

## Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences



### PSP1124 Social and cultural anthropology

[30h] 3 credits

This course is not taught in 2006-2007

This course is taught in the 2nd semester

Language: French

Level: First cycle

#### Aims

- to develop a transcultural reference frame allowing the psychology students to position the theories and practices studied during their cursus.
- to supply a coherent survey of the major themes constituting the main currents of the anthropological thinking.

#### Main themes

- critical presentation of the main current methods in anthropological research
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  - c) the relationship between the cultural and the psychic
  - d) how these major themes have been considered by various schools.

#### Content and teaching methods

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#### Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Written exam

Course outline