

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

BSocSciHons Anthropology (01243000)

Duration of study 1 year

Total credits 120

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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

- A relevant bachelor's degree with a major in Anthropology.
- An average of at least 65% in the Anthropology major of the preceding bachelor's degree.

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

Fundamental modules

Research methodology in anthropology 755 (APL 755)

Module credits	20.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week, 1 other contact session per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	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	20.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 other contact session per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Anthropology and Archaeology
Period of presentation	Quarter 1 or 2 or 3 or 4

Module content

Globalisation and localisation. Multiculturalism and its multiple meanings. Politics of identity in the postmodern age of neo-liberal capitalism.

Research report: Anthropology 770 (APL 770)

Module credits	40.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Language of tuition	Both Afr and Eng
Academic organisation	Anthropology and Archaeology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

A limited ethnographic research project on an approved topic, leading to an research report.

Core modules

Urban anthropology 754 (APL 754)

Module credits	20.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 other contact session per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Anthropology and Archaeology
Period of presentation	Quarter 1 or 2 or 3 or 4

Module content

Anthropology of money and economy

This module entails an examination of anthropological approaches to the conceptualization and study of economic institutions and processes involved in production, exchange and distribution. It studies the history and theoretical foundations of economic anthropology with an emphasis on recent approaches to the study of economic life, specifically the 'human economy'.

Contemporary ethnography 761 (APL 761)

Module credits	20.00
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 other contact session per week, 2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Anthropology and Archaeology
Period of presentation	Quarter 1 or 2 or 3 or 4

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.

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