

Anthropological Theory

COVID-19 - EXTRA CREDIT- COVID-19, your experiences and observation, and anthropology

This is a discussion topic for your extra credits for the course (10 points) and a place for you to share your own experiences, observation and thoughts on COVID-19 and various situations, esp. socio-cultural ones - caused by this outbreak? Feel free to post anything. I would also like to discuss what is the role of anthropology and anthropologists in this situation?



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Hannah, thank you for sharing your thoughts! Like your grandmother, mine is also afraid of leaving her house during this pandemic. My grandmother is also very active in our church community, so to hear her say that she has stopped going for the time being to prevent the spread of illness was shocking to me.

I also really appreciate your comments about the current state of humanity during this crisis. I have seen so many posts recently about how this pandemic is effecting our elderly population (and other disadvantaged individuals) and it breaks my heart, not only for those who I care about deeply but also for those I don't know at all. I saw a post from a man who overheard an older gentleman ask a grocery store employee where the eggs were and when he was told that there weren't any left, he began to cry looking at his shopping list which only had "eggs" written on it. Thinking about all the people selfishly panic buying much more than they (and their families) can consume on their own has me fuming on behalf of all those who are struggling through this. As you mentioned, the greed we're witnessing has me completely baffled and infuriated and almost hopeless.

I'm trying to remain calm through all of this, but it is so difficult when nearly every article or post I come across is so heavily negative.



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