DOCTORATE IN PHILOSOPHY
ANTHROPOLOGY

The doctoral program in Anthropology at the University of Ottawa features innovative training that brings together the existing strengths of anthropology (field work, ethnography, international experience, and multidisciplinarity) with a contemporary theoretical approach to the study of anthropology. Moreover, the doctoral program features a new curriculum that includes a professional development seminar and a comprehensive exercise that favours the integration of doctoral candidates into the labour market.

In a rapidly evolving social and environmental context, anthropology brings new critical perspectives to the problems and challenges of the contemporary world by highlighting the links between local problems and global issues. The method of inquiry grounded in field work, ethnography, allows the researcher to document in real time the complexity of phenomena all the while situating various themes, including medicine, the environment, new media, the city, politics, the economy and indigeneity in diverse social and cultural contexts.

The School of Sociological and Anthropological Studies offers the doctoral program (Ph.D.) in Anthropology. This program is offered full time in French and in English. That being said, the three required doctoral seminars are offered only in French.

In accordance with University policy, assignments, exams, major research papers and theses can be written in French or in English.

The programs are governed by the general regulations (http://www.grad.uottawa.ca/Default.aspx?tabid=1807) in effect for graduate studies.

Admission Requirements

For the most accurate and up to date information on application deadlines, language tests and other admission requirements, please visit the specific requirements webpage. To be admitted to the doctoral program in Anthropology, candidates should have a master’s in Anthropology (or equivalent) and have obtained a minimum GPA of 75 per cent (B+), which is calculated according to the guidelines of the University of Ottawa. A student who has a master’s degree with the minimum GPA but in a related field can also be considered for admission.

The student may be required to enrol in some master’s courses in addition to their doctoral program requirements. The exact number of courses will be determined by the Graduate Studies Committee in Anthropology after review of the student’s file.

Admission to the program is dependent on the agreement of thesis supervision by a professor or professors who specializes in the student’s main field of interest. An application must include, in addition to transcripts and letters of recommendation, a letter that identifies: 1) the field of research; 2) the specific research theme that will guide the thesis; 3) the student’s linguistic competency (French and English) 4) agreement of thesis supervision by a professor. (Please note that the two required doctoral seminars are offered only in French.) The candidate should also include a one to five-page statement of their proposed doctoral research.

Language requirements

Students require sufficient competency in French in order to actively participate in three required courses offered only in French, and must be able to read texts in both French and English. Students must be able to engage in discussions and participate actively in French. Students who choose to take their remaining courses in English must be able to engage in discussions and participate actively in English. The School reserves the right to require students to take a language proficiency test.

The list of acceptable tests is indicated in the specific requirements (https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/programs-admission/apply/specific-requirements/) of the program.

Fast Track from Master’s to Ph.D.

A fast track option from the MA to the Ph.D. program is possible. Students enrolled in the MA program in Anthropology at the University of Ottawa can be admitted to the Ph.D. program, and not be required to complete a thesis or Major Research Paper, provided they meet the following conditions outlined below:

• have completed five graduate courses in Anthropology (15 credits) with a minimum grade of A in each course
• have a letter of recommendation from their thesis or Major Research Paper supervisor as well as letters of recommendation from members of their thesis committee, if applicable
• have the approval of the School's Graduate Studies Committee.

The Committee will make a decision based upon the letters of recommendation and an assessment of the student’s aptitude for research.

The request to fast track must be made within 16 months from the student’s initial registration in the MA program and the request must be approved before the fourth session so as to allow the student to register to the Ph.D. program at the start of their fifth semester. Following the transfer to the Ph.D. program, the student must complete all of the requirements of the doctoral program, including the four required courses - professional development seminar, the comprehensive exercise, the thesis proposal and the thesis - as well as the five courses (15 credits) already completed. A student who transfers to the doctoral program but who does not complete the Ph.D. may receive the MA degree, providing they satisfy the requirements of the MA program.

Program Requirements

The requirements of the PhD program are as follows:

Compulsory courses

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Elective courses

6 elective course units approved by the Graduate Studies Committee

Thesis proposal

ANT 9102 Thesis Proposal

Thesis

THD 9999 Doctoral Thesis

Note(s)
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uOttawa focuses research strengths and efforts in four Strategic Areas of Development in Research (SADRs):

- Canada and the World
- Health
- e-Society
- Molecular and Environmental Sciences

With cutting-edge research, our graduate students, researchers and educators strongly influence national and international priorities.

Research at the Faculty of Social Sciences

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We have identified five research themes which collectively represent a large proportion of the research undertaken at the Faculty of Social Sciences:

- International Studies
- Francophonie
- Public Policy
- Health, Well-Being
- Justice, Society

Facilities, Research Centres and Institutes at the Faculty of Social Sciences


For more information, refer to the list of faculty members and their research fields on Uniweb.

IMPORTANT: Candidates and students looking for professors to supervise their thesis or research project can also consult the website of the faculty or department (https://www.uottawa.ca/graduate-studies/students/academic-unit-contact-information/) of their program of choice. Uniweb does not list all professors authorized to supervise research projects at the University of Ottawa.

Courses

ANT 5100 Contemporary Theory in Anthropology (3 units)
In-depth examination of the main theoretical currents in social and cultural anthropology. Focus on the development and the points of convergence and divergence of these currents, through examples and topical issues.
Course Component: Seminar

ANT 5101 Multimodal Anthropology (3 units)
Examination of the modalities and practices of research in anthropology: the manner through which research has unfolded, been felt, expressed or undertaken. Speech, gesture, smell, and gaze, as well as sound, touch, movement and images taken up as both topic and method. Addressing the implications of anthropological works and practices that are essentially mediated by forms of actual experiences.
Course Component: Seminar

ANT 5500 Théories contemporaines en anthropologie (3 crédits)
Examen approfondi des principaux courants théoriques contemporains en anthropologie sociale et culturelle. Développement de ces courants et leurs points de convergence et de divergence à l’aide d’ exemples et de thématiques actuelles.
Volet : Séminaire

ANT 5501 Anthropologie multimodale (3 crédits)
Examen des modalités de pratiques et de recherche en anthropologie: manière à travers laquelle la recherche s’est passée ou a été ressentie, exprimée ou faite. La parole, les gestes et le regard, ainsi que le sonore, le touché, le mouvement et l’image tant comme thème que comme méthode. Exploration des œuvres et pratiques anthropologiques qui sont pratiquées et essentiellement médiées par des formes d’expériences vérifiables, que cela implique des technologies ou des corps ou les deux.
Volet : Séminaire

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ANT 6101 Anthropologie de l'Économie, des Pouvoirs et des Droits (3 crédits)
Combining theoretical reflections and ethnographic research, an examination of recent reconfigurations in global political processes: the emergence of new political spaces, forms and conflicts, critique of inequalities, political and religious movements, political authority and resistance, and postcolonial perspectives.
Course Component: Seminar

ANT 6102 Globalisation et Imaginaires Capitaux (3 crédits)
Understanding how forces, connections, flux and dynamics of globalization articulate, transform and condition representations of the economy, of the political, of the social and of everyday life in a capitalist context. Critical debate of theories of power, imaginaries and practices in the links between the local and the global.
Course Component: Seminar

ANT 6103 La "Culture" Question en Anthropologie (3 crédits)
Historical and critical in-depth analysis of the contributions and limitations of the notion of 'culture' in anthropology revolving around major issues in the discipline: identity transformations; decolonization; socio-economic upheavals and migration; global dynamics and problems of pluralism, multiculturalism and interculturalism.
Course Component: Lecture

ANT 6104 Indigénités (3 crédits)
In-depth examination of global indigenous resurgence, including the revitalization of legal orders, governance systems, spiritualities and language. Anthropological studies of such subjects as colonialism, post-colonialism, decolonization and coexistence; resistance and resilience; healing, reconciliation and reparation; multiculturalism and cultural appropriation; ecologies.
Course Component: Lecture

ANT 6112 Anthropologie de la Santé (3 crédits)
Epistemologies and practices of health, wellbeing, illness and disease. It will touch upon the encompassing issues of suffering, embodiment, new medical technologies, Western and non-Western medical traditions, alternative health practices, wellness movements, mental health, and the cultural construction of biomedical scientific knowledge.
Course Component: Lecture

ANT 6112 Anthropologie de la Santé (3 crédits)
Analysis of research problems understood as environmental, underlining important questions of shared milieus in which humans and non-humans are entangled. Studies, grounded in ethnographic research, of different ecological and territorial issues.
Course Component: Lecture

ANT 6122 Anthropologie du droit, des pouvoirs et des contestations (3 crédits)
Apprécier les reconfigurations récentes dans les processus politiques globaux à partir de réflexions théoriques et de terrains singuliers: émergence de nouveaux lieux politique, formes inédites de conflictualité, revendications de droits, critique des inégalités, mouvements politiques et religieux, l'autorité politique et résistance, et les perspectives postcoloniales.
Volet : Séminaire

ANT 7998 Mémoire / Research Paper
Volet / Course Component: Recherche / Research

ANT 8500 Séminaire de doctorat (3 crédits)
Appréhender de façon détaillée à partir de plusieurs thématiques anthropologiques contemporaines les enjeux théoriques et épistémologiques reliés à la discipline.
Volet : Séminaire

ANT 8501 Séminaire avancé de recherche en anthropologie (3 crédits)
Développement de la problématique de recherche en anthropologie. Analyse approfondie des préoccupations fondamentales de la discipline, dont le raisonnement anthropologique et les méthodes de travail essentielles, l'ethnographie, pour mener à bien des recherches doctorales.
Volet : Séminaire

ANT 9101 Comprehensive Exercise
Preparation of an annotated course syllabus; includes oral examination. Graded S (Satisfactory) / NS (Not satisfactory).
Course Component: Research

ANT 9102 Thesis Proposal (6 units)
Preparation, overseen by thesis supervisor, which must be approved by thesis advisory committee. Graded S (Satisfactory) / NS (Not satisfactory).
Course Component: Research

ANT 9500 Séminaire de développement professionnel en anthropologie (3 crédits)
Examen des possibilités d'emplois en anthropologie. Analyse des compétences transférables et préparation vers la transition au marché de l'emploi. Noté S (satisfaisant) ou NS (non satisfaisant).
Volet : Séminaire

ANT 95001 Séminaire de développement professionnel en anthropologie (Partie 1 de 2)
Examen des possibilités d'emplois en anthropologie. Analyse des compétences transférables et préparation vers la transition au marché de l'emploi. Noté S (satisfaisant) ou NS (non satisfaisant).
Volet : Séminaire

ANT 95002 Séminaire de développement professionnel en anthropologie (Partie 2 de 2) (3 crédits)
Examen des possibilités d'emplois en anthropologie. Analyse des compétences transférables et préparation vers la transition au marché de l'emploi. Noté S (satisfaisant) ou NS (non satisfaisant).
Volet : Séminaire
Préalable : ANT 95001.

ANT 9501 Exercice de synthèse
Exercice de synthèse composé d'un plan de cours annoté; comporte également une épreuve orale. Noté S (satisfaisant) ou NS (non satisfaisant).
Volet : Recherche

ANT 9502 Projet de thèse de doctorat (6 crédits)
Préparation, supervisée par le directeur ou la directrice de thèse, du projet de thèse, qui doit être approuvé par le comité de thèse. Noté S (satisfaisant) ou NS (non satisfaisant).
Volet : Recherche