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

Anthropology admits a limited number of students to pursue the terminal M.A. degree. Preference is given to applicants who have special training, skills, or experience in various field. Students should be able to complete the MA program in 3 to 5 quarters. Transfer units to the M.A. are not permitted. Anthropology M.A. applicants whose ultimate goal is the Anthropology PhD degree program should apply directly to the Ph.D. degree program. Transferring from the MA degree program to the Ph.D. degree program is not permitted.

The deadline for graduate applications to the M.A. degree program is 1 December 2020. Prospective applicants should reference the department web site for information about application for graduate admission. Successful applicants for the M.A. program may enter in the following Autumn Quarter. Application procedures for both the terminal and coterminal degree programs can be found at [https://anthropology.stanford.edu/graduate-program/graduateadmission](https://anthropology.stanford.edu/graduate-program/graduateadmission).

M.A. degree requirements include the following:

- Enrollment over a minimum of 3 quarters with a minimum of 45 quarter units in Anthropology curriculum (at the graduate level), with a minimum GPA of 3.0;
- 45 units, constituting the University minimum for the MA degree, must be at or above the 100-level;
- 23 of the 45 units must be at or above the 200-level (course work designated primarily for graduate students);
- Enrollment in a Research Methods course and in a Theory course with a grade of "B", or higher;
- Enrollment in a minimum of 4 Anthropology graduate-level review courses from a chosen track: Archaeology or Culture and Society.

Although, the M.A. degree program usually requires more than one full year of study, students entering the MA degree program from an appropriate background are usually able to complete the MA degree in one calendar year.

**GRADUATE Ph.D. DEGREE PROGRAM**

Prospective graduate Ph.D. applicants should submit their applications online by reading the information located at [http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu](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 1 December 2020 9:00PM Pacific Standard Time. Application procedures for the Ph.D. degree program can be found at [https://anthropology.stanford.edu/graduate-program/graduate-admission](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 web site at: [https://anthropology.stanford.edu](https://anthropology.stanford.edu).

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

There is no financial support available for students in the M.A. degree programs. For Ph.D. students without external funding, the department endeavors to provide needed financial support through a combination of fellowship, teaching and research assistantships and affiliateships, and tuition grants 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. In addition, summer stipends may be given to support summer field research; and, the cost of university health insurance coverage is usually provided for autumn, winter and spring, and summer quarters in years 1 through 5. Funding eligibility includes the following: 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 2021-2022. Ph.D. and M.A. applications must be submitted by 1 December 2020 for consideration of admission in the following Autumn Quarter. For information from the University Registrar office of Graduate Admissions and to apply online, see: [http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu](http://gradadmissions.stanford.edu).

For information from the department regarding the department-specific graduate admissions process and the degree program, see: [https://anthropology.stanford.edu/graduate-program/graduateadmission](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. For further information, go to: https://archaeology.stanford.edu

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.

Paula 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.

Duana Fullwiley (Associate Professor; Ph.D. UC Berkeley and UC San Francisco, 2002) The Anthropology of science; Medical anthropology; Genetics and identity; Economic anthropology; Global health politics; Africanist anthropology; Race; Health disparities; Environmental resource scarcity as a source of 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.

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

Ian Hodder (Professor; Ph.D. Cambridge U., 1974) Archaeology, post-processual archaeology, methodological studies of quantitative approaches to spatial analysis, material cultural and social structure; European prehistory, Turkey, and ethno-archaeology.

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

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.

Lisa 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, 2008) traditional and scientific methods in zooarchaeology, colonial activity within European contexts and wider European influences within the ‘global landscape’.

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 (Associate Professor; Ph.D. U.C. Berkeley, 2002) Archaeology, women, gender, sexuality, archaeology of architecture and structured space, politics of cultural resource management; prehistoric 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

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