Economic Anthropology (Economics 539, Anthropology 539)
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Required Texts

1. Manning Nash, Primitive and Peasant Economic Systems
   (Chandler-paper-1966)
2. Karl Polanyi, C.M. Arensberg, H.W. Pearson (eds.) Trade and Markets in the
   Early Empires (Free Press-hard-1957)
3. P.J. Bohannan and George-Dalton, Markets in Africa
   (Doubleday Anchor-paper-1965)
4. Bronislaw Malinowski, Argonauts of the Western Pacific
   (Dutton-paper-1961-original 1922)
5. Bronislaw Malinowski, Crime and Custom in Savage Society
   (Littlefield, Adams-paper-1959- original 1926)
6. Melville Herskovits, Economic Anthropology
   (Norton-paper-1965-original 1952)
7. American Ethnological Society, Essays in Economic Anthropology
   (Univ. of Washington Press-paper-1965)

Required Bobbs-Merrill Reprints

   (AA 1961, pp. 1-25)
2. A-18, Paul Bohannan, "Some Principles of Exchange and Investment among the
   Tiv" (AA 1955, pp. 60-70)
3. A-151, Bronislaw Malinowski, "The Primitive Economics of the Trobriand
   Islanders" (Economic Journal, 1921, pp. 1-16)
4. A-86, M. Gluckman, "How the Bemba Make Their Living"
   (Rhodes-Livingstone Institute Journal, 1945, pp. 55-67)
5. A-276, Robbina Burling, "Maximization Theories and the Study of Economic
   Anthropology" (AA 1962, pp. 802-821)
6. S-224, Karl Polanyi, "Our Obsolete Market Mentality"
   (Commentary 1947, pp. 109-117)
7. S-229, Robert Redfield, "The Folk Society" (American Journal of Sociology
   1947, pp. 293-308)
8. S-544, Eric R. Wolf "Types of Latin American Peasantry"
   (AA, 1955, pp. 452-71)

Students who feel that they might like to "go on" in Economic Anthropology will find,
at the end of this syllabus, a bibliography of books to give them some guidance.
Students who may come to feel an extra-special interest in the field should definitely
read the following list of books and regularly consult the listed journals as a
minimum.

Books

1. H. Thurnwald, Economics of Primitive Communities
2. R. Firth, Primitive Polynesian Economy
3. R. Firth, Economics of the New Zealand Maori
5. K. Polanyi, The Great Transformation
6. H. Codere, Fighting With Property
7. Robert Redfield, The Primitive World and Its Transformation
8. C.E. Ayres, The Theory of Economic Progress
9. C.E. Ayres, Towards A Reasonable Society: the values of Industrial Civilization
Journals

A. Of Most Direct Interest

1. American Anthropologist (AA)
2. Ethnology (E)
3. Human Organization (HO)
4. Economic Development and Cultural Change (EDCC)
5. American Journal of Economics and Sociology (AJES)
6. Current Anthropology (CA)
7. Africa (A)
8. International Social Science Journal (ISSJ)
9. Rhodes-Livingstone Journal (RLJ)
10. Man (M)
11. Southwestern Journal of Anthropology (SJA)
12. Journal of Economic History (JEH)
13. Economic History Review (EHR)
14. Technology and Culture (TC)

B. With occasional articles of direct interest

1. American Economic Review (AER)
2. Kyklos (K)
3. Quarterly Journal of Economics (QJE)
4. Journal of Political Economy (JPE)
5. Diogenes (D)
6. Transaction (T)

Most of the books listed below are on closed reserve in the Reserve Reading Room in Waldo Library. Some of these materials would be impossible to replace so use them with great care.

I. Contentious Theoretical Issues: Characteristics of Industrial Capitalism that distinguish it from other developmental forms.

1. George Dalton, "Economic Theory and Primitive Society" (Bobbs-Merrill Reprint)
3. Karl Polanyi, The Great Transformation Chapters 4, 5, 6 (pp. 43-76) and also pp. 269-279.
6. Thorstein Veblen, "Industrial and Pecuniary Employmens" The Place of Science in Modern Civilization pp. 279-323.
7. C.E. Ayres, The Theory of Economic Progress Chapters 6, 7, 8, 9.
III. Distinguishing Characteristics: Socio-Economic Analysis and Ethnography.

Elements of primitive economy: transactional modes; land allocation; labor allocation; work organization; internal transactions of products and services; external transactions; tools, wealth, and "capital"; technology and primary subsistence source; special transactions (primitive money, brideswealth, blood-wealth, potlatch); spheres and conversions; operational devices...

1. M. Gluckman, "How the Bemba Make Their Living" (Bobbs-Merrill Reprint)
6. From Trade and Markets in the Early Empires
   a. Chapter 5, Polanyi "Aristotle Discovers The Economy"
   b. Chapter 7, Chapman "Port of Trade Enclaves in Aztec and Maya Civilizations"
   c. Chapter 8, Arnold, "A Port of Trade: Whydah on the Guinea Coast"
   d. Chapter 11, Neale, "Reciprocity and Redistribution in The Indian Village: Sequel to Some Notable discussions"
   e. Chapter 12, Polanyi, Arensberg, Pearson, "The Place of Economics in Societies"
   f. Chapter 13, Polanyi, "The Economy as Instituted Process"
7. M. Mauss, The Gift: Forms and Functions of Exchange in Archaic Societies (a classic work in economic anthropology. The text is only 81 pages but the footnotes should also be read).
10. R. Gray, "The Sonjo" Markets in Africa
14. B. Malinowski, "The Primitive Economics of the Trobriand Islanders" (Bobbs-Merrill Reprint).
15. B. Malinowski, Argonauts of the Western Pacific Chapters 3,6,14,19,22.
16. B. Malinowski, Crime and Custom In Savage Society
17. B. Malinowski, part one; part two, chapter 6; chapter 11 section 4; Chapter 12 Coral Gardens and Their Magic (above materials in volume 1).
18. J. Singh Uberoi, The Politics of the Kula Ring
IV. Peasant Economies and Problems of Socio-Economic Change in Subsistence and Peasant Communities

1. Oscar Handlin, "Peasant Origins" Chapter 1 The Uprooted (paper)
2. Robert Redfield, "The Folk Society" (Bobbs-Merrill Reprint)
3. Eric R. Wolf, "Types of Latin American Peasantry" (Bobbs-Merrill Reprint)
4. M.G. Smith, "The Hausa," in Markets in Africa
5. P.H. Gulliver, "The Arusha," in Markets in Africa
8. S.C. Dube, Indian Village Chapter 3 "Economic Structure."
9. T. Scarlett Epstein, Economic Development and Social Change in South India Chapters 2,5
11. R. Firth, "Social Change in Peasant Communities" in Elements of Social Organization