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Review

Fresh, exciting, relevant and extremely useful to students and faculty alike. (Praise from Previous Edition)--Lee D. Baker, Duke University"

Lassiter's introduction to anthropology promises to keep deep and strong contact with real currents of today's life and to pull students into those currents. (Praise from Previous Edition)--James L. Peacock III, author, *The Anthropological Lens*; University of North Carolina; former president, American Anthropological Association; and chair, Committee formulating the 1998 AAA code of ethics"

Seldom have students announced in class that they enjoyed reading a text book, yet my students did this very thing, raving about *Invitation to Anthropology*'s ease of use, small, size, and, more importantly, how clearly it presented the concepts of cultural anthropology. (Praise from Previous Edition)--Sebastian LeBeau II, Minnesota State University - Mankato"

Lassiter offers a fresh and accessible approach to anthropology for both the academic and the non-specialist. His evangelical message about the relevance of anthropology is timely and engaging. Moving beyond the popular stereotypes of Indiana-Jones-ish anthropologists documenting fertility dances among remote tribes, Lassiter illustrates the varied and valuable applications of the anthropological perspective for real world problems on the local, regional and global scale. (Praise from Previous Edition)--Celeste Ray, University of the South"

The writing is lively, the illustrations and examples are engaging and relevant. I would absolutely recommend it to colleagues. (Praise from Previous Edition)--Colleen E. Boyd, Ball State University"

I was looking for a relatively small-sized text, so that other readings could be assigned; one that is not organized by 'band, tribe, chiefdom, state' and 'hunters and gatherers, horticulturalists, etc.' but that does contain basic information about the differences these types of cultures bring with them; and a text that deals with methods and explores what it means to be an anthropologist. I found all three in *Invitation to Anthropology*. --Melinda Bollar Wagner, Radford University"

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