Public Issues Anthropology: MA

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology is pleased to offer an MA in Public Issues Anthropology, with an emphasis on sociocultural anthropology. Our focus is on the interface between anthropological knowledge and issues crucial to governance, public discourse, livelihoods, civil society and contemporary public issues.

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**Program**

Students may choose one of two study options:

1) Thesis and complete a minimum of 2.0 credits (4 courses)
2) Major research paper and complete a minimum of 4.0 credits (6 courses and a 1.0 credit major paper)

Students are required to complete ANTH*6700 Pro-Seminar in their first two seminars.

**Research Areas**

Our program draws on the expertise of anthropologists who conduct research on a wide range of public issues, including: migration, globalization, human rights, indigenous peoples’ issues, climate change, environmental ethics, food, culinary and dietary practices, agriculture and rural livelihoods, families, disabilities, social inequalities, and the anthropology of development, One Health and primate conservation. Faculty ethnographic areas include Sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Europe, Latin America, Madagascar, and North America.

**Faculty and Facilities**

There are currently 29 faculty, including 7 anthropologists, in our department. The Department maintains Blackwood Hall, Room 214, as a common study space for graduate students.

**Admission Requirements**

- A four-year honours degree in Anthropology will be preferentially considered
- Students with degrees in other programs including the natural sciences are encouraged to apply if their background aligns with the interests of existing faculty. We recommend these students have five Anthropology courses that include courses in both biological and social/cultural anthropology.
- Minimum B+ average over their last two years of academic study

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:**

- Food and livelihoods
- Human Rights and Social Justice
- Families, Aging, or Disabilities
- Indigenous Peoples’ Issues
- Environmental Issues
- Primate Conservation

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Education
- Health and Nutrition
- Law and Advocacy
- International Development
- Cultural and Natural Resource Management
- Conservation
- One Health

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