

Anthropology 173 – Nationalism and the State
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In this course we will examine “nations” and “states” from an anthropological perspective. We will trace the emergence of the nation-state in Europe and its dissemination around the globe, with particular emphasis on national communities and state ideology in the Muslim world

Books

- Anderson, Benedict. 1991. *Imagined Communities: Reflections on the Origin and Spread of Nationalism*. New York: Verso.
- Desai, Meghnad. 2002. *Marx's revenge : the resurgence of capitalism and the death of statist socialism*. New York: Verso.
- Graeber, David. 2004. *Fragments of an anarchist anthropology*. Chicago: Prickly Paradigm Press.
- Pipes, Richard. 2001. *Communism : a history*. New York: Modern Library.

Articles

- Crawford, David. 2005. Royal Interest in Local Culture: The Politics and Potential of Morocco's Imazighen. *Nationalism and Minority Identities in Islamic Societies*, ed. Maya Shatzmiller. Montreal. McGill University Press. Pp. 164-194.
- Hammoudi, Abdelleh. 1999. The Reinvention of *Dar al-mulk*: The Moroccan Political System and Its Legitimation. *In the Shadow of the Sultan*, ed. Rahma Bourqia and Susan Gilson Miller. Cambridge, MA. Harvard University Press. Pp. 129-175.
- Lowie, Robert. 1947 [1920]. *Primitive Society*. New York. Liveright Publishing. Pp. 427-441.
- Manzanilla, Linda. 2001. State Formation in the New World. *Archaeology at the Millennium*, ed. Gary Feinman and T. Douglas Price. New York: Kluwer / Plenum Publishers. Pp. 381-413.
- Shryock, Andrew. 1996. Tribes and the Print Trade: Notes from the Margins of Literate Culture in Jordan. *American Anthropologist* 98 (1):26-40.
- Silverstein, Paul. 2005. States of Fragmentation in North Africa. *Middle East Report*. 35 (4):26-33.
- Stein, Gil. 2001. Understanding Ancient State Societies in the Old World. *Archaeology at the Millennium*, ed. Gary Feinman and T. Douglas Price. New York: Kluwer / Plenum Publishers. Pp. 353-379.
- Trouillot, Michel-Rolph. 2001. The Anthropology of the State in the Age of Globalization: Close Encounters of the Deceptive Kind. *Current Anthropology* 42 (1):125-138.
- Zubaida, Sami. 2005. Communalism and Thwarted Aspirations of Iraqi Citizenship. *Middle East Report*. 35 (4):8-11.

Grades

Students will be evaluated through four papers. The first will be worth 10% of the course grade; the final three will be worth 30% each. The first three papers will be six pages and will focus on the course readings. The final paper will be 15 pages and will apply the course readings to the case of a specific nation state approved by the instructor. The second and third papers will be peer reviewed, with peers deciding 5% of the grade and the professor the other 25%. Students unable to complete both the second and third papers may substitute one for the other, with a 5% penalty. There is no substitute for the first paper or the final paper.

Schedule of readings and assignments

April 3	Introduction: no reading assignment
April 10	Classic States: Stein and Manzanilla; adopt countries to study
April 17	Contemporary States: Silverstein, Zubaida, Trouillot (paper due)
April 24	Nations in the European Heartland: Anderson
May 1	Nations on the Move: Shryock, Crawford, Hammoudi (paper due)
May 8	Ideal States and Nationalist Ideology I: Desai
May 15	Ideal States and Nationalist Ideology II: Pipes (paper due)
May 22	Anarchy, Anthropology, and Nation-States: Lowie, Graeber
May 29	Memorial Day Holiday
June 5	Presentations of final projects (Paper due)