

SANK01, Social Anthropology: Bachelor Thesis Course, 30 credits

Socialantropologi: Kandidatkurs, 30 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by Faculty Board of Social Sciences on 2007-03-01. The syllabus comes into effect 2007-09-01 and is valid from the autumn semester 2007.

General information

The course is given as a freestanding course and constitutes the Bachelor's thesis course in Social Anthropology

Language of instruction: Swedish
Teaching in English can occur.

Main field of study *Specialisation*

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| Social Anthropology | G2E, First cycle, has at least 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements, contains degree project for Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science |
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Learning outcomes

After the course, the student should be able to:

- describe, analyse and critically assess social anthropological theories and key concepts
- apply social anthropological theory and method in an independent manner
- formulate, delimit and compile research assignments
- communicate and defend own research results and review other scientific texts critically
- identify relevant scientific information for a research assignment independently

- independently carry out information retrievals within the discipline of Social Anthropology
- analyse the information critically and use this information in a qualified manner to demonstrate an independent ability to work within the field of Social Anthropology.
- identify and show the ethical consequences of scientific work
- identify and show the role of scholarship in society
- anticipate one's own need to further develop knowledge and skills

Course content

The aim of the course is to both expand and increase specialised knowledge that is expected in Social Anthropology: Advanced course, 30 credits, or the equivalent.

The course consists of the following modules: The order between module 1 and 2 can vary.

Module 1 Anthropological method (7.5 credits) (Anthropological method, 7.5 been credits)

This module includes both method development within the discipline and new perspectives that are relevant within Social Anthropology today. Here, opportunity is also given to conduct one's own interviews and observations and to analyse these.

Module 2 Current theory (7.5 credits) (Anthropological Theory, 7.5 been credits)

Recent theoretical movements within Social Anthropology are taken up, inter alia historical anthropology, psychological anthropology, global systems and globalisation processes and various analyses within subject areas such as culture, identity and ethnicity.

Module 3 Degree Project for Bachelor's degree (15 credits) (Bachelor Thesis, 15 been credits)

Emphasis lies on writing a thesis that connects to the literature and issues that are treated within both of the preceding modules. Thesis seminars are arranged to facilitate this process. A topic is chosen in consultation with the supervisor and the thesis can be based either on own fieldwork or literature studies.

Course design

Teaching on the modules 1 and 2 take place in the form of lectures, seminars and practical exercises. There may be compulsory parts in the course. Teaching in English can take place completely or partly. Group assignments can occur.

In module 3, teaching through supervision is given, individually or in groups.

Assessment

Examination takes place at the end of each module through written or oral tests in the form of written examination, take-home examination, written assignments or group assignments. In the case of several examinations in one course, an aggregation of these takes place. Other examinations can occur. Possibility for new examinations are given during the semester as well as a re-examination at a later occasion.

Discussion and examination of the thesis take place at the thesis seminar and are assessed by an examiner.

The essay should be handed in in electronic form according to the departmental instructions for publication in open access-databases on a server belonging to Lund University. In cases where very good reasons are put forward, an exemption from publication can be granted after written application to the head of department.

For completion of module 3 one has to have carried out one's role as discussant on another student's thesis at a thesis seminar.

Grades

Grading scale includes the grades: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction

For the grade Pass, it is required that the learning goals for the course as specified in Point C are met. Pass with distinction furthermore requires special theoretical reflection and analytical ability to be displayed. To receive the grade Pass with distinction in the whole course it is required that one has received passed with distinction on the Thesis project.

Entry requirements

For admission to the course it is required that one has fully completed and passed the following courses in Social Anthropology: Basic course (30 credits) and three of four modules in Social Anthropology: Advanced course (30 credits) or the equivalent.

Further information

The course replaces SAN503 Social Anthropology: General course (41-60 credits) according to HF 1993:100.