Social Anthropology

Suggestions for pre-course reading

Students admitted to study for postgraduate degrees come from a variety of academic backgrounds and have very diverse needs and orientations. The reading list given below of initial reading suggestions is not mandatory: please use your own good sense in using it, whether you are new to anthropology or already have extensive training and relevant experience. In drawing up this list we have kept in mind not only social anthropology but also the range of more specialist master's degrees taught at ISCA. Many of the suggested readings are relevant to several of these fields.

Basic introductions for those new to anthropology


Important readings on key topics


**Classic field-based studies**

- Geertz, Clifford (1975) *The Interpretation of Cultures*. Hutchinson.

**Some points of reference in related disciplines**