

ANTHROPOLOGY, MINOR (0002)

Western Sydney University Minor Code: 0002

Previous Code: SM1131.1

Available to students in other Western Sydney University

Programs: Yes. Check that your program has the available credit points required to complete the subjects in this field of study. Any requisite requirements must also be met. Consult your Program Advisor for further advice.

Social Anthropology is the study of humans and the cultures they create. The minor in Anthropology within the Bachelor of Social Science (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2023-2024/programs/bachelor-social-science/>) offers students the opportunity to examine social patterns and practices across cultures, to discover similarities and differences between cultures, and to understand the processes by which humans organise and create meaning. Areas of focus include the development of anthropology as a discipline; globalisation and culture; power and politics; gender and sexuality; identity and belonging; ethnography and ethnographic methods; indigenous peoples and nation states. Specific attention is given to cultures of Australasia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific, and to cross cultural interactions, at both global and local levels. The minor seeks to equip students with multi-cultural knowledge as well as to provide a thorough grounding in research methods and ethics with utility in a variety of professional and academic contexts.

Location

Campus	Mode	Advice
Liverpool Campus	Internal	Associate Professor Mary Hawkins (m.hawkins@westernsydney.edu.au)
Penrith Campus	Internal	Associate Professor Mary Hawkins (m.hawkins@westernsydney.edu.au)

Minor Structure

Students must complete 40 credit points as follows.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Students must complete the following compulsory subject:		
HUMN 1016	Different Ways of Being in the World: Introduction to Social Anthropology	10
Select three of the following:		
HUMN 2068	Cultures of Southeast Asia and Oceania	30
HUMN 1026	Global Structures, Local Cultures	
HUMN 2028	Identity and Belonging	
CULT 3016	Indigenous Cultures: A Global Perspective	
HUMN 3066	Power as a Cultural System	
HUMN 2069	Society, Culture and Human Diversity	
HUMN 3078	The Anthropologies of Gender and Sexualities	
Total Credit Points		40

Equivalent Subjects

The subjects listed below count towards completion of this minor for students who passed these subjects in 2021 or earlier.

HUMN 2012 Anthropologies of the Everyday, replaced by HUMN 2069 Society, Culture and Human Diversity

HUMN 2024 - Ethnographies of Southeast Asia and the Pacific - replaced by HUMN 2068 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2023-2024/subject-details/humn2068/>) Cultures of Southeast Asia and Oceania

Related Programs

Bachelor of Social Science (1667) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2023-2024/programs/bachelor-social-science/>)