Master in

SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

DESCRIPTION

The Master's Program in Social Anthropology has a long tradition. Since 1960 notable anthropologists have passed through its lecture halls, achieving prominence in universities, public sectors and international organisms. It is a sound program articulating theoretical training, field work, teaching and research, and field data analysis in seminars.

CONTEXT AND RELEVANCE

Anthropologists possess the necessary theoretical and methodological background and analytical skills to create and disseminate new knowledge, and to take part in public debates on contemporary societies' major topics and concerns.

In today’s world, forming social anthropologists is a vital and ineluctable responsibility and this is particularly true in societies such as ours: Mexico, since its origins, is multiethnic and multicultural. Over the last decades, its population has moved from mainly rural to mainly urban. Vast sectors of the population, both in the countryside and in the cities, are transforming their livelihoods. New technologies influence in a number of ways the every-day life and productivity of most people. Contemporary changes in Mexico, as in other countries, are quick and profound, with diverse expressions in different local and regional environments, and in different social groups.

Today, more than ever, Mexico needs to rely on highly qualified human resources to:

1. Document, analyze and understand:
   - The country’s ethnic and sociocultural diversity and the challenges and problems it entails.
   - The social, cultural and technological changes that are taking place at local, regional, national and international settings, identifying the challenges and issues they encompass.
   - The multiple solutions and adaptations of local societies and social groups to global dynamics and processes.
   - The multiple and diverse consequences of the globalization process in the daily life and productivity of the different social groups.

2. Generate and disseminate novel knowledge on relevant aspects of current sociocultural reality.
3. Study specific aspects of domestic issues and reality.
5. Conduct top-level research in the field of Social Anthropology at higher education and research centers.
The Master in Social Anthropology is acknowledged by CONACYT’s National Program of Quality Graduate Studies (PNPC) with International Level.

OBJECTIVES

General
The Master’s Degree program aims to train researchers and professors who master the theoretical and conceptual body of the discipline and have a broad experience in field-research which enables them to create new knowledge in the field of Social Anthropology and use it innovatively in the different fields of anthropology.

Specific
1. To further study empirically and conceptually a specific topic and attain a recognized expertise in the subject.
2. To apply anthropological approaches and theoretical concepts to field research in original and novel forms.
3. To pose thought-provoking research questions to advance social anthropology knowledge, in both its ethnocographic and explanatory aspects.
4. To develop original anthropological research.
5. To use their expertise to produce knowledge and novel methodologies designed to solve social problems.

APPLICANTS PROFILE

Candidates are required to have a quality B.A. academic training; students from other disciplines, preferably from social areas, may also apply. Candidates must dedicate full-time to their studies, and demonstrate the necessary interest and abilities to be trained in the field of social anthropology.

GRADUATES PROFILE

The objective of the program is to broaden the student’s knowledge in anthropology and foster different abilities that will enable her/him to develop field-work-based research supported by the proper anthropological theories, methods and techniques. Training focuses on generating analytical capacities for the professional development of the student.

FIELD OF WORK

Graduates possess the necessary tools to continue their professional trajectories in activities related to their training. Current working environments requires management and understanding of social and cultural elements, as well as implementation and/or evaluation of public policies, development projects and marketing studies.
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Lines of Research:
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Relevant Publications:

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Lines of Research:
Change and Continuity in Rural Mexico (coordinator) and Local Expressions of Globality

Relevant Publications:
Afición futbolística y rivalidades en el México contemporáneo: Una mirada nacional, Co-Coord. (México:UAI, 2012); The Village is Like a Wheel: Rethinking Carpa Family and Ethnicity in Highland Mexico (University of Arizona Press, 2012); Tescoco en el nuevo milenio: Cambio y continuidad en una región perturbada del Valle de México, co-Coord. (México: UAI, 2010); Azul y oro como mi corazón: Masculinidad, juventud y poder en una porra de los Pumas de la UNAM (México, UAI, 2008).

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Lines of Research:
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Relevant Publications:

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Relevant Publications:
Los pueblos indígenas de Mexico. 100 preguntas, (México: UNAM, 2004)

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## Lines of Research

1. **Environment and Rural Societies**
   - Agricultural Systems and Indigenous Societies
   - Anthropologic Management of Natural Resources
   - Reserves and Protected Areas
   - Environment and Economy

2. **Change and Continuity in Rural Mexico**
   - Kinship and Family
   - Peasants of the 21st Century
   - Historical Demography
   - Perspective and Multiculturalism

3. **Local Expression of Globality**
   - Culture, Society and Sports
   - Young People and New Urban Identities
   - Transnational Communities and Diaspora
   - Firm and Entrepreneurs Technology and Innovation

4. **Power Networks and Justice Systems**
   - Identity and Citizenship
   - Public Policy and Social Impact
   - Legal Pluralism
   - Globalization of Law
   - Local Production of Global Policy Regimes

## Compulsory Subjects

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## Admission Procedures

Requirements to be fulfilled by graduate candidates are:

- Deliver copy of B.A. degree in Social Anthropology or related discipline (with valid official recognition).
- Deliver copy of academic transcripts (with list of subjects and grades).
- Deliver copy of birth certificate
- Up-dated curriculum vitae, with supporting documents.
- One 2.5X3 cm photograph (black and white or color)
- Statement of purpose to join the program, specifying topic areas of interest. The format is free and must be directed to: Dr. Emiliano Zollá, Postgraduate Coordinator.
- Two letters of academic recommendation (free format), directed to: Dr. Emiliano Zollá Márquez, Graduate Coordinator.
- Copies of published papers (thesis, essays, lectures, articles)
- Draft research project (Maximum 10 pages, Arial 12, 1.5 line spacing).
- Certificate of an English level that enables understanding anthropologic texts written in said language (e.g. TOEFL or a diploma from a recognized institution).
- Fill out the application form provided by the Graduate Coordination.
- Interview with three professors of the program, prior appointment.
- Take the National Graduate Admission Exam (EXANI-III) at Ibero’s campus.
- Fulfill the additional requirements requested by the Admission Committee.
- Be accepted by the Admission Committee and the Technical Social Anthropology Graduate Council, and, if necessary, successfully accredit the preconditions (no cost) assigned as a condition to be formally accepted in the program.

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