

# ANTHROPOLOGY, MAJOR (0002)

Western Sydney University Major Code: 0002

Previous Code: M1097.1

## 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 major in Anthropology within the Bachelor of 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, localisation, culture, power and politics; gender and sexuality across cultures; religion and spirituality; identity and belonging; ethnography and ethnographic methods; Indigenous peoples and nation states; sustainability and social and cultural change. Specific attention is given to cultures of Australasia, Southeast Asia and Oceania, and to cross cultural interactions, at both global and local levels. The major seeks to equip students with intercultural 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  | Credit Points |
|------------------|----------|---|---------------|
| Liverpool Campus | Internal | Dr Amie Matthews<br>(a.matthews@westernsydney.edu.au) | 10            |
| Penrith Campus   | Internal | Dr Amie Matthews<br>(a.matthews@westernsydney.edu.au) | 10            |

## Recommended Sequence

Students must complete 80 credit points as follows

| Course                | Title   | Credit Points |
|-----------------------|---|---------------|
| <b>Year 1</b>         |   |               |
| <b>Autumn session</b> |   |               |
| HUMN 1016             | Different Ways of Being in the World: Introduction to Social Anthropology | 10            |
|                       | <b>Credit Points</b>  | <b>10</b>     |
| <b>Spring session</b> |   |               |
| HUMN 1026             | Global Structures, Local Cultures   | 10            |
|                       | <b>Credit Points</b>  | <b>10</b>     |
| <b>Year 2</b>         |   |               |
| <b>Autumn session</b> |   |               |
| HUMN 2068             | Cultures of Southeast Asia and Oceania                                    | 10            |
| HUMN 2028             | Identity and Belonging  | 10            |
|                       | <b>Credit Points</b>  | <b>20</b>     |
| <b>Spring session</b> |   |               |
| HUMN 2069             | Society, Culture and Human Diversity                                      | 10            |
|                       | <b>Credit Points</b>  | <b>10</b>     |
| <b>Year 3</b>         |   |               |
| <b>Autumn session</b> |   |               |
| HUMN 3066             | Power as a Cultural System  | 10            |
| HUMN 3078             | The Anthropologies of Gender and Sexualities                              | 10            |
|                       | <b>Credit Points</b>  | <b>20</b>     |
| <b>Spring session</b> |   |               |
| CULT 3016             | Indigenous Cultures: A Global Perspective                                 | 10            |
|                       | <b>Credit Points</b>  | <b>10</b>     |
|                       | <b>Total Credit Points</b>  | <b>80</b>     |

## Year 3

### Autumn session

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| HUMN 3075                  | Contemporary Religion                        | 10        |
| HUMN 3078                  | The Anthropologies of Gender and Sexualities | 10        |
| <b>Credit Points</b>       |  | <b>20</b> |
| <b>Spring session</b>      |  |           |
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## Equivalent Subject

The major subject listed below counts towards completion of this major for students who passed this subject in 2020/21 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/2024-2025/subject-details/humn2068/>) Cultures of Southeast Asia and Oceania

## Related Programs

Bachelor of Arts (1706) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Dean's Scholars) (1655) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-deans-scholars/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth - 5/Birth - 12) (1708) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-birth-5-birth-12/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) (1651) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) Dean's Scholars (1822) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary-deans-scholars/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Business (1818) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-business/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Creative Industries (1842) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-creative-industries/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws (2537) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-laws/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Social Science (1808) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology/Bachelor of Arts (3654) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-information-communications-technology-bachelor-arts/>)

Bachelor of International Studies/Bachelor of Social Science (1807) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-international-studies-bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts (3763) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-science-bachelor-arts/>)

Bachelor of Social Science (1667) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Social Science (Advanced) (1733) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-social-science-advanced/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) (6019) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (6005) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth-5/Birth-12) (6017) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-birth-5-birth-12/>)

Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Social Science (6023) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-social-science-bachelor-social-science/>)