

Guide to Participating Universities LAD2025

This guide provides an overview of undergraduate anthropology degrees, entry requirements and specialisms of the universities participating in London Anthropology Day 2025

- We suggest you speak to representatives during the day and visit universities' individual websites to check specific requirements and details.
- Please note that these tables have been compiled from information submitted by individuals from the universities.
- Please keep in mind that the information is subject to change.

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University of Birmingham	✓		✓		ABB to BBB IB 32/HL 6, 5, 5 and for BBB, IB 32/HL 5, 5, 5		cal_outreach@contacts.bham.ac.uk
Bournemouth University		✓	✓	✓	2 A levels, 104-120 UCAS points/IB 28–31.	Kate Welham, Melie Le Roy	kwelham@bournemouth.ac.uk mleyor@bournemouth.ac.uk
University of Bristol	✓	✓	✓		AAB/ IB 34/17 HL (BBB/ IB 31/15 HL contextual)	Theresia Hofer	theresia.hofer@bristol.ac.uk
University of Bradford		✓	✓	✓	BBC (Including one science subject)/112 UCAS Points	Hannah Koon, Adrian Evans	h.koon@bradford.ac.uk A.A.Evans@bradford.ac.uk
Brunel University London	✓				BBB/ IB 30	Anna Tuckett	anna.tuckett@brunel.ac.uk
University of Cambridge (Archaeology)	✓	✓	✓		A*AA/IB 41–42, with 776 at Higher Level		outreach@arch.cam.ac.uk
Durham University	✓	✓	✓		AAB/ IB 36	Rosie Legg	Rosie.Legg@durham.ac.uk
University of Edinburgh	✓		✓		AAA / IB 36/ 665 HL (ABB/ IB 34/655 HL contextually)		futuresstudents@ed.ac.uk
University of Exeter	✓		✓		AAB/ IB 34	Kawa Morad	k.morad@exeter.ac.uk
University of Southampton	✓	✓	✓	✓	ABB to BBB/IB 32 to 30/16 to 15 HL	Charlotte Joy	c.l.joy@soton.ac.uk
Goldsmiths College, University of London	✓		✓	A*AA/IB	BBC/ IB 33 (HL 655)		Admissions@gold.ac.uk
Liverpool John Moores University		✓			2 A Levels, 112 UCAS points/ IB 26	Admission departments	courses@ljamu.ac.uk
LSE	✓				AAB/ IB 37/666 HL		Anthropology.Enquiries@lse.ac.uk
University of Manchester	✓		✓		ABB/IB 34	Dr Chika Watanabe	chika.watanabe@manchester.ac.uk
University of Oxford	✓	✓	✓		AAA/ IB 38 (including core points) with 666 at HL		ugsupport@arch.ox.ac.uk , admissions@ihs.ox.ac.uk
Oxford Brookes University	✓	✓		more info	BCC/IB 29	Course Administrator	social_sciences@bronkes.ac.uk
Queen's University Belfast	✓				ABB/IB 33/655 HL	Dr. Fiona Murphy	f.murphy@qub.ac.uk
University of Reading	✓	✓	✓		BBB/IB 30	Alanna Cant	a.m.cant@reading.ac.uk
SOAS University of London	✓				ABB (BBB Contextual)/ IB 32-30 (655-555 HL)		study@soas.ac.uk
University of Sussex	✓			✓	ABB/ IB 30-32	Karis Jade Petty	K.petty@sussex.ac.uk
University College London	✓	✓	✓		AAB (BBC contextual)/ IB 36 (30 contextual)	Anthony Harris	uganthro@ucl.ac.uk
University of Winchester	✓	✓	✓	✓	104-120 UCAS points; BCC-BBB/ IB minimum of 2 Higher Level at grade 4	Lisa Bernasek	lisa_bernasek@winchester.ac.uk
University of Cambridge (Social Anthropology)	✓	✓	✓		A*AA/ IB: 41-42/ 20 or 776 at HL		Archaeology-outreach@arch.cam.ac.uk SocialAnthropology-enquiries@socanth.cam.ac.uk

Table B: Entry Requirements and Preferred Subjects	Entry Requirements	Preferred Subjects
University of Birmingham	ABB to BBB IB 32/HL 6, 5, 5 and for BBB, IB 32/HL 5, 5, 5	For the LV64 Anthropology and History Joint Honours programme, an A grade in A level History is required. There are no preferred subjects for other Anthropology undergraduate programmes.
Bournemouth University	2 A Levels, 104-120 UCAS points/IB 28–31.	No preferences
University of Bristol	AAB/ IB 34/17 HL (BBB/ IB 31/15 HL contextual)	No preferences
University of Bradford	BBC (Including one science subject)/112 UCAS Points	1 HL Science subject at grade 6. Plus HL 3 or SL 4 in Maths and English Language and Literature A or English B.
Brunel University London	BBB/ IB 30	No preferences
University of Cambridge (Archaeology)	A*AA/IB 41–42, with 776 at Higher Level	No preferences
Durham University	AAB/ IB 36	No preferences
University of Edinburgh	AAA / IB 36/ 665 HL (ABB/ IB 34/655 HL contextually)	No specific A Level subjects required. GCSEs: English at C or 4.
University of Exeter	AAB/ IB 34	No preferences
University of Southampton	ABB to BBB/IB 32 to 30/16 to 15 HL	No preferences
Goldsmiths College, University of London	BBC/ IB 33 (HL 655)	No preferences
Liverpool John Moores University	2 A Levels, 112 UCAS points/ IB 26	Science or Social Science subjects (including Anthropology)
LSE	AAB/ IB 37/666 HL	No preferences; applicants have typically studied, or are studying, subjects such as English, History, Economics, languages, Sociology, Music, Biology, Chemistry, Geography, Mathematics, Physics, RE, Psychology and Art.
University of Manchester	ABB/IB 34	No preferred subjects; many of our students come with a mixture of humanities and natural or social sciences subjects.
University of Oxford	AAA/ IB 38 (including core points) with 666 at HL	No preferences
Oxford Brookes University	BCC/IB 29	No preferences
Queen's University Belfast	ABB/IB 33/655 HL	No preferences
University of Reading	BBB/IB 30	No preferences
SOAS University of London	ABB (BBB Contextual)/ IB 32-30 (655-555 HL)	No preferences
University of Sussex	ABB/ IB 30-32	No preferences
University College London	AAB (BBC contextual)/ IB 36 (30 contextual)	No specific A level subjects. GCSEs: English Language and Mathematics, plus any Science (Single Science, Biology, Chemistry or Physics) or Combined Science.
University of Winchester	104-120 UCAS points; BCC-BBB/ IB minimum of 2 Higher Level at grade 4	No preferences
University of Cambridge (Social Anthropology)	A*AA/ IB: 41-42/ 20 or 776 at HL	No preferences

Table C: Degrees	Single Honours	Joint Honours
University of Birmingham	BA Social Anthropology	BA Social Anthropology & African Studies, BA Social Anthropology & Archaeology, BA Social Anthropology & Classical Literature and Civilisation, BA Social Anthropology & History, BA Social Anthropology & Politics
Bournemouth University		BSc (Hons) Archaeological, Anthropological and Forensic Sciences
University of Bristol	BA Anthropology	BA in Archaeology and Anthropology
University of Bradford	Forensic Anthropology (BSc), Archaeology (BSc)	
Brunel University London	Anthropology BSc.	Anthropology and Sociology BSc Human Geography and Anthropology BSc
University of Cambridge (Archaeology)	BA Human, Social and Political Sciences BA Archaeology (Biological Anthropology is offered through the Archaeology course, either as a stand-alone track or as a combination with Archaeology)	Social Anthropology with A) Politics and International Relations B) Sociology BA Archaeology (Biological Anthropology is offered through the Archaeology course, either as a stand-alone track or as a combination with Archaeology)
Durham University	BSc Anthropology; BA Anthropology: BSc Health & Human Sciences	BA Anthropology & Sociology; BA Anthropology & Archaeology; BSc Anthropology & Psychology
University of Edinburgh	MA Social Anthropology	MA Social Anthropology and Politics, MA Social Anthropology and Social Policy, MA Social Anthropology with Development, MA Arabic and Social Anthropology, MA Archaeology and Social Anthropology, MA Geography and Social Anthropology, MA Law and Social Anthropology, MA Linguistics and Social Anthropology, MA Persian and Social Anthropology, MA Sociology and Social Anthropology
University of Exeter	BA Anthropology	Archeology and Anthropology BA, Sociology and Anthropology BA, Further flexibility is offered by enrolling anthropology as a part of Flexible Combined Honours BA/BSc
University of Southampton		BA Archaeology and Anthropology
Goldsmiths College, University of London	BA Anthropology; BA Anthropology, Media and Digital Practice; BA Integrated Degree in Anthropology (with Foundation Year).	
Liverpool John Moores University	BSc (Hons) Forensic Anthropology	
LSE	BA Social Anthropology; BSc Social Anthropology	BA Anthropology and Law

University of Manchester	BSocSc in Social Anthropology (3 years or 4 years with study year abroad)	BSocSc Social Anthropology and Politics, BSocSc Social Anthropology and Philosophy, BSocSc Social Anthropology and Sociology, BSocSc Social Anthropology and Quantitative Methods, BSocSc Social Anthropology and Criminology, BA Anthropology and Comparative Religion, BA Social Anthropology and Linguistics, BA Archaeology and Anthropology
University of Oxford	BA Human Sciences	BA Archaeology and Anthropology
Oxford Brookes University	BSc Anthropology/ BA Social Anthropology/ BSc Biological Anthropology	Anthropology with: Communication, Media and Culture/ Criminology/ English Literature/ Geography/ History/ History of Art/ International Relations/ Philosophy/ Sociology.
Queen's University Belfast	Anthropology BA	Anthropology and English 3 yrs (QL36), Anthropology and French 4 yrs (RL16), Anthropology and History 3 yrs (VL16), Anthropology and Irish 3 yrs (QL56), Anthropology and Spanish 4 yrs (LR64), Anthropology and International Relations 3 years (LL6F), Anthropology and Philosophy 3 years (LV65), Anthropology and Politics 3 years (LL62)
University of Reading		BA Archaeology and Anthropology
SOAS University of London	BA Social Anthropology	BA Social Anthropology and... Arabic*, Chinese*, Development Studies, East Asian Studies, Economics, History, History of Art, International Relations, Japanese*, Korean*, Languages and Cultures, Law, Linguistics, Music, Politics, World Philosophies *4 year degree with compulsory year abroad
University of Sussex	BA (Hons) Anthropology	Anthropology and International Development BA (Hons), Anthropology with a Language BA (Hons), Geography and Anthropology BA (Hons), History and Anthropology BA (Hons), International Relations and Anthropology BA (Hons)
University College London	BSc Anthropology, BSc Anthropology with a Year Abroad.	BA Archaeology and Anthropology, UCL Institute of Archaeology
University of Winchester	BA (Hons) Anthropology	BA (Hons) Anthropology and Archaeology
University of Cambridge (Social Anthropology)	BA Human, Social and Political Sciences, BA Archaeology (Biological Anthropology is offered through the Archaeology course, either as a stand-alone track or as a combination with Archaeology)	Social Anthropology with A) Politics B) Sociology C) Religious Studies (Modern Religions) BA Archaeology (Biological Anthropology is offered through the Archaeology course, either as a stand-alone track or as a combination with Archaeology)

Table D: Features and Interests	Interests	Special Features
University of Birmingham	Gender relations, development, the urban, economic life, migration, religion, politics and activism, popular culture and ethnographic storytelling.	Work placements, year abroad and students-led research.
Bournemouth University	Human evolution, childhood and development, violence and trauma, palaeopathology and forensic applications.	Short and long placements available on all programmes. Plus study abroad options available.
University of Bristol	Kinship, Migration, Evolutionary Anthropology, Primatology, Linguistic Anthropolgy, Forensics, Early Human Origins, Social Evolution, Material Culture, Cultural Evolution, Economic Anthropology, Amazonia, Human Health, Childhood, Africa and S.E. Asia.	Potential to spend a teaching block abroad in the second year, opportunity for work placement
University of Bradford	Forensic Anthropology, Archaeology and Human Evolution.	Placement year and/or year abroad, field-work and world leading practical teaching space and facilities.
Brunel University London	AIDS epidemic, Anthropology of emotion, Cosmology and witchcraft, Development, inequality and education, Development and race, Disability and human rights, Education, children's rights and social protection, Energy and resource conflict, Economic life in cross-cultural perspective, Infrastructure development, International development, Markets and trade, Masculinity and sexuality, Migration, '(i)legality', citizenship, Mobility and connectivity across regions, Nationalism, religion and social conflict, Personhood, history and landscape, Performance and the body, Post-colonial anthropology, Psychological and psychiatric anthropology Roads and transport infrastructure, Sectarian and identity politics, Trade, mobility, social life of work, Young people	Brunel anthropology undergraduate courses offer students the unique possibility to undertake either two six-month placements or a year-long placement while studying. Placements can be based at home or abroad. They range from supporting charities or development programmes to working in a museum or a school.
University of Cambridge (Archaeology)	Biological Anthropology - human origins, evolutionary history, ecology, adaptations, genetics, behaviour, primatology, human health and disease.	Biological Anthropology is taught as part of the Archaeology course, either as a stand-alone track or as a combination with Archaeology. Papers can also be borrowed from Social Anthropology, Politics, Sociology, Classics or Psychology. 2 weeks excavation training, Easter fieldtrip, 4 weeks independently organised fieldwork OR museum work (abroad or UK-based).
Durham University	Integrative and broad-based approaches to anthropology, with three main sub-fields: social anthropology (e.g. politics, expertise, development, energy, religion, economics, kinship), biological/evolutionary anthropology (e.g. primatology, palaeoanthropology, forensic anthropology, cognition & cultural evolution) and the anthropology of health (e.g. critical medical anthropology, global health, planetary health & environment, evolutionary medicine).	All our degrees can incorporate a year abroad or placement year. All our students train in qualitative and quantitative research methods from year one and participate in hands on local fieldwork activities in year two and a funded residential field school in year three (or a virtual alternative). The field course is compulsory for single honours students and optional for joint honours students. Students also have the option to study anthropology as part of a broader degree in Natural Sciences, Liberal Arts or Combined Honours in Social Sciences.
University of Edinburgh	Our research is global in scope and at the heart of our teaching practice. It includes core themes in medical anthropology; religion and society; migration and refugee studies; politics and the law; science and technology; kinship and relatedness; peace and conflict studies; anthropology and the arts; media anthropology; cultural heritage; international development; human-animal relations; sexuality and reproduction; and infrastructure and energy transitions.	Students will have the opportunity to conduct your own research in the summer break between Years 3 and 4. Your dissertation supervisor will help you to plan and develop your research project which can take place in the UK or overseas.
University of Exeter	Anthropology at Exeter sits within the Department of Social and Political Sciences, Philosophy and Anthropology. It includes staff with a very wide range of interests. Staff teach and research on the anthropology of health, illness and wellbeing, the anthropology of the senses, human-animal interactions, food, political anthropology (especially relating to the Middle East), forced migration, institutions, ethnicity, and science and technology studies.	We try to foster a hands-on introduction to anthropology, from our study abroad options with a range of partner universities around the world (available to students earning a 2.1 or above) to our many practice-based modules. Our modules in food studies take full advantage of local foodways through fieldtrips and workshops. Similarly, students design their own research projects in both core and optional modules and most students conduct an empirical research project for their dissertation.
University of Southampton	Archaeology and Anthropology at Southampton takes you on a 3-million-year journey to discover what it is to be human. Our course draws widely on the Humanities and Sciences, and allows you the opportunity to explore those aspects of human culture and physical being, past and present, that excite you most. Located on the sunny south coast of England, it is appropriate that one of our core specialisms is maritime archaeology and ethnography..	We have a purpose-built archaeology building, equipped with the latest science-based laboratories. On this anthropology and archaeology degree you'll gain hands-on experience with archaeological artefacts and materials, and receive the practical training needed for a career in archaeology or anthropology.

Goldsmiths College, University of London	Visual Anthropology, Multimodal Anthropology, Political Economy, Migration, Social Justice, Environment and Sustainability, Gender, Urban Futures, Applied Anthropology and Development. Health and Disability.	Undergraduate programmes include the opportunity to complete a work placement in year 3; students have the opportunity to apply for a term of study at one of a number of European universities in either year 2 or 3 of our Undergraduate Programmes.
Liverpool John Moores University	Forensic anthropology, biological anthropology, human evolution and behaviour, human osteology and anatomy, forensic science, mass grave recovery and human rights, forensic entomology and environmental reconstruction.	Extensive hands-on fieldwork and laboratory work, opportunity to study abroad for a semester or year or to undertake a year-long work placement. Extensive human skeletal collection available for practicals, research and projects. Availability of state-of-the-art radiographic and forensic equipment and mock crime scenes facilities.
LSE	Political and Economic Anthropology, Kinship, Family and Childhood, Digital Worlds, Environmental Anthropology, Morality, Law and Justice, Anthropology of Religion, Psychological Anthropology, Digital Worlds, Anthropology of Development, Health and Welfare.	Funded summer fieldwork projects; opportunity for Year Abroad; Away Days; regular field trips in London. Our BA in Anthropology and Law teaches prospective solicitors all the subjects they need to sit the SQE.
University of Manchester	Political and economic anthropology, Anthropology of development, Museums and material culture, Visual and sensory anthropology, Anthropology of childhood and education, Anthropology of migration and cities and Medical anthropology.	Options for semester and year abroad study. Plus options for hands-on training in digital film-making.
University of Oxford	Social & Cultural Anthropology, Medical Anthropology, Human Sciences, Cognitive & Evolutionary Anthropology, Migration, Policy & Society, Science, Innovation and Society, the Study of Social Cohesion, Visual, Material and Museum Anthropology.	4 weeks compulsory fieldwork anywhere in the world, object handling classes in local museums including the Pitt Rivers Museum and Ashmolean Museum.
Oxford Brookes University	Anthropology of Art, Ritual, Care, and Relatedness; Environmental and Economic Anthropology; Human Evolution; Osteology; Paleoanthropology; Primatology; Human-animal Relations.	You may be able to go on a European or international study exchange while you are at Brookes. Although we will help as much as we can with your plans, ultimately you are responsible for organising and funding this study abroad.
Queen's University Belfast	Anthropology at Queen's University Belfast is taught in the School of History, Anthropology, Politics and Philosophy. We cover the breadth of social anthropology in teaching and research although we have specialised in ethnomusicology, the study of performance and creativity, boarder and migration, conflict and peacebuilding, religion, cognition and morality, business anthropology and the use of ethnography in engagement for public policy. We encourage our students to study anthropology in interdisciplinary contexts, we share course with our colleagues in history, politics and philosophy and we work within the Senator George J. Mitchell Institute for Global Peace, Security and Justice, the Institute of Cognition and Culture and the Institute of Irish Studies.	Work placement; year abroad; dissertation with fieldwork.
University of Reading	Heritage, material culture, biological anthropology, osteology, prehistory, medieval archaeology, Roman archaeology	Archaeology field school, work placements, study abroad
SOAS University of London	Social Anthropology focusing particularly on the regions of Africa, Asia and the Near and Middle East.	Optional study abroad year for students who wish to apply for all Anthropology courses. Language joint honours combinations have a compulsory language year abroad built in
University of Sussex	Health, human rights, politics, the global economy, International Development and the environment.	Study Abroad available.
University College London	Humanity in all its aspects: from evolution as a species, to relationship with the material world, and our vast variety of social practices and cultural forms.	Free residential field trip in the first year, option of Turkana Basin Field School in the second year, option of year abroad in the third year.
University of Winchester	Art and visual anthropology, cultural heritage and resource management, migration and transnationalism, gender and childhood, human evolution, human osteology and palaeopathology, forensic anthropology, funerary archaeology, conflict and warfare, anthropological archaeology.	Opportunity to study abroad in North America in your second year; opportunities in second and final years for work placements that fit your interests and build employability skills; fieldwork opportunities; archaeological fieldwork experience for students on BA Anthropology and Archaeology.
University of Cambridge (Social Anthropology)	Kinship, Economics, Religion and Politics, Anthropological Theory, Ethnographic Methods and Writing, Development, Media, Post-Socialism, History and Memory, Science and Society, a range of specialist courses focused on different regions of the world.	