

MASTER'S PROGRAM IN SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Anthropology deals with the entire range of human social and cultural phenomena in places ranging from corporate boardrooms and think tanks in major cities to rural markets and war zones in the hinterlands of globalisation. Anthropology inquires into the different ways in which societies are organised and how people make sense of the worlds in which they live. In short, anthropology asks what it means to be human.



The Department of Social Anthropology at Stockholm University is a worldleading research institution, especially in the field of transnational anthropology.

The Master's program embodies the Department's commitment to understanding the ways that objects, values, ideas and people travel across political and cultural borders, challenging, reinforcing or redrawing them in the process.

Outline YEAR 1

Term 1 Courses:

History and Philosophy of Anthropological Theory, 15 credits

Key Themes in Contemporary Anthropology, 15 credits

Term 2 Examples of courses offered:
Media Anthropology, 7.5 credits
Anthropological Perspectives on Organisations, 7.5 credits
Medical Anthropology, 7.5 credits
Digital Anthropology, 7.5 credits
Transnational Migration, 7.5 credits
Sustainable Futures: New Directions in Environmental
Anthropology, 7.5 credits
Anthropology of the Global Economy, 7.5 credits
Urban Anthropology: Cities in the Middle East, 7.5 credits

Each student chooses four courses. The courses on offer can vary from year to year. One or two courses may be exchanged for suitable courses in related disciplines.

Students also take part in our Writing Anthropology

Workshop which runs throughout their first year of study.

YEAR 2

Term 3 Courses: Individual tutorial course, 7.5 credits Anthropological Methods, 7.5 credits Fieldwork, 15 credits

The tutorial course is based on individual readings related to the thesis topics. The methods course teaches fieldwork skills and has a strong practical orientation. Fieldwork is conducted for about two months, and concludes with a written field report.

Term 4
Writing a Master's thesis, 30 credits

The Master's thesis is based on the fieldwork material and relevant literature. Each student receives an assigned supervisor.

Requirements and Application

Bachelor's degree (equivalent to a Swedish Kandidatexamen/180 HE credits) in Anthropology or the equivalent in the social or cultural sciences. For English language competence, see www.universityadmissions. se. You can apply through www.universityadmissions.se. The program starts in late August. Please see our website, www.socant.su.se, for more details.