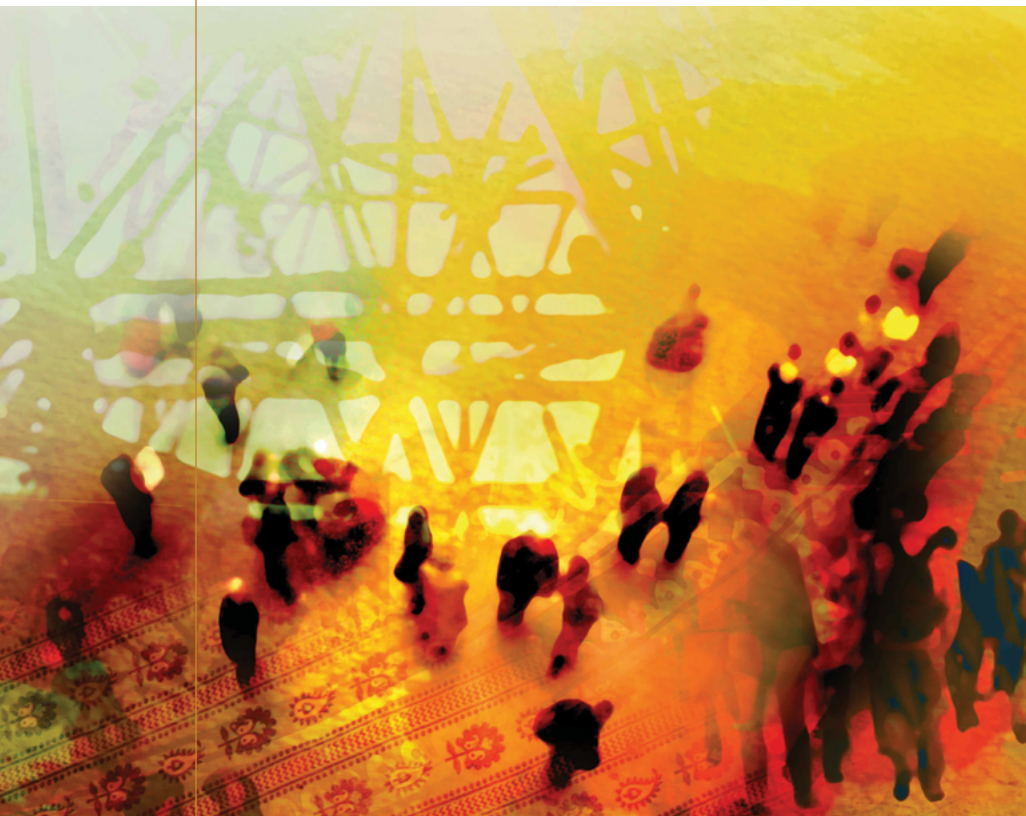




Master of Applied Anthropology and Development



CRICOS code: 082267E

UAC code: 830084

Duration: 1 year FT

Prerequisites: none

Master of Applied
Anthropology &
Development (Advanced):

CRICOS code: 082268D



Anthropology

#1

in Australia

#5 globally

*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2021

If you're a development practitioner, or aspiring to be one, the Master of Applied Anthropology and Development (MAAAD) will give you the practical and analytic skills you need to make a difference, and also the theory to assess your impact.

MAAAD has a number of themes to guide your course choices according to your passions such as conflict, development, gender, health, and humanitarian, as well as specialisations in indigenous policy and environment.

Taught by anthropologists and other social scientists who are engaged in innovative development research and practice, the program is infused with the expertise that gives The Australian National University a world-class reputation in anthropological studies.

Professional outcomes

The program attracts students from international and government agencies, non-government organisations and consultants. Some of them are already working in development, while others are looking to move into development work. Students in the program come from varied backgrounds in terms of their nationalities, training and work experience. This diversity is fostered through options for delivery to off-campus students, as well as research and internship possibilities.

MAAAD graduates go on to work in a range of development organisations and programs, and continue to value the networks formed during their studies.

Applied Anthropology and Development at ANU

This degree has a combination of required and elective courses which are designed to support its learning objectives.

The range of elective courses enable students to focus on issues of interest to them, including international field schools internship and research options. In addition to the themes, MAAAD has two specialisations: Indigenous Policy and Society and Environment, where you can look at these issues in much more depth.

The Master of Applied Anthropology and Development (MAAAD) produces graduates who can:

- understand trends in development theory and practice as they apply to local development processes
- apply critical social inquiry and participatory processes in designing, implementing, monitoring and evaluating development activities
- undertake social assessments and integrate participatory practices in development work
- engage in the policy processes of NGOs, the private sector, government, and multilateral agencies to ensure the inclusion of local and community perspectives.

MAAAD is a highly-regarded qualification taught by leading academics with development work experience in the field.

Admission requirements

At a minimum, all applicants must meet program-specific academic/non-academic requirements, and English language requirements. Admission to most ANU programs is on a competitive basis. Therefore, meeting all admission requirements does not automatically guarantee entry.

- A Bachelor degree or international equivalent AND a Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma with a GPA of at least 4/7 for the Master of Applied Anthropology and Development
- A cognate Bachelor degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 5/7 and the approval of an identified supervisor for the thesis for the Master of Applied Anthropology and Development
- All applicants must meet the University's English Language Admission Requirements for Students.



Sumati

Master of Applied Anthropology & Participatory Development

“Learning about their journey and their stories and understanding how difficult it is, especially for young girls and women, to have come from such difficult scenarios where they have fled persecution and violence and had come to Australia — it really got me interested in learning more about gender perspectives in the context of development, conflict and humanitarian crisis.

It has a perfect mix of coursework, research and on-field experiences. I'm really happy with my decision to just focus on my studies. It has paid me really well in terms of the friendships that I've gained, the relationships that I've made, and more importantly the knowledge and the experiences that I've gained.

I'm not sure where I'll be in five to ten years' time, but I know that I want to contribute to change in Australia, Nepal and possibly other developing countries.

I've seen the issues, I've seen the difficulties. It's not fair to those women that they have to live such a hard life when people like me have the opportunity to prosper in Australia and get all the knowledge and experience and guidance from really important and inspiring people.”

Having landed a place in the Australian Government's Department of Social Services' graduate program, Sumati hopes to work on social development policies with a focus on humanitarian settlement policy and gender violence policy.

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