



University of Pretoria Yearbook 2021

BSocSciHons Anthropology (01243016)

Department Anthropology and Archaeology

Minimum duration of study 1 year

Total credits 120

NQF level 08

Programme information

The honours degree entails one year of full-time study and comprises of coursework, ethnographic field research and examinations, as well as a research report of 10 000 words based on field research which must be completed by the end of the academic year.

Students must conduct at least 5 weeks of fieldwork and are also required to attend departmental seminars.

Admission requirements

1. Relevant bachelor's degree with specialisation in anthropology
2. A weighted average of at least 65% in Anthropology at final-year level **but** students with 70% or more for Anthropology at final-year level will receive preference

Note: Additional work/modules may be required in order to reach the desired level of competency.

Additional requirements

- If deemed necessary additional modules will be required.
- Students with a mark between 60% and 65% could be considered under special conditions. Apply to programme manager(s).



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Research methodology in anthropology 755 (APL 755)

Module credits	20.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 other contact session per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Anthropology and Archaeology
Period of presentation	Quarter 1 or 2 or 3 or 4

Module content

Theory and practice of participant observation. Other techniques of data collection used by anthropologists. Organisation and use of field notes. Reflexivity and fieldwork. Practical application of research methods.

Politics of identity 756 (APL 756)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 other contact session per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Anthropology and Archaeology
Period of presentation	Quarter 2

Module content

This module builds on the anthropological and ethnographic knowledge students have acquired. With reference to contemporary anthropological theories, students will deepen their insights into the world around them and the discipline itself. This will aid in the development of critical thinking and problem solving skills from a contemporary anthropological perspective.

Contemporary ethnography 761 (APL 761)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 other contact session per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English



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Period of presentation	Quarter 3
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Module content

The production of ethnographic texts, reflexivity in ethnographic writing, postmodernism, contemporary concerns about ethnographic texts and the “crisis of representation”. A critical reading of three recent ethnographies.

Research report: Anthropology 770 (APL 770)

Module credits	40.00
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NQF Level	08
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Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
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Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
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Period of presentation	Year
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Module content

The honours degree entails one year of full-time study and comprises of coursework, ethnographic field research and examinations as well as a research report of between 12,000 to a maximum of 15,000 words based on field research which must be completed by the end of the academic year.

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