

Fall 2014  
Course Announcement

**ANTH 4800-001**  
**Special Topics: Introduction to the Living Primates**

“A survey of primate diversity”  
3 credit hours No prerequisites



**Instructor:** Dr. Nanda Grow  
**Time:** 5:30-6:45pm **Location:** Old Main 115



The goal of this course is to explore the fascinating nature of our nonhuman primate relatives and their relevance to anthropology. This course will provide you with an overview of the diverse anatomy, behavior, social systems, and geographic distributions seen in the world's living primates. We will explore the causes for variation both within and between different types of primates, looking at the broad questions that currently challenge scientists:

- *How are primates related to one another?*
- *Why do different primates have different grouping, mating, and parenting strategies?*
- *How does primate diversity relate to ecology, geography, and social factors?*
- *What do different primates find attractive in a mate?*
- *What are the similarities between humans and primates?*
- *Are all primates good parents?*
- *How do primates stay safe?*
- *How do primates get enough to eat?*
- *How do primates communicate?*
- *Do some primates use tools?*
- *Do primates have culture?*
- *Why are apes so intelligent?*
- *What threatens primate populations?*

This course is offered through the Anthropology Program but has relevance to biological disciplines outside of anthropology.