

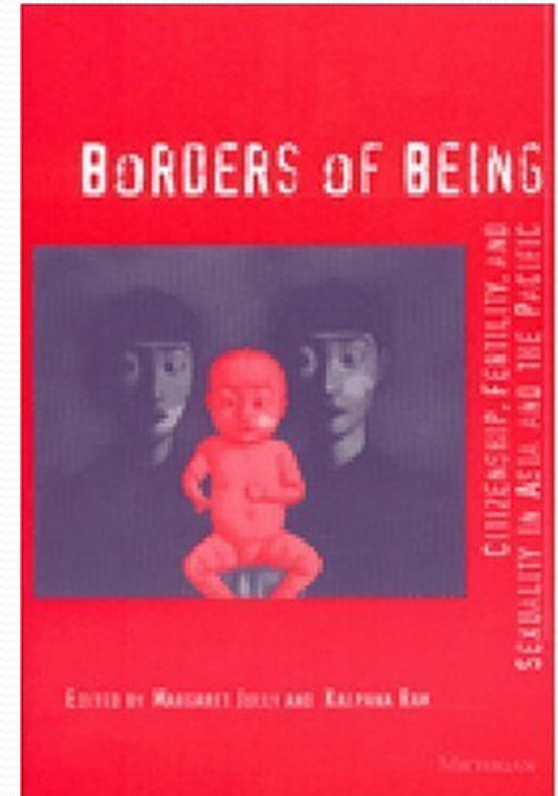
Anthropology of Fertility, Reproduction & Health


Year 3 Option Module
Anthropology

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- The module uses social and cultural perspectives to examine academic and policy work in the area of reproduction, sexuality and health.
- It draws on the insights of medical anthropology, especially in relation to the body, gender and power, to critically reflect on reproduction, sexuality and health issues across the global North and South.





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- Seminars build upon the theoretical perspectives introduced in the first year on kinship, procreation, social reproduction, sexuality, personhood, reproductive technologies, human rights and applied anthropology.
- Contrary to popular belief, reproduction is a process which is as much about men as it is about women, and emerges in the study of, for example, male fertility/infertility, masculinity, fatherhood and male sexual health.

Module topics include:

1. Fertility, Reproduction, Sexuality, Health-anthropological connections
2. Gender and Bio-Politics
3. Cultural Understandings of Childbearing
4. Midwifery, Authoritative Knowledge
5. Maternal and Infant Mortality
6. Politics of Abortion and Contraception
7. Male and Female Infertility and Suffering
8. Reproductive Technologies and Identity
9. Pleasure, Sexual Politics and Health Inequalities
10. Reproductive Health, Citizenship and Rights Activism
11. Migration, Sexuality and Reproduction
12. Presentation of dissertation plans

Assessment

- 7,000 word dissertation in the assessment block