Bringing Back Holism- Anthropologists and Service Design

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The application of established design process to the development of services across environments, communications, products, and people.
What else for design anthropologists?

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Human-centered design

“Human-centered design is a creative approach to problem solving and the backbone of our work at IDEO.org. It’s a process that starts with the people you’re designing for and ends with new solutions that are tailor made to suit their needs. Human-centered design is all about building a deep empathy with the people you’re designing for; generating tons of ideas; building a bunch of prototypes; sharing what you’ve made with the people you’re designing for; and eventually putting your innovative new solution out in the world.”

IDEO
“The User”

“The Customer”/“The Client”
“The Users”
Redesigning Services
For “Just Coping” Families in Kent
"[we should]...be looking at divergent developments of values that hold between social formations that in fact share a fundamental commitment, recognized or not, to holism. Furthermore, if the work of individualism, where it is a value, is never finished, then individualist formations must of necessity be dynamic ones—ones in which individualism struggles to gain ground, producing social and ideological movement as it sometimes advances and sometimes retreats from domains it endeavors to organize." (2015:174)
Holistic thinking+ methods → Humanity-centered design
Thank you.
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