

# Anthropology Optional Foundation 2025



Start Date

25

APRIL 2024

Batch - 1



Available in Online/Offline & Hybrid mode.

ORIENTATION

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## Top Rankers from ForumIAS Academy



**Ishita Kishore** | CSE 2022



**Shruti Sharma** | CSE 2021



**Anudeep Durishetty** | CSE 2017



**Uma Harathi** | CSE 2022



**Garima Lohia** | CSE 2022



**Smriti Mishra** | CSE 2022



**Mayur Hazarika** | CSE 2022



**Parikshit Thoudam** | CSE 2020



**Ayushi Jain** | CSE 2019



**Narayan Amit** | CSE 2021



**Gaurav Budania** | CSE 2020



**Uma Harathi** | CSE 2022



**Mayur Hazarika** | CSE 2022



**Dwij Goel** | CSE 2022

## Top Rankers from ForumIAS Academy in Anthropology Optional

# Your Pathway to Preparedness: Equipped for success.

"Welcome to the vibrant world of Anthropology!"

The **Anthropology Foundation Program** at **ForumIAS** offers a dynamic and structured approach to mastering the lively and stimulating field of Anthropology, in tune with the rigorous demands of the UPSC CSE syllabus.

As you embark on your journey towards achieving success in one of the most competitive exams in the world, our classroom program serves as your guiding light, providing you with the necessary tools, resources, and support to navigate through the complexities of Anthropology with confidence and clarity.

Led by experienced faculty members who are experts in Anthropology and well-versed with the intricacies of the UPSC CSE exam pattern, our classroom sessions are carefully curated to cover all aspects of the Anthropology syllabus.

Through engaging lectures, interactive discussions, meticulous engagement with PYQs and practical exercises, we delve deep into the core concepts, theories, and thinkers of Anthropology, ensuring a thorough understanding and retention of key topics.

## Our Faculty

### Priya Kandola

**She has mentoring civil services aspirants since 6 years. She holds a degree in Biotechnology and has also been associated with CSIR-IGIB in Tuberculosis research.**

**“Priya Mam views Anthropology as always at play all around us at all times. Instead of memorising the concepts, students should focus more on imbibing them and applying them”.**

# Classroom: Where Learning Flourishes

- 250+ hours of classes.
- One class daily, 5 classes in a week.
- We'll simplify complex terms and concepts with clear explanations, making even the toughest ideas easy for every student to understand and remember.
- The program will cover the full UPSC CSE Anthropology syllabus, Papers I and II, with detailed discussions on core concepts, thinkers, theories, and case studies.
- Our experienced faculty will use multimedia resources like videos, documentaries, and podcasts to enhance lectures, simplify readings, and offer additional insights pertaining to the core requirements of the competitive exam.
- Personalized feedback and support to students, addressing their specific learning needs and ensuring customized necessary interventions to help them develop their scoring potential.
- Incorporate current affairs and relevant social issues into the Anthropology curriculum to enhance students' understanding and application of Anthropological concepts in real-life contexts.
- The students will be provided excellent and comprehensive lecture notes along with references to additional credible study material (textbooks and online resources) to offer them an edge over others and also encourage self-study.

## **Edward Burnett Tylor (1832-1917)**

**He was an English anthropologist, often hailed as the father of cultural anthropology.**

**His notable work "Primitive Culture" (1871), introduced the theory of cultural evolution and emphasized the concept of animism.**

# Handouts: Your hand held Guide to success

Certainly! Handouts in a Anthropology class for UPSC CSE preparation should aim to provide concise and comprehensive summaries of key concepts, theories, and thinkers relevant to the exam.

## **Some of the core features of our handouts that you just cannot afford to miss:**

- Content fully aligned with classroom lecture to make sure students and the faculty remain on the same page.
- Excellent summarizing of an array of key Anthropological concepts like society, culture and evolution with definitions and significance.
- Sharp pointers for captivating introductions and perfect conclusions.
- Use of visual aids like diagrams and flowcharts to offer a more captivating account of complex ideas.
- Case studies and/or examples from everyday life to illustrate real-life applications of sociological concepts.
- Reader-friendly and to the point summaries to help students in retention.
- Study guides outlining class topics to prepare for exams and assignments.

## **Bronisław Malinowski (1884-1942)**

**He was a pioneering Polish-British anthropologist renowned for his innovative contributions to ethnography and participant observation.**

**His methods laid the groundwork for modern ethnographic practices. His key concept was the notion of " participant observation"**

# Regular Assessment : Tracking Progress, Shaping Futures

For students preparing for the UPSC Civil Services Examination (CSE) in Anthropology, regular assessment plays a crucial role in their preparation. In the Anthropology foundation program offered at ForumIAS, following is of crucial significance with regards to assessment:

- Conduct of mock tests mirroring the UPSC CSE format to help students work out the challenge of time management and work out essential exam strategies.
- Assigning of case studies for anthropological analysis, enhancing students' analytical skills and pushing them towards real-world application of concepts.
- Assessments designed fully in sync with UPSC patterns, including various question formats, to boost students' confidence vis-à-vis the exam.
- Constructive feedback on assessments, emphasizing strengths and areas for improvement.
- Regular revision sessions to reinforce key Anthropology concepts and clarify doubts before exams.

## **Alfred Radcliffe-Brown(1881-1955)**

**He was a notable British social anthropologist, renowned for his structural-functional approach in anthropology, which greatly influenced the field during the early to mid-20th century.**

**His key concept was the notion of “social structure.”**

# Nurturing Potential, Guiding Success: Your Journey with a mentor

It is beyond doubt that regular and customized mentorship greatly benefits students preparing for the UPSC Civil Services Examination (CSE). The Anthropology foundation program at ForumIAS comprises regular mentorship that provides guidance, support, and personalized advice tailored to individual needs of students. Some of the important features of the mentorship program are:

- Based on students' individual needs and goals, personalized mentoring sessions to be offered to assist students in charting their own study plans and tracking their progress.
- Helping students develop comprehensive study plans covering all anthropology topics, prioritizing as per the UPSC pattern and trends, scheduling revision, and identifying resources for content improvement.
- Motivational support to keep students focused and positive throughout their preparation.
- Regular feedback on mock tests and assessments, suggesting preparation-related strategies and additional resources for improvement.
- Maintaining open communication channels for students to reach mentors for guidance and support via various mediums.

## **Clifford Geertz (1926-2006)**

**He was a celebrated American anthropologist known for his impactful contributions to symbolic and interpretive anthropology.**

**Geertz is best known for his concept of “thick description.”**

# FEE STRUCTURE

Course	Total Fees
Anthropology Offline Foundation 2025	₹ 47,200/-
Anthropology Online Foundation 2025	₹ 49,200/-
Anthropology Hybrid Foundation 2025	₹ 52,200/-

## Fee Concession:

- **At ForumIAS, we value consistency and discipline. For students who have the discipline and consistency to commit to attend our Optional Foundation Program offline classes exclusively, we will bear a part of course fee of them. Consequently, the Optional Foundation classes have the lowest fee among all variants.**
- Old/ Existing Students of GS Foundation Program avail fee concession of 15% on Anthropology Optional Foundation 2025.
- Old/Existing ForumIAS students of Anthropology Optional Foundation can avail a fee concession of 15% on Anthropology Optional Foundation 2025.
- Students of all the programs can avail fee concession of 10% on Anthropology Optional Foundation 2025.

**Note:** All the above concessions can be availed by sending an email on [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto:admissions@forumias.academy).



## HOW TO ENROLL?

Students can enroll in the program by paying the fees through the below mentioned means:

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- By Visiting the Offline Center (Credit Card / Debit Card / Cheque / DD)
- By doing a NEFT / Cash Deposit in ICICI account.

Please note that you must retain the payment proof in case of Cash deposit / NEFT and send it to [admissions@forumias.academy](mailto:admissions@forumias.academy) within 48 hours of making the payment for your course to be activated. While sharing screenshot do share your ForumIAS roll no. along with course paid for.

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### TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Students enrolled in any course of ForumIAS must get a physical ID card for availing services in the offline mode. A nominal fee of Rs. 30 will be payable for the same.
- The program is non-refundable and non-transferable.
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- This program will be valid till Mains 2025.
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