



SOUTHEAST ASIA CENTER

SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

COURSE LIST

Summer 2015

ANTHROPOLOGY

[ANTH 352](#)

MTWThF B-term 1:10–3:20

Buddhism and Society

LOW 205

5 cr

LOWE

Religious tradition of Theravada Buddhism (as practiced in Sri Lanka, Burma, Thailand, Laos, and Cambodia). Variations in ethical orientations developed through Theravada Buddhist ideas.

COMPARITIVE HISTORY OF IDEAS

[CHID 480](#)

MTWTh 1:10-3:20 A-Term

Comparitive Colonialism

LOW 102

5 cr

RAFAEL

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[JSIS A 221](#)

TTh Full-Term 9:10-11:20

History of Southeast Asia

EEB 105

5 cr

MOK

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[JSIS B 338](#)

MTWThF B-Term 9:40-11:50

Biosecurity

SAV 164

5 cr

LOWE

Examines relations between life and safety as a new focus of study in the human sciences. Pays attention to the reframing of international health, food security, environmental change, migration, etc., in security terms. Focuses on both present practical issues of biosecurity and the concept of “security” itself.

HISTORY

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