

ALLAMA IQBAL OPEN UNIVERSITY, ISLAMABAD

(Department of Gender & Women Studies)

WARNING

- 1. Plagiarism or hiring of ghost writer(s) for solving the assignment(s) will debar the student from the award of degree/certificate, if found at any stage".**
- 2. Submitting assignment(s) borrowed or stolen from other(s) as one's own, will be penalized as defined in "AIOU Plagiarism Policy".**

Course: Introduction to Anthropology (9169)

Semester: Autumn: 2025

Level: BS (4 years).

Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments.

(AD, BS, BEd, MA/MSc, MEd) (ODL Mode)

1. All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks but within a question, the marks are distributed according to its requirements.
2. Read the question carefully and then answer it according to the requirements of the question.
3. Avoid irrelevant discussion/information and reproducing from books, study guide or allied material.
4. Hand written scanned assignments are not acceptable.
5. Upload you typed (in Word or PDF format) assignments on or before the due date.
6. Your own analysis and synthesis will be appreciated.
7. Late assignments can't be uploaded at LMS.
8. The students who attempt their assignments in Urdu/Arabic may upload a scanned copy of their hand written assignments (in PDF format) on University LMS. The size of the file should not exceed 5 MB.

Please read these instructions before preparing the assignments

1. Please understand the question and write in your own words by arranging your answer with an introduction, main discussion with subtopics and conclusion.
2. Copying from books, internet etc. is not allowed. If any viewpoint is copied from any source, it should be properly acknowledged.

Total Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 50

ASSIGNMENT No. 1

(Units: 1-5)

Note: Attempt all questions

Q.1 Discuss in detail the main subfields of socio-cultural anthropology. (20)

Q.2 Define culture and explain its key characteristics. (20)

Q.3 Describe the historical development of human geography and its major types in detail. (20)

Q.4 Provide a detailed explanation of ethnography as a research method. (20)

Q.5 Discuss the aspects of family and marriage systems that have changed in your region. Which of these changes can be considered positive, and which ones negative? (20)

Total Marks: 100

Pass Marks: 50

ASSIGNMENT No. 2

(Units: 6-9)

Q.1 What are the fundamental functions of religion? Discuss them in detail, providing examples. (20)

Q.2 How can women be studied and understood through an anthropological perspective? Explain with detailed examples. (20)

Q.3 Discuss how globalization has influenced languages in the contemporary world. (20)

Q.4 Explain the formalist and substantivist debate in economic anthropology in detail. (20)

Q.5 Write short notes on the following topics (20)

- Modes of production
- Urbanization