Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology

Programme mnemonic
BA-SOCA

Studies level
Bachelor

Learning language
French

Schedule
Office hours

Studies category / subcategory
Human and social sciences / Political and social sciences

Campus
Solbosch

Programme objectives
To provide students with the necessary background for taking a 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

Choose
The information and guidance counsellors at the InfoR-études [https://www.ulb.be/en/studies-info-desk-1] service will help you choose your studies throughout the year.

Succeed

Get help
Apply for financial aid, look for accommodation or a student job, get support [https://www.ulb.be/fr/aides-services-et-accompagnement/aid-services-and-support-1] for your specific needs.

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
Finally, you can also go into research. By adding a master in sociology or anthropology to their bachelor, 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_  
  Julien PIERET (Coordinator)  
  5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  second term  
  French

- **GEOG-F103**  
  _Fondements de la géographie humaine_  
  Jean-Michel DECROLY (Coordinator)  
  5 credits [lecture: 36h, project: 20h]  
  second term  
  French

- **HIST-D102**  
  _Critique historique appliquée aux sciences sociales_  
  Didier VIVIERS (Coordinator) and Victor FERNANDEZ SORIANO  
  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_  
  Callum Bateson (Coordinator), Luis Ametller Suarez, David Albert BEST and Marjorie CASTERMANS  
  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_  
  Carla MASCIA (Coordinator) and Aurélie Aromatario  
  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**  
  _Psychologie dans ses rapports avec les sciences sociales_  
  Philippe BERNARD (Coordinator)  
  5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  second term  
  French

- **PSYC-Y100**  
  _Algemene psychologie_  
  5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  academic year  
  French
**Sociologie générale**

*A total of five credits chosen from the following*

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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 | Maité Maskens (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h, practical work: 12h] | first term | French

STAT-D207  Eléments de statistique 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  Sociologie II | Andrea REA (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 36h] | first term | French

SOCA-Y200  Sociologie II
5 credits [lecture: 36h] | academic year | Dutch

Cours optionnels

A total of ten credits chosen from the following

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

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

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

HIST-D201  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):

B-SOCA-S  Option sociologie > page
B-SOCA-A  Option anthropologie > page
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Bloc 3 | BA-SOCA

Cours obligatoires

LANG-D304  | Anglais III | Alexander Hugh RAYMOND (Coordinator), David Albert BEST and Frédéric Grün
5 credits [lecture: 48h, practical work: 12h]  | first and second terms  | English

SOCA-D203  | Eléments d’épistémologie des sciences sociales | Meike Brodersen (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  | first term  | French

SOCA-D323  | Anthropologie du proche | Alexander NEWELL (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  | second term  | French

SOCA-D324  | Travail de recherche | Dirk JACOBS (Coordinator) and Carla MASCIA
5 credits [tutorial classes: 36h]  | first term  | French

Module Bilingue - Démographie

A total of five credits chosen from the following

SOCA-D304  | Démographie | Jean-Michel DECROLY (Coordinator)
5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h]  | first term  | French

SOCA-Y301  | Social demography
5 credits [lecture: 24h]  | academic year  | English

An option chosen from (the same in bloc 2 and bloc 3):

B-SOCA-S  | Option sociologie  > page
B-SOCA-A  | Option anthropologie  > page
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**Options | BA-SOCA**

**Option sociologie | B-SOCA-S**

**Bloc 2**

**Cours de langues**

*A total of five credits chosen from the following*

- **LANG-D214** (option/optional)
  - Néerlandais | Tinne DEBOUT (Coordinator), Marie-Claire Merrigan and Evie TOPS
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - Dutch

- **LANG-D231** (option/optional)
  - Espagnol | Emilie RIKIR (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - second term  
  - Spanish

**Cours obligatoires**

- **INFO-D203** (option)
  - Analyse exploratoire et visualisation de données | Matteo GAGLIOLO (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 36h]  
  - first term  
  - French

**Bloc 3**

**Sociologie**

- **SOCA-D313** (option)
  - Sociologie du travail et Chaire FGTB | Meike Brodersen (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 36h]  
  - first and second terms  
  - French

- **SOCA-D325** (option)
  - Classes, stratification et styles de vie | Laurie HANQUINET (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - first term  
  - French

- **SOCA-D326** (option)
  - Séminaire de sociologie | Meike Brodersen (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - first and second terms  
  - French

- **SOCA-D501** (option)
  - La question sociale du XIXe Siècle à nos jours | Daniel ZAMORA VARGAS (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - academic year  
  - French

- **STAT-D203** (option)
  - Analyse quantitative | Catherine VERMANDELE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h]  
  - first term  
  - French

**Cours optionnels**

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*One course chosen from the following*

- **LANG-D314** (option/optional)
  - Néerlandais II | Tinne DEBOUT (Coordinator), Christelle JUSSIANT and Evie TOPS
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  
  - first term  
  - Dutch
Option anthropologie | B-SOCA-A

Bloc 2

Cours-obligatoires

* A total of ten credits chosen from the following

- Histoire de la pensée économique | Jean Luc DE MEULEMEESTER (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits (lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h)
  - first term
  - French

- Histoire de la philosophie contemporaine | Didier DEBAISE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits (lecture: 36h, tutorial classes: 12h)
  - second term
  - French

- Introduction à l'Étude de la Mondialisation et du développement | Jacinto Cuvi (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits (lecture: 24h)
  - second term
  - French

- Anthropologie physique dans ses rapports avec les sciences humaines | Martine VERCAUTEREN (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits (lecture: 24h)
  - second term
  - French

Bloc 3

Anthropologie

- Histoire de la pensée anthropologique | Benjamin RUBBERS (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits (lecture: 24h)
  - second term
  - French

- Séminaire d'anthropologie | Pierre PETIT (Coordinator), Asuncion FRESNOZA and Giulia Mensitieri
  - 5 credits (lecture: 48h)
  - first and second terms
  - English/French

- Initiation à la pratique de terrain en anthropologie | Véronique JOIRIS (Coordinator) and Olivia VIEUJEAN
  - 5 credits (lecture: 24h)
  - second term
  - French

- Le capitalisme et les sciences sociales | Joël Noret (Coordinator), Olivia Ange and Giulia Mensitieri
  - 5 credits (lecture: 24h)
  - second term
  - French
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