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 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 service will help you choose your studies throughout the year.

Succeed

Take part in preparatory courses or get help to succeed, before or during your studies.

Get help

Apply for financial aid, look for accommodation or a student job, get support 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
- 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.

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#### Cours obligatoires

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<td>DROI-D103</td>
<td>Introduction au droit, y compris les aspects sociologiques du droit</td>
<td>Anne LAGERWALL (Coordinator) and Julien PIERET</td>
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<td>GEOG-F103</td>
<td>Fondements de la géographie humaine</td>
<td>Jean-Michel DECROLY (Coordinator)</td>
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<td>HIST-D102</td>
<td>Critique historique appliquée aux sciences sociales</td>
<td>Didier VIVIERS (Coordinator)</td>
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<td>HIST-S101</td>
<td>Introduction à l’histoire globale du capitalisme</td>
<td>Kenneth BERTRAMS (Coordinator)</td>
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<td>Anglais I</td>
<td>Alexander Hugh RAYMOND (Coordinator) and Zsofia GYORI</td>
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<td>Introduction à la philosophie dans ses rapports avec les sciences politiques et sociales</td>
<td>Jean-Yves PRANCHERE (Coordinator)</td>
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<td>Introduction à la démarche sociologique et initiation à la recherche documentaire</td>
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<td>Dirk JACOBS (Coordinator)</td>
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#### Module Bilingue

**Psychologie**

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## Sociologie générale

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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 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  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)
  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'Époque 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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Cours obligatoires

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

SOCA-D203  | Eléments d’épistémologie des sciences sociales
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  | Andrea REA (Coordinator) and Dirk JACOBS
5 credits [tutorial classes: 36h]  
first term  
French

Module Bilingue - Démographie

A total of five credits chosen from the following

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

SOCA-Y301 (optional)  | 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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Bloc 2

Cours de langues

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<td>Emilie RIKIR (Coordinator)</td>
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Cours obligatoires

INFO-D203 | Matteo GAGLIOLI (Coordinator) | 5 credits | first term, French |

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Sociologie

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Option anthropologie | B-SOCA-A

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<td>Jean Luc DE MEULEMEESTER</td>
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<td>Histoire de la philosophie contemporaine</td>
<td>Didier DEBAISE</td>
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<td>Introduction à l'Etude de la Mondialisation et du développement</td>
<td>Jacinto Cuvi</td>
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<td>Anthropologie physique dans ses rapports avec les sciences humaines</td>
<td>Martine VERCAUTEREN</td>
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Anthropologie

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<td>Benjamin RUBBERS</td>
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<td>Séminaire d'anthropologie</td>
<td>Pierre PETIT and Asuncion FRESNOZA</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>Initiation à la pratique de terrain en anthropologie</td>
<td>Véronique JOIRIS</td>
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<td>Le capitalisme et les sciences sociales</td>
<td>Joël Noret and Olivia Ange</td>
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SOCA-D207 (option/optional)
- Ethologie et sociétés | Vinciane DESPRET (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  second term  French

SOCA-D313 (option/optional)
- Sociologie du travail et Chaire FGTB
  - 5 credits [lecture: 36h]  first and second terms  French

SOCA-D315 (option/optional)
- Sociologie de l'éducation | Philippe VIENNE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  first term  French

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

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

STAT-D307 (option/optional)
- Méthodes d'enquête et de sondage | Catherine VERMANDELE (Coordinator)
  - 5 credits [lecture: 24h]  second term  French