



**ANTHROPOLOGY**

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

# Graduate Program

2023-2024 academic year  
(matriculating 2024-25)

## About The Program

Graduate training in Anthropology at Stanford University is designed for students who seek the Doctoral (Ph.D.) degree, and for (current Stanford students, only) who seek the Masters (M.A.) degree, only.

Entering graduate students need not have majored in anthropology as undergraduates, although many have backgrounds in behavioral, biological, environmental, and social sciences.

Students may choose from the following Department tracks: 1) Archaeology; 2) Culture and Society.

# Graduate Ph.D. Degree Program

Prospective graduate Ph.D. applicants should submit their applications on line by reading the information located at <http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu>. The electronic application fee is \$125.00 and is paid by credit card

The deadline for graduate application to the PhD degree program is 5 December 2023 11:59PM Pacific Standard Time. Application procedures for the Ph.D. degree program can be found at: <https://anthropology.stanford.edu/graduate-program/graduate-admission>. Successful applicants for the Ph.D. program may enter in Autumn Quarter, only. It is the department policy not to defer graduate admission.

Degree requirements for the Ph.D. include successful enrollment and participation in department review courses, completion of 2 qualifying exams (one for topic and one for area), and an oral exam defending the dissertation. Students are encouraged to plan for the completion of all work for the Ph.D. within 5 years. Anthropology Ph.D. students must take a minimum of 135 quarter units with a minimum GPA of 3.0. The maximum allowable number of transfer units is 45.

**For more  
information, please  
go to the  
department  
website at:**

<https://anthropology.stanford.edu>

# Financial Support

For Ph.D. students without external funding, the department endeavors to provide needed financial support through a combination of fellowship, teaching and research to all students admitted to the Ph.D. degree program who maintain satisfactory degree progress.

Graduate funding for the Ph.D. is usually provided for 5 consecutive years over four quarters in the Autumn, Winter, Spring and Summer Quarters. First-year students who have not entered the Ph.D. with outside funding are required to make at least 1 outside funding application for pre-dissertation training and improvement funding by the end of Autumn Quarter. First and second year students are encouraged to make at least two funding applications for Summer Quarter field language or area studies. Third-year students who have not secured funding for the Fourth year are required to make at least 3 outside funding applications for dissertation improvement and research by the end of Autumn Quarter. Fifth year students who have not secured funding for the sixth year and above are encouraged to make at least 2 funding applications for dissertation write-up by the end of Spring Quarter.

# Admissions

Admission to the graduate programs in Anthropology is granted for matriculation beginning in Autumn Quarter 2024-2025. Ph.D. applications must be submitted by 5 December 2023 for consideration of admission in the following Autumn Quarter.

The Anthropology Department recognizes that the Supreme Court issued a ruling in June 2023 about the consideration of certain types of demographic information as part of an admission review. All applications submitted during upcoming application cycles will be reviewed in conformance with that decision.

For information from the University Registrar office of Graduate Admissions and to apply online, see: <http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu>.

For information regarding the department-specific graduate admissions process and the degree program, see:  
<https://anthropology.stanford.edu/graduate-program/graduateadmission>.

# The Department

Anthropology is devoted to the study of human beings and human societies as they exist across time and space. It is distinct from other social sciences in that it gives central attention to the full time span of human history, and to the full range of human societies and cultures, including those located in historically marginalized parts of the world. It is therefore especially attuned to questions of social, cultural, and biological diversity, to issues of power, identity, and inequality, and to the understanding of dynamic processes of social, historical, ecological, and biological change over time. Education in anthropology provides excellent preparation for living in a multicultural and globally-interconnected world, and helps to equip students for careers in fields including law, medicine, business, public service, research, and ecological sustainability and resource management.

For further information, go to: <https://anthropology.stanford.edu>.

Archaeology in Anthropology builds on the research interests of the Archaeology faculty appointed in the Department of Anthropology as well as associated with the Stanford Archaeology Center. Faculty research areas may include historical periods ranging from early humans and contemporary studies of material culture.

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information,  
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# Faculty

**Andrew Bauer** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. University of Chicago, 2010) Environmental Anthropology, Materiality, Space/Place/Landscape, Archaeological Theory, South Asia

**Lisa Curran** (Professor; Ph.D. Princeton, 1994) Sustainable and equitable use of tropical resources, sound land use planning and governance.

**Paulla Ebron** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. Massachusetts at Amherst 1993) Comparative cultural studies, nationalism, gender, discourses of identity; Africa, African-America.

**James Ferguson** (Professor; Ph.D. Harvard U., 1985) Political Economy, development, migration and culture; Southern Africa.

**Ayana Flewellen** (Assistant Professor; Ph.D. University of Texas Austin 2018) Black Feminist Theory, historical archaeology, maritime heritage conservation, public and community-engaged archaeology, processes of identity formations, memory, and representations of slavery.

**Duana Fullwiley** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. UC Berkeley and UC San Francisco, 2002) Anthropology of science; Medical anthropology; Genetics and identity; Economic anthropology; Global health politics; Africanist anthropology; Race; Health disparities; Environmental resource and ethnic conflict, Senegal, West Africa, France, and the United States.

**Angela Garcia** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. Harvard, 2007) Medical and psychological anthropology; violence, suffering and care; addiction, morality and science; subjectivity; ethnographic writing; Unites States, Mexico.

**Miyako Inoue** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. Washington University, 1996) Sociolinguistics, gender; Japan.

**Thomas Hansen** (Professor; Ph.D. Roskilde University, Denmark) Political theory; continental philosophy; psychoanalysis; comparative religion; contemporary urbanism; South Asia and Southern Africa.

**Lochlann Jain** (Professor; Ph.D. U.C. Santa Cruz, 1999) Law and technology, feminist theory, travels in material culture, representation, and visual theory.

**Richard Klein** (Professor; Ph.D. Chicago, 1966) Paleoanthropology; Africa, Europe.

**Matthew Kohrman** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. Harvard U., 1999) Medical anthropology, disability studies, gender, social suffering, state formation, social experience; China.

**Tanya Luhrmann** (Professor; Ph.D. Cambridge U., 1986) Psychiatry anthropology; spirituality; culture and mind; psychosis; voices and visions; South Asia, United States.

**Liisa Malkki** (Professor; Ph.D. Harvard U., 1989) Historical anthropology, nationalism and internationalism, colonialism, racism, refugees and the politics of humanitarianism, religion; East and Central Africa

**Krish Seetah** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. University of Cambridge, 2006) traditional and scientific methods in zooarchaeology, European colonialism and the global landscape; Mauritius and Indian Ocean.

**Kabir Tambar** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. University of Chicago, 2009) Religion and secularism, pluralism and nationalism, the politics of affect, Islam, Middle East, Turkey.

**Sharika Thiranagama** (Associate Professor; Ph.D. University of Edinburgh, 2006 ) Ethnicity, Enslavement, Labor, Violence, Gender, Kinship, Caste, Displacement, History, Political Anthropology and Political Theory; Sri Lanka, India, South Asia.

**Mudit Trivedi** (Assistant Professor; Ph.D. University of Chicago, 2020). Identity, urbanization, paleoenvironmental research, ceramic technology and trade, geoarchaeology, lithics; South Asia, North India.

**Barbara Voss** (Professor; Ph.D. U.C. Berkeley, 2002) Archaeology, women, gender, sexuality, archaeology of architecture and structured space, politics of cultural resource management; pre- historic and colonial California.

**Sylvia Yanagisako** (Professor; Ph.D. Washington University, 1975) Kinship, gender, feminist theory, capitalism, ethnicity; U.S., Italy.

**Serkan Yolaçan** (Assistant Professor; Ph.D. Duke University, 2017) Religion, Nationalism, Immigration, Political Economy; West and Southeast Asia, Indian Ocean

## Emeriti

George Collier, Jane Collier, Carol Delaney, William Durham, Charles Frake, James Gibbs, Jr., Ian Hodder, John Rick, Renato Rosaldo.

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