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Anthropology of development and environment

5.00 credits	30.0 h	Q1

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Language :	French					
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve					
Main themes	The main theoretical concerns, controversies and research issues in the field of development anthropology are approached from three thematic angles: 1. Diachronic: "What is development?" or better "what is social change as experienced by non western peoples?" The consequences for the principal institutions of ancestral cultures of assuming, even under their own modernizing steam, development are detailed. 2. Encounters: development and in particular cooperation, opens up these societies to the West. The confrontation of values and visions these encounters entail together with the changes they induce in North/South relations will be analysed - particularly with regards to the institutionalized relations between donors and beneficiaries. 3. Norms: the rapid change undergone by non western societies lead to new form of governance here detailed in the light of new political powers, the nature of the State, the relations between town and coun-try, migratory flows and the hybrid ways people create so as to live together "normally".					
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: improve knowledge and know how relative to the processes and consequences as-sociated with the gradual, generalized adhesion to development or transnational modernity (seen as one culture amongst many). Based on pioneering work by development anthropologists, it affords the key to fathoming the cultural turbulence affecting the majority of non western societies -special emphasis being put on their ability to react, their social strategies and identifying intentionalities. dialogue with these other cultures on a solidly realistic basis thus facilitating further theoretical enquiry or practical commitment to development programmes; incalculated a critical approach to development as culture and its consequences in order to foster more adequate involvement in the field.					
Other infos	A personal work based on readings and a case study based on the student's personal experience and connected with one of the course's topics.					
Faculty or entity in charge	PSAD					

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes		
Advanced Master in Development, Environment and Societies	DVLP2MC	5		٩		
Master [120] in Population and Development Studies	SPED2M	5		٩		
Master [120] in Anthropology	ANTR2M	5		٩		
Master [120] in Environmental Science and Management	ENVI2M	5		٩		
Master [60] in Sociology and Anthropology	SOCA2M1	5		٩		