

SOCA2M1 - Introduction

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Learning outcomes

Through the study of different issues such as socialization, identity, culture, power, organization, regulation, class, inequality, cultural and/or social conflict, change and social movements) the key role of sociology is to understand the social players (individuals or groups), their relationships and connections in contemporary society. Anthropology is the science which takes an interest in everything connected to human beings, from the development of man to the most astonishing achievements and phenomena involving human communities. Social and cultural anthropology is the branch of anthropology which is most closely concerned with the many different cultural and social creations of human beings.

The 60 credit Master in Sociology and Anthropology should be viewed in the context of sociology and anthropology being brought more closely together, a course first charted ten years ago at this university. It is designed to provide understanding of the key issues in sociology and anthropology and the ways in which they are interlinked or differ. There is greater emphasis on training in the theoretical issues of both disciplines rather than the methodological and practical aspects of empirical research.

The Master in Sociology and Anthropology is designed to equip students with the following knowledge and key skills:

- intellectual grasp of the conceptual tools and main issues in social and anthropological analysis;
- understanding of these different procedures, what they bring and the premises they are built on, from the epistemological, theoretical and methodological point of view.

The 60 credit Master 60 may form the first stage in a 120 credit Master, either in Sociology or Anthropology.

On successful completion of this programme, each student is able to :

1. Maîtriser et mobiliser de manière critique un corpus de savoirs approfondis en sociologie et en anthropologie, relatifs à certains champs ou secteurs sociaux spécifiques.

1.1. Se situer dans le champ des savoirs sociologiques et anthropologiques.

1.2. Démontrer un approfondissement de ses connaissances sociologiques et anthropologiques, dans certains champs ou secteurs sociaux spécifiques.

⌘ LSOC2088	Life stories and biographical approaches	Marie Verhoeven	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2086	Discourse analysis	Eric Mangez	FR [q2] [15h] [5 Credits] Δ 🌐
⌘ LSOC2083	Signs, sounds, images : methods of analysis	Mathieu Berger	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2084	Participatory methods	Géraldine André Brigitte Maréchal	FR [q2] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2087	Grounded theory methodology	Marie Verhoeven	FR [q1] [22.5h] [5 Credits] 🌐

⌘ **Deux cours conjoints : (5 credits)**

○ LDEMO2402	Méthodologie de collecte de données par enquêtes quantitatives (dont sondage)	Bruno Schoumaker	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐
○ LSOC2095	Techniques approfondies d'enquête extensive et de sondage en sociologie : atelier d'exercices	Bruno Schoumaker	FR [q2] [15h] [2 Credits] 🌐

○ **Travail de fin d'études (17 credits)**

○ LSOCA2900	Dissertation / Thesis		FR [] [] [17 Credits] 🌐
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○ **Cours au choix (25 credits)**

5 cours à choisir parmi les deux champs suivants (avec au moins 10 crédits en sociologie et au moins 10 crédits en anthropologie) :

○ **Sociologie (min 10 crédits)**

⌘ LSOC2006	Gender and sexuality	Mireille Le Guen	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2002	Digital sociology	Eric Mangez	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] Δ 🌐
⌘ LSOC2011	Globalisation and regulation	Jean De Munck	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2045	Sociology of Economic Practices : Capitalism and the anthropocene	Isabelle Ferreras	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2013	Contemporary cultural transformations: a sociological approach	Marie Verhoeven	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2035	Sociology of Education and Training	Hugues Draelants	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2091	Sociology of the city: ecological approaches	Mathieu Berger	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2060	socio-anthropology of contemporary Islam	Brigitte Maréchal	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⌘ LSOC2031	Gender and migration	Laura Merla	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] Δ 🌐
⌘ LCRIM2106	Penology		

Supplementary classes

To access this Master, students must have a good command of certain subjects. If this is not the case, in the first annual block of their Masters programme, students must take supplementary classes chosen by the faculty to satisfy course prerequisites.

- Mandatory
 - ✘ Optional
 - △ Not offered in 2024-2025
 - ⊖ Not offered in 2024-2025 but offered the following year
 - ⊕ Offered in 2024-2025 but not the following year
 - △ ⊕ Not offered in 2024-2025 or the following year
 - Activity with requisites
 - 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
 - 🚫 Not open to incoming exchange students
 - [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)
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The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

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Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium[Access based on application](#)**Foreign Bachelors**[Access based on application](#)**Non university Bachelors**

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Diploma	Access	Remarks
BA - assistant(e) social(e) - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60	Les enseignements supplémentaires éventuels peuvent être consultés dans le module complémentaire .	Type court
BA - conseiller(ère) social(e) - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60		
BA en coopération internationale - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60		
BA en écologie sociale - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60		
BA en gestion des ressources humaines - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60		

 Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
		Access based on application	
Masters			
		Access based on application	

Access based on validation of professional experience

> It is possible, under certain conditions, to use one's personal and professional experience to enter a university course without having the required qualifications. However, validation of prior experience does not automatically apply to all courses. Find out more about [Validation of priori experience](#).

Entry to all Masters (with the exception of Advanced Masters) can be gained through the special procedure for accrediting prior learning and experience known as VAE (validation des acquis de l'expérience).

Entry to this Master is possible via this procedure. <https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/espo/psad/adulte-en-reprise-d-etudes-vae.html>

Access based on application

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Entry to all Masters (with the exception of Advanced Masters) can also be gained on submission of a special personal file

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Teaching method

The programme is centred on the essential elements of analytical procedures in sociology and anthropology and how they can be used more precisely in an area or a more specific social sector. Methodological procedures are introduced through qualitative and quantitative methods. The dissertation is designed to produce a piece of work which summarizes a sociological and/or anthropological question, mainly based on a critical examination of international literature on sociology and anthropology. A key dimension is critical understanding of the ways in which anthropological and sociological procedures can differ or be closely related. This examination may form the basis of an original research topic which can go on to be dealt with in the dissertation of the 120 credit Master, either in Anthropology or in Sociology.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the [regulations concerning studies and exams](#). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

Assessment of the teaching sessions is based on students' work and/or taking written or oral examinations.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

The programme contains many opportunities of an international nature, the most notable of which are the Jacques Leclercq Chair lectures. Each year UCL students can attend lectures given by researchers of international standing. These lecturers are given either in English or French.

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

The 60 credit Master 60 in Sociology and Anthropology provides in-depth theoretical training in the analytical procedures in anthropology and sociology. For this reason it goes well with a 120 credit Master in another field. It also naturally leads on to the 120 credit Masters in Sociology or Anthropology. Since the structure of the programmes is similar, students can gain credits from the 60 credit Master (from the subject grouping, cross-disciplinary issues, area studies or Leclercq Chair lectures). The dissertation for the 60 credit Master is not as onerous and may also serve as a starting point for a research topic to be studied in the 120 credit Master.

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