

Dr. Burnet's **Original** Learning Outcomes:

This course introduces a critical approach to war and its relationship to society. It is designed with three main learning goals in mind:

- (1) to introduce the methods anthropologists use to understand social institutions such as the military;
- (2) to learn how to engage in critical social analysis,
- (3) to introduce the idea that war and war preparation cannot be understood as simply the result of the motivations of combatants or the strategies of political and military elites, and
- (4) to study the processes of militarization.

Dr. Burnet's **Revised** Learning Outcomes After:

This course introduces an anthropological perspective on war (and peace) and its relationship to society. The course will explore, in depth, the methods anthropologists use to analyze culture and social institutions.

Upon successful completing of the course, students will be able to:

- (1) explain and apply fundamental **concepts** such as war, peace, militarization, genocide, gender, political economy, and terrorism.
- (2) analyze, interpret and evaluate a wide variety of **information** (scholarly publications, eyewitness testimony, ethnographic films, etc.), **assumptions**, and arguments about war and peace.
- (3) demonstrate their mastery of these **concepts** by undertaking **autonomous** research and writing a **clear**, **precise**, and **accurate** paper on a **relevant question** about war (or peace) and society or culture.

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**Elements of Reasoning**

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**Intellectual Standards**

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**Intellectual Traits**

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critical thinking **[Elements]**,  
**[Standards]**, or **[Traits]**

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