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# Master's degree



## Social and Cultural Anthropology

University of Tübingen • Tübingen

### Overview

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| Degree  | Master of Arts in Social and Cultural Anthropology   |
| Teaching language   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>English</li></ul>  |
| Languages   | Courses are taught in English. German courses can be chosen in the elective modules.   |
| Full-time / part-time   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>full-time</li></ul>  |
| Programme duration  | 4 semesters  |
| Beginning   | Winter semester  |
| Additional information on beginning, duration and mode of study | The programme starts in mid-October. Students should ideally reach Tübingen by the beginning of October. Attendance of taught courses is mandatory.  |
| Application deadline  | 15 July  |
| Tuition fees per semester in EUR                                | 1,500 EUR  |
| Additional information on tuition fees                          | Approx. 1,500 EUR per semester for students from non-EU countries<br><a href="https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/study/organizing-your-studies/fees/tuition-fees/">https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/study/organizing-your-studies/fees/tuition-fees/</a>   |
| Combined Master's degree / PhD programme                        | No   |
| Joint degree / double degree programme                          | No   |
| Description/content   | <p>In today's world, it has become very important to understand the social, cultural, political and economic dynamics that take place locally and globally, in order to deal with contemporary problems, such as inequalities, social and political injustice as well as environmental problems. This is where our MA programme comes in – the programme provides students with ethnographical and theoretical knowledge and trains them in qualitative methods through practical exercises. Students learn to analyse data, to develop critical thinking and gain an understanding of the needs and constraints of communities and societies.</p> <p>The MA programme in Social and Cultural Anthropology in Tübingen is a first-class research-oriented programme that allows students to obtain knowledge in a systematic and critical way.</p> |

The curriculum includes a wide range of topics in research and teaching and encompasses theory building, methodology, practical applications and region-specific knowledge. Students become familiar with the complexity and diversity of the discipline and understand the necessary ethical aspects of anthropological work. They acquire in-depth theoretical and subject-specific knowledge of at least one particular field/region and thematic area of anthropology. They learn and apply the disciplinary methods and discuss and learn independent critical problem-solving skills in a variety of contexts. The department is specialised in visual, medical, material and organisational anthropology with a focus on applied anthropology. To find out more about if the MA programme in Social and Cultural Anthropology is the right study programme for you, we created a self-assignment here:

[https://lms-public.uni-tuebingen.de/ilias3/goto\\_pr01\\_crs\\_6777.html](https://lms-public.uni-tuebingen.de/ilias3/goto_pr01_crs_6777.html).

#### Current information

Please contact us in case you have any questions.

## Course Details

#### Course organisation

The first phase comprises the first and second semesters of the programme, in which students acquire theoretical and methodological knowledge and are given the opportunity to develop their own focus of their study project. This phase serves above all for scientific reflection and personal focus setting, which should enable students to pursue independent scientific projects.

In the second phase – in the third semester – students carry out a study project. The abstract theoretical and methodological knowledge acquired in the first phase is transformed into concrete empirical questions in a study project. Through the study project, students gain sensitivity for the complexity and diversity of the discipline and for the ethical aspects of anthropological work; they acquire in-depth theoretical and ethnographic knowledge of at least one particular region/field and one subject area (e.g. economic, political, religious, material, museum, visual) anthropology. They learn the methods and independent critical problem-solving skills in various contexts, i.e. in scientific and applied fields.

The final, third phase in the fourth semester serves to allow the student to process the information collected in the study project. Students present their study projects in the joint MA colloquium and complete the writing of their MA theses. In the colloquium, students acquire the ability to present their research results orally and in written form, addressing both an academic and a lay audience. In the MA thesis, the students learn to analyse the concrete empirical data obtained from the study project in order to contribute to further abstract theory as well as to develop problem solving proposals.

#### A Diploma supplement will be issued

Yes

#### International elements

- International guest lecturers
- Courses are led with foreign partners
- Projects with partners in Germany and abroad
- International comparisons and thematic reference to the international context
- Content-related regional focus

#### Integrated internships

In the third semester, students can choose to participate in an internship, a semester abroad or a self-organised study project.

#### Special promotion / funding of the programme

- ERASMUS+

#### Course-specific, integrated

No

## German language courses

Course-specific, integrated English language courses No

## Costs / Funding

Tuition fees per semester in EUR 1,500 EUR

Additional information on tuition fees Approx. 1,500 EUR per semester for students from non-EU countries  
<https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/study/organizing-your-studies/fees/tuition-fees/>

Semester contribution 155 EUR

Funding opportunities within the university No

## Requirements / Registration

Academic admission requirements Applicants should have a BA degree in social/cultural anthropology.

Language requirements English B2

Application deadline 15 July

Submit application to <https://uni-tuebingen.de/en/international/study-in-tuebingen/application-for-international-students/application-and-admission-of-international-students/>

## Services

Career advisory service We supervise students regarding their career choices.

Support for international students and doctoral candidates

- Welcome event
- Tutors

General services and support for international students and doctoral candidates Courses on academic writing, studying strategies and learning assistance

Supervisor-student ratio 1/10

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