

Module code	AZ-2305		
Module Title	Society, Culture and Economy		
Degree/Diploma	Bachelor of Arts (Sociology and Anthropology)		
Type of Module	Major Option		
Modular Credits	4	Total student workload	8 hours/week
		Contact hours	4 hours/week
Prerequisite	None		
Anti-requisite	None		
Aims To introduce students to the ways in which the processes of production, distribution and consumption are organized in different types of societies. The module focuses on the social and cultural dimensions of economic life. It challenges many of the assumptions of conventional economics by analysing economic behaviour from a cross-cultural perspective.			
Learning Outcomes: <i>On successful completion of this module, a student will be expected to be able to:</i>			
Lower order :	30%	- Clarify the basic concepts, theories and debates involving society, culture and economy - Clarify the links between sociology & anthropology and economics	
Middle order :	50%	- Identify the different sociological and anthropological approaches to the study of economic life - Identify the key sociological and anthropological concepts and perspectives to the analysis of production, distribution and consumption	
Higher order:	20%	- Critically assess and effectively communicate the results of a sociological and anthropological approach to economic life.	
Module Content <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Introduction to society, culture and economy- Theoretical approaches to understanding economic life- Definitions of the economy: formalist vs. substantivist- Systems of production: production of subsistence and production for exchange- The historical transformations of work in pre-industrial, industrial and post-industrial societies- Systems of distribution: reciprocity, redistribution and market exchange- Money in a cross-cultural and historical perspective- Entrepreneurship- The changing relation between persons and things: from gift to commodity- Consumption and identity: are we what we consume?- The dilemmas of consumption			
Assessment	Formative assessment	Weekly discussion and feedback	
	Summative assessment	Examination: 50% Coursework: 50% Participation in tutorials (5%) 1 Group research project report (30%) 1 Individual Presentation (10%) 1 Class test (5%)	