistory- Early humans and Neanderthals- Where did they come from? What happened to them? New DNA evidence. Did they have language?

Readings:

1. Shreeve, J. The Neanderthal Peace. *Discover*, 1995
2. Kunzig, R. Learning to Love Neanderthals. *Discover*, 1999
3. Hominid Evolutionary Survey – Lieberman Power Point

Morphology/ anatomy exercise (20 pts) Wolfe, Lieberman and Hutchinson, (1999) *Laboratory Textbook in Physical Anthropology, 5th ed.* , Ch 11
Quiz (20 pts)

Week 4 In Zagreb

Contemporary life- education, politics, economics, tourism

Readings:

1. *Croatian National Tourist Board* There are many specific links.
<http://www.htz.hr/English/Default.aspx>
2. *Politics*

- http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Politics_of_Croatia and
<http://www.hr/wwwhr/politics/index.en.html>
3. *Croatian Crackdown: A fight against corruption is designed to please the EU.* June 19, 2007. Check The Economist.com for other news.
http://www.economist.com/daily/news/displaystory.cfm?story_id=9356168
Notes from the School of Biological Anthropology Meeting June 10th (10 pts) 2 quizzes (20 pts)
 4. Primate Ethology Exercise during zoo trip in Zagreb
Wolfe, Lieberman, Hutchinson, *Workbook in Physical, Anthropology, 5th ed., Ch. 9.* (20 pts)

Week 5 On the Dalmation Coast- Dubrovnik and Surroundings

Includes lectures, museum and city tours tours, 2 Days of lectures
Anthropology and Health Conference
Notes from the Conference (10 points) 2 quizzes (20 points)

Week 6 Travel in Europe, Return to the US & Deliver Final Assignment.

Journal of anthropological and other reflections on experiences 2-5
pages/day (30 pts)

Archaeology, Anthropology and Ethnography of Croatia- Itinerary

Monday June 1, 2009 Arrive in Zagreb and transfer to hotel

Evening reception and in-country orientation 7-10pm

Tuesday, June 2

Morning: Tour of the Institute for Anthropological Research

Afternoon: Walking Tour of the Market & Old Zagreb
& Lecture on Zagreb History

Evening: Dinner at a Traditional Restaurant

Wednesday, June 3

Morning: Tour of Krapina, Neandertal site by Dr. Ivor Jankovic,
paleoanthropologist

Afternoon: Tour of Vindija caves and other archaeological Sites

Evening: Free

Thursday, June 4

Morning: Lecture on Croatian Archaeology & Prehistory

Afternoon: Tour of the Archaeology Museum

Evening: Theater, Dance or Opera Performance

Friday, June 5

Morning: Lecture on Croatian Ethnography and Tour Ethnographic
Museum

Afternoon: Visit to Zoo in Maksimir Park and Primate Ethology Exercise

Evening: Lecture/Discussion Croatian Politics, Economics and
Admission to the European Union

Saturday, June 6

Morning: Tour of Medvedgrad Castle and historic sites

Afternoon: Tour of other castles and historic sites

Evening: Free

Sunday, June 7

Morning: Trip to Samobor and Abby

Afternoon: Lunch with famous cuisine *Rudorska greblica and
Samoborske kremsnite*

Evening: Concert, theater, opera

Tuesday, June 8

Morning: Lecture by IAR faculty on the Dalmatian Coastal Populations

Afternoon: Trip and hiking on Slejme (highest peak)

Evening: Free

Wednesday, June 9

Morning: Tour of Mimara Museum and Strossmayer and other galleries

Afternoon: Visit to Mirogoj cemetery

Evening: Dinner with visiting anthropologists

Thursday, June 10

Morning: School of Biological Anthropology (approx. ten 45 min lectures)

Afternoon: School of Biological Anthropology
Evening: Dinner with visiting anthropologists

Friday, June 11th

Morning: Travel by bus to Dubrovnik – stops in Karlovac,
Afternoon: Plitvica Lakes and Waterfalls, traditional lunch
Evening: Arrive in Dubrovnik, dinner

Saturday, June 12- June 17 See Sasa' Itinerary

Wednesday, June 17 Return to Zagreb

Thursday, June 18 Depart Zagreb