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Courses:
Undergraduate level:
An Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology
Non-European Cultures
Mediterranean Studies

Graduate level:
Ethnolinguistic Contacts in Croatia and Europe
Ethnography of the Mediterranean
The Making of a Name
Ethnolinguistic seminar

About the Department of Ethnology and Anthropology

The Department of Ethnology and Anthropology was established in 2005 with the goal of enriching the field of humanities that make the foundation of University of Zadar. At the initiative of the University of Zadar, Dunja Brozović Rončević and Jadran Kale made a preliminary undergraduate and graduate program of “Ethnology and Anthropology”. The program was adopted by the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports and the first generation of students enrolled in the 2005 /2006 academic year. In those early years great help was given from other university departments and research centers as well as from the Institute for Ethnology and Folklore Studies. An Internship was established with the help of cultural institutions in the local Zadar area, foremost with the assistance of the Ethnological Department of National Museum Zadar.

About the program

The undergraduate program emphasizes the role of anthropology in understanding contemporary cultural issues and introduces students to the basic theoretical and practical questions of the profession. Special attention is given to the development of student’s critical thinking about their own culture and society as well as about other cultures. While the primary foci of the program are Croatian and Mediterranean cultural circles, other non-European cultures are also of interest for future department development. Students are expected to familiarize themselves with basic anthropological concepts like culture, society, religion, ritual, language, family and methodology appropriate for research.

The graduate program deepens theoretical and professional knowledge about interculturality, ritual, language, identity, cultural heritage and other anthropological themes. It develops knowledge that is necessary for a deeper understanding and questioning of global power relations, migrations and identity construction as well as their representations in frames of different discursive strategies.
International cooperation

The department of Ethnology and Anthropology has established partnerships with a number of European universities and facilitates the mobility of academic staff and students with partner institutions. Foreign mobility of academic staff and guest lecturers from EU countries and the USA are made possible through Erasmus programs and bilateral agreements with a number of European and non-European universities.

The department has Erasmus plus agreements with following universities:

- University Karl-Franzens, Graz, Austria
- University Ca’ Foscari, Venice, Italy
- University Masaryk, Brno, Czech Republic
- University Macedonia, Skopje, FYRM
- University Cork, Cork, Ireland
- University Ruprecht-Karls, Heidelberg, Germany
- University Komenski, Bratislava, Slovakia
- University West Scotland, Scotland
- University of Ljubljana, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Bulgarian Academy of Science, Sofia, Bulgaria

Last year through Erasmus mobility programs the Department hosted lectures from Associate professor PhD Petko Hristov (Bulgarian Academy of Science), PhD Jožica Škofić (Slovenian Academy of Science and Art), PhD Andrej Mentel (Departement of Social Anthropology, University Komensky, Bratislava) and Michael Moncrieff (UNLV, USA).

Through the Fulbright scholarship program we were hosts to Michael McDonald (2011./2012., Florida Gulf Coast University, USA), Gregory Zaro (2012./2013., Maine University, USA), Brannon Andersen (2014./2015., Furman University, USA).

Field of interest:

Theory of science, anthropological and theological theories, philosophical ethnography, ritual studies, performance

Courses:

Undergraduate level:
- Anthropological Concepts
- Anthropology of Religion
- Experiment, Imagination, Writing
- Asia in the Global Context

Graduate level:
- Theorizing Rituals
- Interculturality in Contemporary Theory
- Anthropological Turns
Scientific research

The department’s academic staff is currently involved in a number of research and expert projects. They have been project leaders and associates at a number of projects for the Ministry of Science, Education and Sports since 2005. Their research interests are also maintained through a great number of individual research efforts and national and international publishing activities.

Current projects:

The international projects General Slavic Linguistic Atlas (Općeslavenski lingvistički atlas, OLA) and European Linguistic Atlas (Europski lingvitički atlas, ALE) are projects by the Croatian Academy of Science and Arts and are financed by the Croatian Science Foundation. Leaders of the project are academician Ranko Matasović, and associate professor Dunja Brozović Rončević, who is deputy to the European linguistic atlas (Atlas Linguarum Europae). The project is part of a linguistic geography and all European countries are participants. Link: http://ola-ale.hazu.hr/

Through the Project for development of young researcher’s careers - education of new PhDs, Ivana Štokov was employed as a research assistant on the ELO with the main areas of the project being ethnological cartography and work on ethnolinguistic atlas.

Associate professor Dunja Brozović Rončević is also a collaborator on the project, Documentation and Interpretation of Oldest Periods of the Croatian language (DOCINEC) that is lead by PhD Amir Kapetanović through the Institute for Croatian language and linguistics. The project is financed by the Croatian Science Foundation.

The department also leads a program of the Ministry of Culture by the name Mirila of Zadar County: nonmaterial cultural heritage that is lead by assistant professor Mario Katić. The program is made possible by the Heritage Museum Benkovac, the Heritage Museum Obrovac, and the Conservation Department of the Ministry of Culture in Zadar. The goal of the project is to record localities of Mirila in Zadar County.
Field research

Our academic staff regularly organizes a number of field researches throughout the Adriatic area, mostly in the Croatian islands and Dalmatian hinterland, but also in the urban and rural localities of neighborhood Bosnia and Herzegovina. Field research has also been conducted in FYR Macedonia and India.

Rab, 2014. Welcome of the first landing of hydroplane Toponomastic and ethnolinguistic research in association with Centre for Adriatic Onomastic Research University of Zadar.


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Field of interest:

Pilgrimage, lore, death, memory, place, space and landscape

Courses:

Undergraduate level:
Introduction to Folklore Studies
Methodology of ethnographic research
Pilgrimage and holly places
Slavic mythology
Traineeship

Diplomska razina:
Praxis and Field Research
Conferences

The Department of Ethnology and Anthropology organizes and hosts, in association with other universities and scientific institutions and alone, a number of international conferences, symposiums, round tables and other events. Here we highlight some of them.

**Body and Awareness: The Discourse between Anthropology, Literature and the Arts**, international conference organized by the Department of Ethnology and Anthropology, University of Zadar, and University of Cork, Ireland. Because of its multidisciplinary approach, the conference has gathered experts from different disciplines with a purpose to rethink concepts of body, awareness and embodiment making specific discursive formations through the interaction of social sciences and humanities and different forms of artistic expression.

**Displaced Tibet**, international conference organized by the Department of Ethnology and Anthropology, University of Zadar. The conference was focused on the Tibetan Diaspora in Indian state Himachal Pradesh, problems of Tibetan government in exile, and problems of Tibetan culture caused by its displacement.

**History as a Foreign Country: Historical Imagery in South-Eastern Europe**, international conference organized by the Department of Ethnology and Anthropology, University of Zadar, Department of Croatian studies, University of Zagreb and the “Alexander von Humboldt” Foundation.
Pilgrimage and Sacred Places in Eastern Europe: Place, Politics and Religious Tourism, international conference organized by the Department of Ethnology and Anthropology, University of Zadar, University of Klagenfurt, University of Kent, University of London, University of Zagreb, and University of Split.

Movements, Narratives and Landscapes, international interdisciplinary conference organized by the University of Zadar, Center for scientific research Slovenian academy of science and arts, University of Roehampton in London and Maine University.

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Field of interest:
Visual anthropology, ethnomedicine, ethnographic film

Courses:
Undergraduate level:
Introduction to ethnology and cultural anthropology
Anthropology of art and visual culture
Ethnomedicine
Field teaching

Fieldwork is an essential part of our teaching plan and program. It includes getting to know the localities in the vicinity of Zadar, Zadar hinterland and islands mainly, but also other parts of Croatia and international localities when opportunities arise.

Fieldwork was done in 2015 at island of Mljet, in Lika, on island of Iž, in Benkovac, Turopolje and Srimi.

Fieldwork on island of Mljet, 26. – 30. 4. 2015.

Fieldwork in Lika, 27. 3. 2015.
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Field of interest:
Musical history of Zadar, musical archives, management of musical heritage, Klapa singing

Courses:
Undergraduate level:
Ethnomusicology
Anthropology of dance,
Traditional Klapa singing

Fieldwork on island of Iž, 22. 5. 2015.
Ethnological collection, Veli Iž

Fieldwork in Zagreb – Vellka Gorica, 24. 4. 2015.
Estate of family Dijanežević

Fieldwork in Benkovac, 10. 4. 2015.
Asseria
Optional field research was conducted in recent years in Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, India and FYR Macedonia.

Field research on the project Displaced Tibet was conducted in September and October 2010. In the transhimalain village Nadi, in close proximity of McLeod Ganja, where since 1959 lives the Dalaj Lama and Tibetan people in exile.
**Student ethnography**

Student field research results are published in edition of **Studentska etnografija** (Student ethnography) which is co-financed by the Student council of the University of Zadar.


**RECTOR’S REWARD**

** GIVEN TO STUDENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ETHNOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY**

Iv Brzoja 2009.
Marčela Guina 2010.
Tereza Kaurinović 2011.
Ivana Štokov (Gmižić ) 2015.

**DEPARTMENT REWARD**

„OLGA OŠTRIĆ”
Mirjam Križić 2009.
Tereza Kaurinović 2013.
Marin Borzić 2013.
Student projects

Students of ethnology and anthropology are regularly involved in the organization and realization of a number of projects that are financed by the Student Council of the University of Zadar and the Department. A lot of MA theses of our students are a result of project organized fieldwork.

Systematic fieldworks, on which students can participate according to their interests, have been conducted for years on localities in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Field research was conducted in Ravne Brčko, in Novi Travnik, in Usora and Vareš.

Student urban ethnography – Novi Travnik

Ethnological field research of Croats in Novi Travnik was conducted in 2012 and 2013. It focused on the recent history of the city, the socio-cultural state and everyday life of young people in Novi Travnik.

Contemporary contexts of traditional culture of Croats from Vareš

The main goal of the project was ethnological research of elements of traditional culture of Croats from Vareš and the ways it changed, adapted, and was used in contemporary context. The proposed project was divided into a number of phases and is currently ongoing. The results should be published in a book.
Our students regularly participate in the conference **Border Crossing Network**. The department first hosted the conference in 2010. The network is an association of students throughout South-East Europe with a common goal to promote cooperation between students, scientists and institutions in the field of social and cultural anthropology, folk studies, Balkan studies and history.

**Via Egnatia** – 475 km long walking route from Durrës on the Adriatic coast of Albania through FYR Macedonia to Thessaloniki in Greece.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Student organization „DEKA“

DEKA is an organization that gathers students of ethnology and anthropology with the purpose of promoting scientific and professional values of ethnology and anthropology and the organization and realization of student projects.

ANTROPOP

The organization was founded after the first conference on the topic of professional and employment opportunities for ethnologists and anthropologists. The organization has successfully organized two student film festivals about ethnographic film.

Students

Ideš dalje! (Going forward!)

As a special and important part of professional gatherings of ethnologists and anthropologists, the Croatian Ethnological Society started in 2012 a biennial professional convention of young ethnologists and anthropologists Ideš dalje! Young colleagues that recently graduated can present their thesis and past work at the gathering and get to know other colleagues from the University of Zadar and University of Zagreb.

Student ethnographic film festival (SEF)

The student ethnographic film festival is organized with the purpose of educating students and other interested people in ethnographic film and to popularize this special form of ethnographic research. The festival is organized by students and alumni of the Department of Ethnology and Anthropology gathered around the organization of ANTROPOP.
Student mobility

Through the mobility programs students of ethnology and anthropology have an opportunity to study at a number of international universities. The department is also a host to countless foreign students for whom we organize courses in the English language.

Erasmus mobility is an excellent opportunity for travel in different countries, getting to know a new culture, questioning your own culture, meeting new friends, get to know a different ways of teaching, hear new professors and think about new topics and subjects. It is an opportunity to live a kind of new life experience that can enrich us on many levels. All it takes is a little effort to collect the necessary documents. The gain is great and I would recommend everyone to try and apply because you have nothing to lose.

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List of courses:

**Undergraduate level:**
- Anthropological Concepts
- Introduction to Ethnology and Cultural Anthropology
- Croatian Ethnography
- Methodology of Ethnographic Research
- Introduction to Folklore Studies
- Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology
- History of Croatian Ethnology
- Slavic Mythology
- Ethnography of South-East Europe
- Folk Costumes and Culture Clothing
- Pilgrimage and Sacred Places
- Ethnomedicine
- Ethnomusicology
- Non-European Cultures
- Mediterranean Studies
- Cultural Landscapes
- Anthropology of Dance
- Anthropology of Religion
- Anthropology of Family and Kinship
- Experiment, Imagination, Writing
- Anthropology of Art and Visual Culture
- Physical and Forensical Anthropology
- Ethnology and Tourism
- Traineeship

**Graduate level:**
- Theorizing Rituals
- Ethnolinguistic Contacts in Croatia and Europe
- Ethnography of Mediterranean Interculturality on Contemporary Theory
- The Making of a Heritage
- The Making of a Name
- Philosophical Anthropology and Ethics
- Ethnoliguistic Seminar
- Practicum in Ethnological Research and Presentation
- Political Anthropology and Contemporary Integration Process
- Asia in Global Context
- Ethnology and Tourism
- Anthropological Turns
- Traineeship and Field Research