

CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY – COURSE OVERVIEW _ 06

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Cultural Anthropology – VI. Anthropology of food. FOOD AS MEDICINE

A. An introduction to food anthropology.

Medicine and Food cluster address tangible and intangible heritage, comparative cultural studies and migration of peoples, craft technics and ideas and it is the intended contribution to Humanities and Medical Disciplines.

“Nutrition as a biological process is more fundamental than sex. In the life of the individual organism it is the more primary and recurrent physical want, while in the wider sphere of human society it determines, more largely than any other physiological function, the nature of the social groupings, and the form of their activities take.” Audrey I. Richards, *Hunger and Work in a Savage Tribe*

B. A three-level analysis of the concept of food

- I. Satisfying the Hunger
- II. Questions of taste
- III. Incorporation and consequences

SUGGESTED READINGS

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