Course Information Sheet for entry in 2017-18

MSc in Medical Anthropology

About the course

This one-year course offers a coordinated learning programme in both social and biological anthropological approaches to health and illness. It provides the necessary basis for future anthropological research and an excellent crosscultural grounding for those aiming to pursue a career in anthropology, global health or other health-related fields.



The MSc consists of four papers which you will take in June, and a 10,000-word dissertation which you will submit in late August. The three core papers, taught across Michaelmas and Hilary Terms, each comprise 16 lectures, three tutorials and one debate. You will also select an option paper, which may have a topical or regional focus, based on your own interests. The core papers are as follows:

- Paper 1: Concepts of disease, illness, health and medicine in global perspective
- Paper 2: Theory and practice of bio-medicine and of other medical systems
- Paper 3: Critical medical anthropology

There are two core seminar series in medical anthropology, the Fertility and Reproduction Seminars in Michaelmas term and the Medical Anthropology Research Seminars.

The dissertation is an independent piece of work written after the June examinations. Dissertation classes are held over the first four weeks of Trinity term for two hours per week, during which you will be able to present ideas for your dissertation project to colleagues and staff, and a maximum of two individual supervisors.

Changes to courses

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

Expected length of course

12 months

Annual fees for entry in 2017-2018

Fee Status	Tuition fee	College fee	Total annual fees	
Home/EU	£12,300	£3,021	£15,321	
(including islands)				
Overseas	£19,335	£3,021	£22,356	

The fees shown above are the annual tuition and college fees for this course for entry in the stated academic year; for courses lasting longer than one year, please be aware that fees will usually increase annually. Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

Tuition and college fees are payable each year for the duration of your fee liability (your fee liability is the length of time for which you are required to pay tuition and college fees).

Additional cost information

There are no compulsory elements of this course that entail additional costs beyond fees and living costs. However, as part of your course requirements, you may need to choose a dissertation, a project or a thesis topic. Please note that, depending on your choice of topic and the research required to complete it, you may incur additional expenses, such as travel expenses, research expenses, and field trips. You will need to meet these additional costs, although you may be able to apply for small grants from your department and/or college to help you cover some of these expenses.

Living costs

In addition to your fees, you will need to ensure that you have adequate funds to support your living costs for the duration of your course.

The likely living costs for 2017-18 are published below. These costs are based on a single, full-time graduate student, with no dependants, living in Oxford. We provide the cost per month so you can multiply up by the number of months you expect to live in Oxford.

	Likely living costs for 1 month		Likely living costs for 9 months		Likely living costs for 12 months	
	Lower	Upper range	Lower	Upper range	Lower	Upper range
Food	£250	£350	£2,250	£3,150	£3,000	£4,000
Accommodation	£538	£619	£4,844	£5,569	£6,459	£7,425
Personal items	£115	£255	£1,035	£2,295	£1,380	£3,060
Social activities	£40	£119	£358	£1,073	£477	£1,431
Study costs	£38	£83	£338	£743	£451	£991
Other	£22	£45	£196	£407	£261	£543
Total	£1,002	£1,471	£9,021	£13,237	£12,028	£17,649

When planning your finances for any future years of study in Oxford beyond 2017-18, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 2% each year.

More information about how these figures have been calculated is available at www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/graduate/fees-and-funding/living-costs.

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