ANTHROPOLOGY/SOCIOLOGY 346
PEOPLES OF SOUTH AMERICA
Fall 2004

Class Meetings: 11:00-11:50 MWF  Professor: Peter Ekstrom
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 especially 4:00--5:00 MW

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COURSE STATEMENT:

This course will be an introduction to the ethnography of South America with the primary focus on Amazonian peoples. The cultural, political, and historical contexts of their lives will be studied and discussed as they are played out in the tropical Amazonian environment. Close attention will be paid to that critical space where socio-political interaction takes place, history is made, and where their world and ours intersect and the future is negotiated/contested. Participatory learning is assumed for a course of this type - it is not a spectator sport.

REQUIRED READING:

The Spears Of Twilight, Philippe Descola

SHAMANISM, COLONIALISM, AND THE WILD MAN, Michael Taussig

Handouts and reserved readings as they apply

PARTICIPATION AND EVALUATION:

Exam I-------------------------------20%
Exam II-----------------------------35%
Exam III-----------------------------35%
Participation-----------------------10%

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day      date        comment
Wednesday August 25  Introduction to course
Friday  27  Natural History/Geography—Wilson, ch. 3, part of ch. 4
Monday  30  Natural History/Geography
Wednesday  September 1  Natural History/Geography
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