# ANTH 2850A: Anthropology of Development

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## COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will provide a broad overview of contemporary development issues, theoretical debates and practical challenges in international development and globalization. It aims at familiarizing the students with different concepts, theories, and practices of development as well as the methodological challenges and issues in international development. A few case studies will be explored to highlight the theoretical gap that has impacted the lives of working people, women, and indigenous peoples in the developing world.

## EVALUATION

| **Assignments** | **weight** |
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| Reading Reflection | 20 % |
| Discussion Forum | 20% |
| Final Research paper | 30% |
| Final Take Home Exam | 30% |

## TEXT

This course does not have a textbook**.** All reading materials are available through ARES and online library of Carleton. The link is provided in the bright space. Selected readings are listed below.

De Saardan, O. (2005) 'The Socio-Anthropology of Development,' in *Anthropology and Development: Understanding contemporary Social Change*. London & New York: Zed Book. Pp. 23-41.

Arturo Escobar (1991) 'Anthropology and the Development Encounter: Making and Marketing of Development Anthropology. *American Ethnologist* Vol.18(4): 658-682

Schaer, Haslam and Beaudet (2017) "Meaning, "Measurement and Mortality in International Development", in Haslam, A. P., Schafer, J. and Beaudet, P. (Eds.) *Introduction to International Development: Approaches, Actors and Issues*. pp. 2-24

Watt, A.C. (2011) "The Relevance and Complexity of Civilizing Missions c. 1800-2010", in Mann, M. & Watt, A.C. (Eds.) *Civilizing Mission in Colonial and Postcolonial South Asia: from Improvement to Development*. pp.1- 34

Harris, J. (2014) 'Development Theories", in Alder, B., Kanbur, R. Malone, D. & Medhora, R. (Eds.) *International Development: Ideas, Experience and Prospects*, pp. 35-49

Ngaire, W. (2008) "Whose Aid? Whose Influence? China, Emerging Donors and the Silent Revolution" *Development Assistance International Affairs*, Vol. 84(6): pp. 1-17

Saidul, I& Hui, S. L. (2015) "When nature strikes a sociology of climate change and disaster vulnerabilities in Asia", *Nature and Culture*, Vol. 10(1) pp. 57-81