



# THE GRADUATE PROGRAM IN ANTHROPOLOGY

Stanford University | 2013-2014  
(for matriculation beginning 2014-2015)

Graduate training in Anthropology at Stanford University is designed for students who seek the Doctoral (PhD) degree, and for students who seek the Masters (MA) 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) Ecology and Environment; 3) Culture and Society.

## **GRADUATE MA DEGREE PROGRAM**

Anthropology admits a limited number of students to pursue the terminal MA 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 MA are not permitted. Anthropology MA applicants whose ultimate goal is the Anthropology PhD degree program should apply directly to the PhD degree program. Transferring from the MA degree program to the PhD degree program is not permitted.

The deadline for graduate applications to the MA degree program is 10 December 2013. Prospective applicants should reference the department web site for information about application for graduate admission. Successful applicants for the MA program may enter in the following Autumn Quarter. Only Terminal MA Applicants must file a report of their Graduate Record Examination score, electronically, by way of the Educational Testing Service. Application procedures for both the terminal and coterminal degree programs can be found at <https://www.stanford.edu/dept/anthropology/cgi-bin/web/?q=node/11>.

MA degree requirements include the following:

- Enrollment over a minimum of 3 quarters with a minimum of 45 quarter units in Anthropology curriculum (beyond the undergraduate 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;
- 18 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, Culture and Society, Ecology and Environment.

Although, the MA 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 PhD DEGREE PROGRAM**

Prospective graduate PhD applicants should submit their applications on line by reading the information located at <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 10 December 2013 9:00 PM Pacific Standard Time. Application procedures for the PhD degree program can be found at <https://www.stanford.edu/dept/anthropology/cgi-bin/web/?q=node/11>. 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 PhD include successful enrollment and participation in the department's review courses, 2 qualifying projects (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 PhD within 5 years. Anthropology PhD 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>.

## **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

No Financial support is available for students in the MA degree programs. For PhD 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 PhD degree program who maintain satisfactory degree progress.

Graduate funding 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 PhD 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. Second year students are encouraged to make at least two funding applications for summer 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 2014-2015. PhD and MA applications must be submitted by 10 December 2013 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>.

For information from the Department regarding the graduate admissions process and the degree program, see <https://www.stanford.edu/dept/anthropology/cgi-bin/web/?q=node/11>.

## **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: <http://anthropology.stanford.edu>

Archaeology in Anthropology builds on the research interests of the Archaeology faculty appointed in the Department of Anthropology as well as of faculty associated with the Archaeology Center. Faculty research areas may include historical periods ranging from early humans and contemporary studies of material culture.

For further information, go to: <http://archaeology.stanford.edu>

## **FACULTY**

**Rebecca Bliege Bird** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. UC Davis, 1996*) Anthropogenic fire, behavioral ecology, landscape ecology, subsistence decisions, public goods, gender, prestige, Australia/Oceania.

**Lisa Curran** (*Professor; Ph.D. Princeton, 1994*) Political ecology of land use; governmental policies/transnational firms; natural resource sector; ecological dynamics; land rights/rural livelihoods; NGOs/protected areas/donor agencies; REDD carbon payments; corruption; Asia/Latin America.

**William H. Durham** (*Professor; Ph.D. Michigan, 1977*) Biological anthropology, ecological and evolutionary anthropology, cultural evolution, conservation and community development, resource management, environmental issues; Central and South America.

**Paula A. 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 anthropology, social and cultural theory, southern Africa.

**James A. Fox** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. Chicago, 1978*) Linguistic anthropology, historical linguistics, biology and evolution of language, archaeological decipherment, settlement of the New World, computational methods; Mesoamerica, Americas.

**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** (*Assistant Professor; Ph.D. Harvard, 2007*) Medical and psychological anthropology; violence, suffering and care; addiction, morality and science; subjectivity; ethnographic writing; Unites States, Mexico.

**Thomas Blom Hansen** (*Professor; Ph.D. Roskilde University, Denmark*) Broad interests spanning South Asia and Southern Africa, several cities and multiple theoretical and disciplinary interests from political theory and continental philosophy to psychoanalysis, comparative religion and contemporary urbanism.

**Ian Hodder** (*Professor; Ph.D. Cambridge U., 1974*) Archaeological theory, the archaeology and cultural heritage of Europe and the Middle East, excavations in Turkey, material culture.

**Miyako Inoue** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. Washington University, 1996*) linguistic anthropology, sociolinguistics, semiotics, linguistic modernity, anthropology of writing, inscription devices, materialities of language, social organizations of documents, soundscape, technologies of liberalism, gender, urban studies, Japan, East Asia.

**Lochlann Jain** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. U.C. Santa Cruz, 1999*) Extra-legal forms of communications, such as warning signs and medical apologies; queer studies; art and design.

**James Holland Jones** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. Harvard U., 2000*) Human ecology, population biology, formal methods, family demography and kinship, social epidemiology, HIV/STD epidemiology, conservation biology; Africa, Asia, Americas.

**Richard Klein** (*Professor; Ph.D. Chicago, 1966*) Paleoanthropology; Africa, Europe.

**Matthew Kohrman** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. Harvard U., 1999*) Medical anthropology, governmentality, illness experience, gender, China.

**Tanya Luhmann** (*Professor; Ph.D. Cambridge U., 1986*) The social construction of psychological experience, social practice and the way people experience their world, the domain of what some would term the "irrational".

**Liisa Malkki** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. Harvard U., 1989*) Historical historical consciousness and memory; mass displacement and exile; racial essentialism and mass violence; nationalism and internationalism; the ethics and politics of humanitarianism; religion and contemporary missions in Africa.

**Lynn Meskell** (*Professor; Ph.D. Cambridge, 1997*) Archaeological theory, ethnography, South Africa, Egypt, Mediterranean, Middle East, heritage, identity, politics, embodiment, postcolonial and feminist theory, ethics, tourism.

**John W. Rick** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. Michigan, 1978*) Prehistoric archaeology and anthropology of band-level hunter-gatherers, stone tool studies, analytical methodology, animal domestication; Latin America, Southwest U.S.

**Krish Seetah** (*Assistant Professor; Ph.D. University of Cambridge, 2006*) Zooarchaeology, human-animal relationships, colonialism, Indian Ocean World.

**Kabir Tambar** (*Assistant Professor; Ph.D. University of Chicago, 2009*) Religion and secularism, pluralism and nationalism, the politics of affect, Islam, Middle East, Turkey.

**Sharika Thiranagama** (*Assistant Professor; Ph.D. Endinburgh, 2006*) Ethnicity, Violence, Gender, Kinship, Displacement, Political Anthropology and Political Theory, Sri Lanka, South Asia

**Barbara Voss** (*Associate Professor; Ph.D. U.C. Berkeley, 2002*) historical archaeology, archaeology of colonialism, culture contact, Spanish-colonial archaeology, overseas Chinese archaeology, postcolonial theory, gender and sexuality studies, queer theory, cultural resource management, public archaeology, community-based research, California archaeology.

**Michael Wilcox** (*Associate Professor [teaching]; Ph.D. Harvard, 2001*) postcolonial approaches to archaeology; ethnic identity and conflict; political and historical relationships between Native Americans and anthropologists and archaeologists.

**Sylvia J. Yanagisako** (*Professor; Ph.D. Washington University, 1975*) Anthropology of capitalism, transnationalism, social and cultural theory, feminist theory. U.S., Italy.

## **EMERITI**

Clifford Barnett, Harumi Befu, George A. Collier, Jane F. Collier, Carol L. Delaney, Charles O. Frake, James L. Gibbs, Jr., Renato Rosaldo, George D. Spindler

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