

ASEM 2410  
**THE CULTURED APE**  
Spring 2020

**Possible Research Topic Areas**

*What would an evolutionary understanding of human nature—i.e., a view of life that acknowledges humankind’s heritage as “Cultured Apes”—say about the following? What would it produce in the way of an “evolutionary pragmatics” for dealing with the issue?*

*This list is not exhaustive! Other topics are possible.*

Addictive behavior  
Terrorism/Mass murder  
Suicide  
Crime and punishment (e.g., solitary confinement)  
Medicine/medical practice  
Love, Marriage, Divorce  
Homosexuality/Gay Marriage  
Sexual infidelity/adultery  
Sexual harassment and violence  
Prostitution/Pay for sex  
Parenting  
Diet  
Education  
Social media/electronic communication  
Consumer behavior/Marketing  
Depression  
Racial prejudice/Xenophobia  
War and Ethnic conflict  
Altruism and self-sacrifice  
Political ideology  
Religious belief  
Gender inequality (e.g., in the workplace)  
International relations/security  
Urban design (parks, architecture)  
Sports and Competition  
Organizational behavior (e.g., within business fields)