Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology

The 2023–2024 programme is subject to change. It is provided for information purposes only.

Programme objectives

To provide students with the necessary background for taking an master programme based on the discipline traditions of sociology and anthropology. Students will learn ways of analysing various complex social situations using appropriate research methods.

Programme's added value

The bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology provides students with quite an in-depth education in each of these two sister disciplines. The bachelor as a whole provides a good background in languages.

The possibility of exchanges is a priority aspect of any programme. The Department has agreements with more than a hundred partners throughout the world enabling students to spend a semester or a whole year.

The opportunity to do a work placement or fieldwork is provided as of master.

Throughout the year we offer:

- Coaching: the department has introduced a coaching programme targeting all students enrolled in the first bachelor year. It is run by a team of assistants. The aim of this coaching is to support students in their first steps at the University and to help them pass their exams:
  - exercise sessions;
  - guidance;
  - the possibility to consult your exam scripts;
  - and our teachers are available at certain times to speak to you and answer your questions.

You will have at your disposal:

- the human sciences library;
- several specialist libraries; the Faculty's computer rooms.

Website: www.philoscsoc.ulb.be

Succeed in your studies

ULB offers a number of activities and resources that can help you develop a successful strategy before or during your studies.

You can make the transition to higher education easier by attending preparatory courses, summer classes, and information and orientation sessions, even before you start your studies at ULB.

During your studies, many people at ULB are there specifically to help you succeed: support staff in each faculty, (inter-)faculty guidance counsellors, tutors, and experts in academic methodology.

International/Openness

The department has exchange agreements with more than a hundred partner universities in Europe and throughout the world.

Job opportunities

A whole range of professional careers in various sectors:
Social services (social security organisations, family planning centres, welfare centres, etc.)
Health, safety, education
The civil service in general
Training
Public relations
Voluntary organisations
Trade unions
Consultancy
National and international project-funding institutions (European Commission, World Bank, etc.)
Polling organisations
Teaching
Research centres

Finally, you can also go into research. By adding a master in sociology or anthropology to their bachelier, the following occupations are open to students:

University-level social worker
International aid / development work

Team leader/organiser in the non-profit sector or in an NGO
Secondary school teacher / university lecturer
Journalist
Civil service occupations
Consultant
Manager in the private sector (communications, public relations, etc.)
Researcher in anthropology or sociology

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Joël Noret

Jury Secretary
Matteo GAGLILOLO
As indicated by its title, the bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology provides basic education in these two disciplines. However, given the complexity of the subject matter of these disciplines, we also provide a good background in a range of related disciplines providing complementary perspectives: philosophy, history, human geography, demography, statistics, law, psychology, etc. These disciplines are systematically looked at with regard to their relationships to the social sciences.

During the bachelor period, students follow units progressively building up their knowledge of the theory and methodologies used in sociology and anthropology and specific subjects belonging to these two disciplines. Exercises associated with theoretical thinking and fieldwork are organised during the first year. The intention of this programme is to give priority to learning the use of both quantitative and qualitative methodologies in social sciences.

Last but not least, language lessons are provided throughout the programme.

**Bloc 1 | BA-SOCA**

### Cours obligatoires

**DROI-D103**  
*Introduction au droit, y compris les aspects sociologiques du droit* | Anne LAGERWALL (Coordinator) and Julien PIERET  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
second term  
French

**GEOG-F103**  
*Fondements de la géographie humaine* | Jean-Michel DECREOLY (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 36h, project: 20h]  
second term  
French

**HIST-D102**  
*Critique historique appliquée aux sciences sociales* | Didier VIVIERS (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
second term  
French

**HIST-S101**  
*Introduction à l’histoire globale du capitalisme* | Kenneth BERTRAMS (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 36h]  
second term  
French

**LANG-D104**  
*Anglais* | Alexander Hugh RAYMOND (Coordinator) and Zsofia GYORI  
5 credits [lecture: 24h, personal assignments: 36h]  
academic year  
French

**PHIL-D101**  
*Introduction à la philosophie dans ses rapports avec les sciences politiques et sociales* | Jean-Yves PRANCHERE (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
first term  
French

**SOCA-D101**  
*Anthropologie sociale et culturelle I* | Joël Noret (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 36h, tutorial classes: 24h]  
first and second terms  
French

**SOCA-D106**  
*Introduction à la démarche sociologique et initiation à la recherche documentaire* | Pierre DESMAREZ (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]  
first term  
French

**SOCA-D173**  
*Formalisation pour les sciences sociales et politiques* | Matteo GAGLIOLO (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]  
first term  
French

**SOCA-D209**  
*Initiation aux méthodes quantitatives* | Dirk JACOBS (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
second term  
French

### Module Bilingue

**Psychologie**

*A total of five credits chosen from the following*

**PSYC-D102** *(optional)*  
*Psychologie dans ses rapports avec les sciences sociales* | Philippe BERNARD (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
second term  
French

**PSYC-Y100** *(optional)*  
*Algemene psychologie*  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
academic year  
French
A total of five credits chosen from the following:

**SOCA-D102** (optional)

**Sociologie générale** | Pierre LANNNOY (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 36h]  first term  French

**SOCA-Y100** (optional)

**Sociologie I**
5 credits [lecture: 36h]  academic year  Dutch
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Cours obligatoires

**DROI-D203**  
**Droit public** | Julien PIERET (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 48h]  
first term  
French

**ECON-D210**  
**Economie politique générale** | Gani ALDASHEV (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]  
second term  
French

**LANG-D204**  
**Anglais II** | Frédéric Grün (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 48h, personal assignments: 12h]  
first and second terms  
English

**PSYC-D202**  
**Méthodologie de l'entretien de recherche** | Abdellali HAJJAT (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
first term  
French

**SOCA-D201**  
**Anthropologie sociale et culturelle II** | David BERLINER (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]  
second term  
French

**SOCA-D204**  
**Méthodologie de l'anthropologie sociale et culturelle** | Maitê Maskens (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 12h]  
first term  
French

**STAT-D207**  
**Eléments de statistiques pour les sciences sociales** | Catherine VERMANDELE (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]  
first term  
French

Module bilingue - Sociologie II

A total of five credits chosen from the following

**SOCA-D202** (optional)  
**Sociologie II** | Andrea REA (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 36h]  
first term  
French

**SOCA-Y200** (optional)  
**Sociologie II**  
5 credits [lecture: 36h]  
academic year  
Dutch

Cours optionnels

A total of ten credits chosen from the following

**HIST-B100** (optional)  
**Histoire de l'Antiquité** | Didier VIVIERS (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 36h]  
second term  
French

**HIST-B105** (optional)  
**Histoire du Moyen Age** | Nicolas SCHROEDER (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 36h]  
first term  
French

**HIST-B115** (optional)  
**Histoire de l'Epoque contemporaine** | Pieter LAGROU (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 48h]  
first term  
French

**HIST-D201** (optional)  
**Histoire politique contemporaine de la Belgique** | Serge JAUMAIN (Coordinator)  
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
second term  
French
An option chosen from (the same in bloc 2 and bloc 3):

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Cours de langues

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Cours obligatoires

INFO-D203 | Analyse exploratoire et visualisation de données | Matteo GAGLIOLO (Coordinator) | 5 [36h] | 1st term | French |

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Sociologie

SOCA-D313 | Sociologie du travail et Chaire FGTB | Esteban MARTINEZ-GARCIA (Coordinator) | 5 [36h] | 1st and 2nd terms | French |

SOCA-D325 | Classes, stratification et styles de vie | Laurie HANQUINET (Coordinator) | 5 [24h] | 1st term | French |

SOCA-D326 | Séminaire de sociologie | | 5 [24h] | 1st and 2nd terms | French |

SOCA-D501 | La question sociale du XIXe Siècle à nos jours | Daniel ZAMORA VARGAS (Coordinator) | 5 [24h] | Academic year | French |

STAT-D203 | Analyse quantitative | Catherine VERMANDELE (Coordinator) | 5 [24h, tutorial classes: 24h] | 1st term | French |

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