UCL Study programme 2026 - 2027

Minor in Sociology and Anthropology

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MINSOCA - Introduction

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Learning outcomes

The minor in sociology and anthropology aims to provide students with well-honed analytical skills when it comes to examining society and culture. It gives training in the most traditional as well as the most innovative social science research methods and introduced students to the key concepts of the discipline.

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

1. Maîtriser, avec la rigueur exigée par les disciplines sociologique et anthropologique, les fondements théoriques (connaissances, concepts, outils, ...) qui constituent les prérequis indispensables dans une perspective de (ré-)orientation vers les masters en sociologie, en sociologie et anthropologie ou en anthropologie.

2. S'approprier et maitriser les fondements de la démarche de recherche scientifique (méthodologie de recherche) spécifique à la sociologie et l'anthropologie, prérequis indispensables dans une perspective de (ré)orientation vers les master en sociologie, en sociologie et anthropologie ou en anthropologie.

3. Faire preuve d'une maîtrise des modes de raisonnement spécifiques à la sociologie et à l'anthropologie avec rigueur.

4. Appréhender, questionner, analyser, discuter et résoudre une problématique sociologique ou anthropologique, en mobilisant les fondements disciplinaires et méthodologiques pertinents.

5. Développer un angle de lecture et une analyse critique et réflexive spécifiques à la sociologie et à l'anthropologie.

Programme

DETAILED PROGRAMME BY SUBJECT

- Mandatory
- Optional
- Not offered in 2026-2027
- Not offered in 2026-2027 but offered the following year
- Offered in 2026-2027 but not the following year
- Not offered in 2026-2027 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, ...)

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

30 crédits

Content:

Cours obligatoires (10 credits)

				Year 2	Year 3
LESPO1102	Sociology	Joseph Amougou	FR [q1] [15h] [3 Credits]	x	
LESPO1103	Anthropology	Saskia Simon (compensates Olivier Servais)	FR [q1] [15h] [3 Credits]	x	
LSOCA1234	Theories and concepts in sociology	Marc Zune	FR [q1] [30h+10h] [4 Credits]	x	x

Cours additionnels (20 credits)

Tout étudiant ayant choisi un de ces cours (LSEXM2713 et LTRAV2200) dans sa mineure ne pourra plus le choisir dans son programme de master. Choisir parmi:

LCOPS1311	Social Philosophy	Mark Hunyadi	FR [q2] [30h] [4 Credits]	x	x
LPOLS1316	The History of Debates in Sociology and Anthropology	Marie Deridder Eric Mangez	FR [q1] [45h+20h] [8 Credits]	x	x

				Year 2	3
⊠ LPOLS1329	Sociology of Religion	Lionel Remy (compensates Brigitte Maréchal)	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ LSPED1215	Gender and Societies	Ester Lucia Rizzi	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ LSEXM2713	Sociological approaches to family and couple	Pierre-Yves Wauthier	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ LTRAV2200	Sociology of work	Matthieu de Nanteuil Isabelle Ferreras	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ BHDPO1316	Transformations and urban politics	Emmanuelle Lenel	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ BCOMU1317	Public space, knowledge and media	Marie Dufrasne	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ BSPOL1322	Public Policy Analysis	Amandine Orsini Youri Vertongen (compensates Abraham Franssen)	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ BSOCA1310	The Sociology of Collective Action	Jean-Luc Nsengiyumva (compensates Abraham Franssen) Youri Vertongen (compensates Abraham Franssen)	FR [q1] [30h] [5 Credits]	x	x
⊠ LSOCA1225	Social and cultural anthropology	Martin Colla (compensates Julie Hermesse) Yailin Laffita van den Hove d'Ertsenryck (compensates Julie Hermesse)	FR [q1] [30h+10h] [4 Credits]	x	x
⊠ Cours obligatoires et indissociables pour accéder aux masters en Sociologie et en Anthropologie.					
○ LESPO1135	Epistemologies of social sciences	Mathieu Berger	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits]	x	
○ LPOLS1326	Practical Research Seminars in Sociology and Anthropology	Mathieu Berger Hugues Draelants Jacinthe Mazzocchetti Lionel Simon Saskia Simon Marie Verhoeven	FR [q1+q2] [45h+20h] [7 Credits]		x
⊠ LESPO1212	Exploring the world with qualitative methods	Hugues Draelants	FR [q1+q2] [30h+15h] [4 Credits]	x	x
⊠ LESPO1213	Enquêter sur le monde avec des méthodes quantitatives	Mireille Le Guen	FR [q1+q2] [30h+30h] [4 Credits]	x	x

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 offering this minor

> Bachelor in History *[en-prog-2026-hist1ba]*
> Bachelor in Human and Social Sciences *[en-prog-2026-huso1ba]*
> Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology : General *[en-prog-2026-arke1ba]*
> Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies *[en-prog-2026-hori1ba]*
> Bachelor in Information and Communication *[en-prog-2026-comu1ba]*
> Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology : Musicology *[en-prog-2026-musi1ba]*
> Bachelor in religious studies *[en-prog-2026-reli1ba]*
> Bachelor in Biomedicine *[en-prog-2026-sbim1ba]*
> Bachelor in Philosophy *[en-prog-2026-filo1ba]*
> Bachelor in Political Sciences: General *[en-prog-2026-spol1ba]*
> Bachelor in Law *[en-prog-2026-droi1ba]*
> Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures : Classics *[en-prog-2026-clas1ba]*
> Bachelor in Motor skills : General *[en-prog-2026-edph1ba]*
> Bachelor in Economics and Management *[en-prog-2026-ecge1ba]*

Teaching method

Les cours magistraux visent à transmettre une matière tandis que les séminaires et travaux pratiques requièrent une participation active de l'étudiant. Le programme de la mineure combine de manière évolutive ces deux modes d'enseignement. Il s'agit d'acquérir les connaissances de base et les concepts de la sociologie et de l'anthropologie à la fois à travers les cours, les lectures et les travaux personnels.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the Academic regulations and procedures . More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

L'évaluation formative se réalise de manière continue au travers d'exercices et de travaux personnels.
L'évaluation certificative prend la forme d'examens écrits et oraux.

Possible trainings at the end of the programme

- Direct access to the Master's in sociology or to the Master's in anthropology for bachelors in political science or human science.

- Access under conditions for other bachelors (with the consent of the person in charge of the program) : consideration will be given to all of the courses the student has followed for his/her baccalaureate and, in the event of him/her not having taken some courses, they will be added to the Master's in sociology or the master's in anthropology program (maximum 15 credits).

Contacts

Curriculum Management

Entity

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