



SOTB1BA - Introduction

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2. an increasingly specialised background in sociology and anthropology: (analysis of sociological theories, sociology of culture, special issues in anthropology, political sociology, analysis of public action, socio-anthropology of symbolics, analysis and theories of power, sociology of collective action, urban change and policies, etc.)
3. a methodological background in the form of courses and seminars covering a range of qualitative and quantitative methods in the humanities and social sciences (approach and methods in the social sciences, field methods, quantitative methods, etc.)
4. quality language instruction.

In the trilingual French-English-Dutch bachelor's programme in sociology and anthropology, four courses per year are taught in English and Dutch.

- First year: *Analyse van de media-instellingen, Sociologie (Dutch), Political science, Geopolitics*
- Second year: *Law and religion, Economie 1 (Dutch), Economics 2, Politieke sociologie*
- Third year: *Mens en organisatie, Milieu en samenleving, International Communications, Ethics and the Economy*

SOTB1BA - Teaching profile

Learning outcomes

At the end of their bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology, students will have acquired the following skills:

I. A grounding in the core teachings and methods of the discipline

- **A command of the fundamentals of sociology and anthropology, and their epistemological grounding, with a view to addressing the key research issues of the discipline**
- **A thorough grounding in sociology and anthropology, through general and specialised courses:** sociology, anthropology, analysis of sociological theories, political sociology, cultural sociology, special anthropological issues, socio-anthropology of symbolics, sociology of collective action, etc.

II. Basic knowledge in fields complementary to sociology and anthropology

- **The ability to draw on interdisciplinary knowledge from various fields of the humanities and social sciences** in order to analyse contemporary or historical social phenomena
- **General knowledge of the humanities and social sciences**, based on an understanding of the main postulates and teachings of the various disciplines, as well as their methods and the related ethical issues

III. A grounding in the scientific method

- **The ability to apply the rules and ethical principles of the scientific approach in sociology and anthropology**
- **The ability to gather and analyse quantitative and qualitative empirical data with discernment**
 - The ability to research, read, understand, question and summarise academic texts
 - The gradual ability to produce analytical work on contemporary social phenomena, on their own or as part of a team
 - The gradual ability to gather information using the most relevant quantitative and qualitative data collection methods (statistics, questionnaire surveys, interviews, observation methods, etc.)
- **The ability to carry out an analysis independently as well as jointly with peers**
- **Critical thinking and independent judgement**
- **The ability to communicate in a structured, relevant and reasoned manner, using the concepts and methods of the discipline**
 - The ability to communicate the results of an analysis in a clear, coherent, structured and well-presented manner, in both written and oral form
 - The ability to analyse information, based on a review of the relevant literature and the most appropriate analytical methods

IV. High-level written and oral communication skills

- **The ability to communicate in at least one foreign language**
 - Fluency in spoken and written English and Dutch or Spanish; more specifically, the ability to carry on an everyday conversation and to communicate about the subjects and analyses of the social sciences
 - A sufficient command of English and/or Dutch in order to take a course and the oral or written exam in the target language (choice of a course in Dutch or English in the third year)
 - A familiarisation with an environment in a language other than their own (ERASMUS exchange in the third year)

Programme structure

The trilingual French-English-Dutch bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology is a first-cycle programme (a 'transition' bachelor's degree), consisting of 180 credits spread over three years (60 credits per year). It prepares students for a number of master's degree programmes in the second cycle, which they can take at another university (for further information, see the 'Access to further studies' page).

The first year of the degree is common to the political science, information and communication and sociology and anthropology programmes offered by the faculty. In addition to the educational commitment to providing a solid foundation for a multidisciplinary programme, which is one of the hallmarks of the programmes offered at UCLouvain Saint-Louis - Bruxelles, this shared first year facilitates reorientations at the beginning of the programme: students can change their orientation in year 2 to one of the other two programmes (political science or information and communication) without having to make up any course units.

The programme gradually becomes more specialised: the second year includes 20 credits in sociology and anthropology, and the third year includes 30 credits in sociology and anthropology.

The programme is made up of lecture-based course units, with introductory courses in the humanities and social sciences (philosophy, law, history, economics, psychology, sociology, political science, information and communication), as well as lessons in academic methodology accompanied by practical work (e.g. approaches and research methods in social sciences).

At the end of the programme, there is a workshop during which students work together in the field in small groups and present their work to a panel of experts.

Each year, the themes of the work are reviewed in the light of current events and research projects.

SOTB1BA Programme

Detailed programme by subject

- Mandatory
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Click on the course title to see detailed informations (objectives, methods, evaluation...)

Year

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○ Content:

○ Sociology and Anthropology

○ BESPO1161	Sociology	Thierry Kochuyt (compensates Benedikte Zitouni) Benedikte Zitouni	NL [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐	x		
○ BPOLS1111	Anthropology	Jean-Pierre Delchambre	FR [q2] [30h+9h] [5 Credits] 🌐	x		
○ BSOCA1211	Analysis of sociological theories ■	Jean-Pierre Delchambre	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		x	
○ BSOCA1210	Sociology of culture ■	Jean-Pierre Delchambre	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		x	
○ BSPOL1211	Political sociology ■	Johan Wets	NL [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐		x	
○ BPOLS1252	Anthropology: special topics ■	Jean-Pierre Delchambre	FR [q2] [30h+12h] [5 Credits] 🌐		x	
○ BECGE1326	Humans and organization ■	Ludo Struyven	NL [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			x
○ BSOCA1312	Socio-anthropology of the symbolic ■	Olivier Schmitz (compensates Jean- Pierre Delchambre)	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			x
○ BSOCA1314	Society and environment ■	Benedikte Zitouni	NL [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐			x

⊗ Choice of EU

Students must register to "Transformations and urban politics" and/or "The sociology of collective action" and/or "Analysis and theories of

Course prerequisites

The **table** below lists the activities (course units, or CUs) for which there are one or more prerequisites within the programme, i.e. the programme CU for which the learning outcomes must be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registering for that CU.

These activities are also identified in the **detailed programme**: their title is followed by a yellow square.

Prerequisites and student's annual programme

As the prerequisite is for CU registration purposes only, there are no prerequisites within a programme year. Prerequisites are defined between CUs of different years and therefore influence the order in which the student will be able to register for the programme's CUs.

In addition, when the jury validates a student's individual programme at the beginning of the year, it ensures its coherence, meaning that it may:

- require the student to combine registration in two separate CUs which it considers necessary from a pedagogical point of view.
- transform a prerequisite into a corequisite if the student is in the final year of a degree course.

For more information, please consult the [Academic Regulations and Procedures](#).

Prerequisites list

BANGL1292	"English II" has prerequisite(s) BANGL1192
	• BANGL1192 - English I
BANGL1392	"English III" has prerequisite(s) BANGL1292
	• BANGL1292 - English II
BCOMU1210	"Communication, culture and social interactions" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BCOMU1211	"Corporate communication and public relations" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BCOMU1212	"Social-history of media" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1115
	• BPOLS1115 - Media institutions analysis
BCOMU1213	"Intercultural communication" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BCOMU1250	"Media reception and media use" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BCOMU1310	"Semiotics" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BCOMU1313	"International communications" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BCOMU1315	"Communication and organisations" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BCOMU1316	"Issues and practices of journalism" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1115
	• BPOLS1115 - Media institutions analysis
BCOMU1317	"Public space, knowledge and media" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110
	• BPOLS1110 - Communication science
BDRAN1265	"Law and Religion" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1176
	• BESPO1176 - Law
BECGE1326	"Humans and organization" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1161
	• BESPO1161 - Sociology
BESPO1360	"Ethics and the economy" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1173A OR BPOLS1127
	• BESPO1173A - Economics I
	• BPOLS1127 - Economics II
BHDPO1312	"International relations analysis" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165
	• BESPO1165 - Political Science
BHDPO1315	"EU politics" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165
	• BESPO1165 - Political Science
BHDPO1316	"Transformations and urban politics" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1161
	• BESPO1161 - Sociology
BHDPO1317	"Political parties and lobby groups" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1165
	• BESPO1165 - Political Science
BNEER1282	"Dutch II" has prerequisite(s) BNEER1183

- BNEER1183 - Dutch I
- BNEER1382** "Dutch III" has prerequisite(s) BNEER1282
- BNEER1282 - Dutch II
- BPOLS1233** "Quantitative methods II: statistics" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231
- BPOLS1231 - Approach and methods in social sciences
- BPOLS1252** "Anthropology: special topics" has prerequisite(s) BESPO1161 OR BPOLS1111
- BESPO1161 - Sociology
- BPOLS1111 - Anthropology
- BPOLS1320** "Media and politics" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1110 OR BESPO1165
- BPOLS1110 - Communication science
- BESPO1165 - Political Science
- BPOLS1330** "Quantitative methods I: data production and analysis" has prerequisite(s) BPOLS1231
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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.

Detailed programme per annual block

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o Sociology and Anthropology

● BESPO1161	Sociology	Thierry Kochuyt (compensates Benedikte Zitouni) Benedikte Zitouni	
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● BPOLS1231

Approach and methods in social sciences

Karine Dejean
Emmanuelle Lenel
(compensates
Nicolas Marquis)

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SOTB1BA - 2ND ANNUAL UNIT

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- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
- 🌐 Not open to incoming exchange students
- (FR) Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

[Click on the course title to see detailed informations \(objectives, methods, evaluation...\)](#)

o Content:

o Sociology and Anthropology

● BNEER1282	Dutch II 	Isolde Boutsen (coord.) Astrid De Munter (coord.) Barbara Fraipont	NL [q1+q2] [0h +60h] [5 Credits] 
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✘ BCOMU1211	Corporate communication and public relations 🇺🇵	Thomas Jacobs	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
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✘ Optional choice of one course unit among :

✘ BHDPO1312	International relations analysis 🇺🇵	Emmanuel Klimis (compensates Amandine Bled)	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BSPOL1312	International relations 🇺🇵	Valentina Brogna (compensates Amandine Bled)	EN [q1] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BCOMU1317	Public space, knowledge and media 🇺🇵	Marie Dufrasne	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BCOMU1212	Social-history of media 🇺🇵	Geoffroy Patriarche	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BPOLS1320	Media and politics 🇺🇵	Dave Sinardet	NL [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BHDPO1317	Political parties and lobby groups 🇺🇵	Olivier Paye	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BSPOL1310	Labour, employment and social protection 🇺🇵	Olivier Paye	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BSPOL1313	Comparative politics 🇺🇵	Yannick Vanderborght	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BSPOL1316	The European Political System 🇺🇵	Denis Duez	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BHDPO1315	EU politics 🇺🇵	Valentina Brogna	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BSPOL1215	International Organizations 🇺🇵	Valentina Brogna (compensates Amandine Bled)	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BHDPO1319	Intercultural relations and migrations	Maryam Kolly	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BSOCA1313	Historical sociology of European integration 🇺🇵	Florence Delmotte	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐

✘ Optional choice of one course unit among :

✘ BCOMU1210	Communication, culture and social interactions 🇺🇵	Geoffroy Patriarche	EN [q2] [30h +6h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BCOMU1213	Intercultural communication 🇺🇵	Greet De Baets	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
✘ BDURA1000	Environmental Challenges and Issues	Christine Frison	EN [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐

Teaching method

In addition to traditional lectures, which take place in moderate-sized auditoriums, active teaching practices encourage the use and development of theoretical, methodological and analytical skills.

Furthermore, the bachelor's degree in sociology and anthropology includes more 'practical' learning activities, for example in the form of seminars or workshops based on student contributions and held in small groups. This allows students to be in close contact with professors and teacher-researchers within small working groups, and to implement approaches which make concrete use of the knowledge acquired during the programme.

The Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus is located right in the centre of Brussels, with easy metro and train connections as well as other practical advantages. But above all, its location close to social stakeholders, associations, NGOs and national and European political institutions allows interactions and participation in activities to take place in relation to these stakeholders.

The Saint-Louis - Bruxelles campus places great importance on educational support for all bachelor's programmes. The Academic Guidance Service (AGS) offers a range of support activities.

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".

Assessments are generally carried out by means of an examination. In the case of seminars, they take into account the grades received for work submitted over the course of the year. Examinations are either written (for courses given to large groups of students) or oral.

