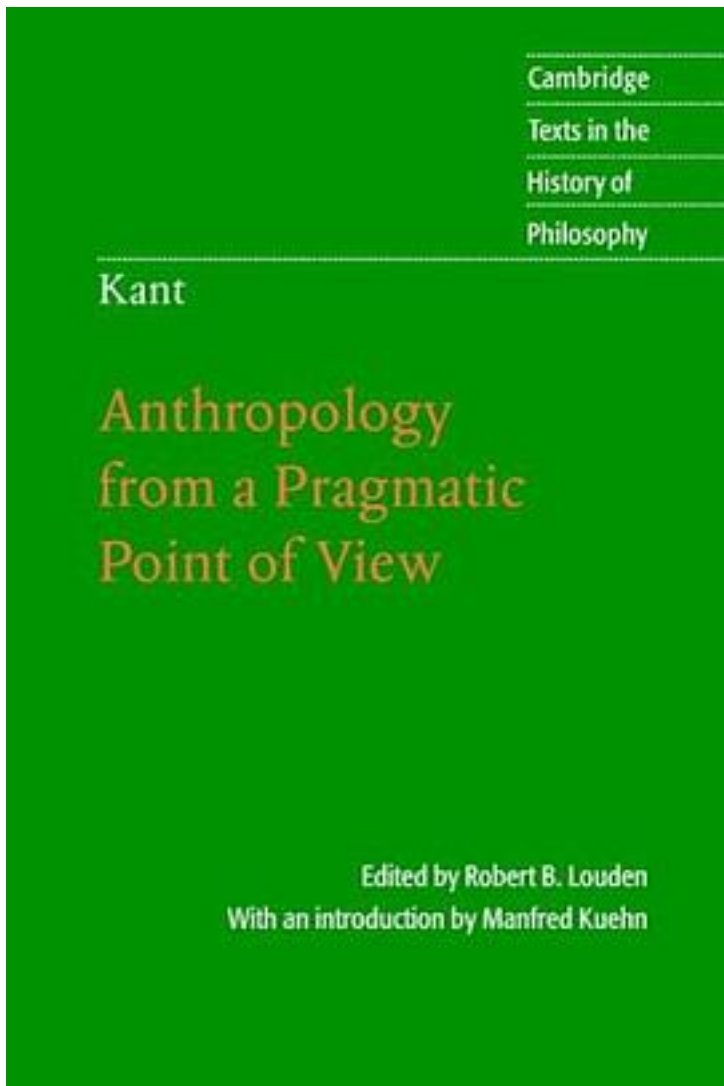


Anthropology from a Pragmatic Point of View



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In the fall semester of 1772/73 at the Albertus University of Königsberg, Immanuel Kant, metaphysician and professor of logic and metaphysics, began lectures on anthropology, which he continued until 1776, shortly before his retirement from public life. His lecture notes and papers were first published in 1798, eight years after the publication of the "Critique of Judgment," the third of his famous "Critiques." The present edition of the "Anthropology" is a translation of the text found in volume 7 of "Kants gesammelte Schriften," edited by Oswald Kulpe. Kant describes the "Anthropology" as a systematic doctrine of the knowledge of humankind. (He does not yet distinguish between the academic discipline of anthropology as we understand it today and the philosophical.) Kant's lectures stressed the "pragmatic" approach to the subject because he intended to establish pragmatic anthropology as a regular academic discipline. He differentiates the physiological knowledge of the human race--the investigation of "what Nature makes of man"--from the pragmatic--"what man as a free being makes of himself, what he can make of himself, and what he ought to make of himself." Kant believed that anthropology teaches the knowledge of humankind and makes us familiar with what is pragmatic, not speculative, in relation to humanity. He shows us as world citizens within the context of the cosmos. Summarizing the cloth edition of the "Anthropology," Library Journal concludes: "Kant's allusions to such issues as sensation, imagination, judgment, (aesthetic) taste, emotion, passion, moral character, and the character of the human species in regard to the ideal of a cosmopolitan society make this work an important resource for English readers who seek to grasp the connections among Kant's metaphysics of nature, metaphysics of morals, and political theory. The notes of the editor and translator, which incorporate material from Ernst Cassirer's edition and from Kant's "marginalia" in the original manuscript, shed considerable light on the text."

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一星给译者。这位著名的康德译者在再版序中说这本书是80年代练习德语时翻译的，那再版时本应详加校译，可惜译者似乎并没有这样做。最近看德文原文时想到把这本汉译翻出来对照着看，没想到发现几乎每一页都有不少的错误。例如：术语混译（例ss4 Vorstellingskraft与Einbildungsk...

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