ANTH 300–History of Anthropological Theory Preliminary Bibliography

(due Friday, March 23rd) Worth 2% of final grade

You will be writing a research paper that examines the fieldwork, theoretical orientation, and contribution to the field of anthropology by the anthropologist whom you study. It should be based on your reading of the person's major works, on biographical materials about that person, on critical reviews of that person's major works, and on discussions of that anthropologist by other scholars.

Putting together a bibliography several weeks before your research paper is due (on Monday, April 23rd) will help you to get started in a timely manner and will enable you see what sources are available and the efforts you must make to get hold of them.

Your preliminary bibliography . . .

- should contain at least ten sources that you will potentially consult when writing your research paper. These ten sources should be in addition to the Moore book and the exegesis that you have been assigned in this class.
- should NOT contain Internet sites as one of your ten minimal sources.
- should NOT be limited to items that are easily available (in other words, don't limit yourself to books available in Musselman or articles available full-text through library databases). Make an effort to request articles and books through Interlibrary Loan (ILL) or EZ-Borrow (ask a reference librarian for help with this).
- should be formatted according to the American Anthropological Association Style Guide (see the document "<u>Citations Conventions in Anthropology</u>" posted on our department's webpage).
- * Be prepared for feedback from me: If I see a significant work not listed you will possibly lose points, and I will suggest you get hold of it.
- * * Note that "consulting" items does not necessarily mean reading them cover-to-cover. Use each item appropriately by considering how it will help you to attain your final goal—writing a thoughtful, well-researched paper on the life and ideas of a major anthropologist. So if the item is extremely important, read it in its entirety; if only part of it is relevant then use the index (if it is a book) or skim it to see what parts you must read.

Sources to consult:

- Major works by "your" anthropologist: Look at the bibliography at the end of Moore's article on your anthropologist for a list of the major works (which he discusses in his chapter on that anthropologist).
- Books (autobiographies and memoirs) on your anthropologist: L To find books specifically on your anthropologist, you have three avenues to explore:

- A) look at the bibliography at the end of Moore's article on your anthropologist
- B) Search for books in Muscat. I have ordered many biographies and memoirs about and by anthropologists, so much will be available right here on campus.
- C) Search for books in the database "WorldCat," which contains just about every book ever published, and will thus be the best way to pinpoint more obscure works that might pertain to your anthropologist. In the "WorldCat" databse, select "Subject" and type the name of person. If the book is available in Musselman Library it will indicate this. If not (and please pursue the book even if this is the case), order the book through ILL. Note that if you only search MUSCAT you may be disappointed (and so will I) since Musselman Library does **not** have a complete anthropology collection.
- <u>Essays, chapters, and articles on the history of anthropology:</u> Often contemporary anthropologists write essays on historical figures within anthropology. To find such articles,
 - A) Consult the books on the history of anthropology that are available on reserve in Mussulman library. See the document "Library Resources" that I handed out at the beginning of class and that is also available on Angel.
 - B) type the name of "your" anthropologist, or the school of thought to which he or she belongs, in the subject field of the databases "Academic Search Elite" or "Anthropological Literature" and see what you come up with.
 - C) Look in the anthropology encyclopedias in Mussulman Library for entries on your anthropologist or the school of thought to which he/she belongs. See the document "Library Resources" that I handed out at the beginning of class and that is also available on Angel.
- Book Reviews or Obituaries: for those anthropologists who are more current (those we read after the mid-term, who are still alive or who died fairly recently), there may not be books written about them. However, by investigating book reviews and by reading obituaries you can learn a lot.
 - A) To find book reviews, find out the name of the major book(s) that "your" anthropologist wrote. Type the name of the book into the database "**Academic Search Elite**" and see what book reviews came up. An alternative is to ask a reference library for help finding reviews of that book.
 - B) To find obituaries, find out the year that the anthropologist in question died. Then type the name of the anthropologist into the database "Academic Search Elite" and delimit your search by with the year (s)he died up to five years.
- * note: the Internet will be of minimal use in this project, since it provides only superficial

information that will be far less substantive that what has already been presented in the Moore book.

* for our department's guide on doing library research in anthropology, <u>click here</u> (contains direct links to all of the library databases mentioned here).