

FAMILIES IN GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

HDFS 220 / ANTH 210

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11 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.

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Student Comments:

“Great class, great teacher.”

“My favorite Gen-Ed.”

“Instructor is knowledgeable and passionate about this subject.”

“Wonderful course! Thoroughly enjoyed.”

ABOUT THIS COURSE

Course Goals: To give students an **international perspective on families**. In the 21st century, families are increasingly affected by factors that extend across traditional national and cultural boundaries. This course uses globalization as an analytical framework to explore the factors (e.g., economic, political, cultural, social) that affect families living in different countries.

Course Format: The course incorporates a dynamic mix of lectures, video case studies, discussions and in-class activities.

Sample topics. Students will learn how families are affected by the globalization of ideas (e.g., views about gender relations and child development transmitted through the media); global market forces (e.g., globalization of labor and transnational employment); and international development initiatives (e.g., the Sustainable Development Goals). We will also consider variations among families in different parts of the globe and examine variations due to historical, political, and cultural contexts.

This course satisfies the General Education Criteria for:
Cultural Studies: Non-Western and Social and Behavioral Sciences.