



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## SYLLABUS DEL CORSO

### Altre Conoscenze - Etnografia

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#### Course title

Laboratory of ethnography

#### Topics and course structure

Students will be directly involved in the activities of the laboratory, analyzing and experiencing the tools, the techniques and the methods of the ethnographic analysis. The laboratory aims to reply to very concrete and practical questions regarding the ethnographic research, namely: what do anthropologists do in their fieldworks? How is an ethnographic research organized? How can we prepare our fieldwork? How and what should we observe? How to organize and manage an interview? What kind of ethical and deontological issues should we consider when approaching the fieldwork? How to select the people to be involved? How to manage the data?

These themes will be introduced through practical exercises, that will help the students to develop an experience with the tools and techniques they want to apply in their research. Exercises will be then discussed in the classroom.

Students have the opportunity to propose a specific topic they want to work on (possibly, the topic of their thesis).

Experienced researchers will present their research experiences to the students, highlighting the practical aspects of their fieldworks.

#### Objectives

The laboratory aims to develop the following skills and abilities:

- ethnographic methods and techniques;

- knowing how to organize and manage the fieldwork, from its preliminary and preparatory phases, to the identification of a case study, to the sampling methods and research questions;
- developing skills on the processes of data analysis and interpretation.

## **Methodologies**

The laboratory focuses on the direct involvement and participation of the students. Research methods and techniques will be briefly introduced and then concretely experimented by the students with exercises, role-playing activities and active researches. Activities will be discussed collectively in the classroom.

## **Online and offline teaching materials**

Specific material will be given to the students when needed

## **Programme and references for attending students**

Specific bibliographic references will be identified and proposed to the students during the lessons.

## **Programme and references for non-attending students**

## **Assessment methods**

4 credits will be recognized to the attending students.

## **Office hours**

On appointment. Please contact [dario.nardini@unimib.it](mailto:dario.nardini@unimib.it)

## **Programme validity**

## **Course tutors and assistants**

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