

Anthropology Optional Foundation 2026

Start Date

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JULY 2025 | 2 PM - 4:30 PM

Batch - 1

Available in Online/Offline & Hybrid mode.



First 3 Classes

Open to All

Orientation

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JULY 2025 | 5PM

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Top Rankers from ForumIAS Academy in Anthropology Optional



Kanisk | CSE 2024



Ayushi Pradhan | CSE 2023



Anusha Pillai | CSE 2023



Devesh Chaturvedi | CSE 2023



Tanu Jat | CSE 2023



Uma Harathi | CSE 2022



Mayur Hazarika | CSE 2022



Dwij Goel | CSE 2022



Narayan Amit | CSE 2021



Parikshit Thoudam | CSE 2020



Gaurav Budania | CSE 2020



Ayushi Jain | CSE 2019

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 7 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

- Timely Completion of Syllabus (4.5-5 months).
- One class daily. 5 classes in a week.
- Deconstruction of complex concepts.
- Focus on inter - linking case studies, Current Affairs & conceptual framework.
- Use of ethnographic snippets to simplify learning.
- Personalized feedback & Mentorship support and support to students, addressing their specific learning needs.
- 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 with detailed class 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.
- Daily Assignments (for PYQ revision)

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.
- 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.

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 Sectional + full length tests to ensure revision mirroring the UPSC CSE format to help students work out the challenge of time management and work out essential exam strategies.
- Daily assignments (for PYQ Practice).
- 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.
- Test series will also include 6-8 tests post Prelims.

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.”

FEE STRUCTURE

Variant	Online Only	Offline Only
Anthropology Foundation 2026 Classes Only	₹ 32,000/-	₹ 38,000/-
Anthropology Foundation 2026 Classes + Test Series	₹ 42,000/-	₹ 48,000/-

* In case of hybrid mode, fees will be INR 4,000/- over & above the fees for offline mode

Fee Concession:

- Old/Existing Students of GS Foundation Program can get the course at INR 29,500/- (Online mode) and for INR 34,500/- (Offline mode). The fees is for Foundation classes only and not Test series. The fees shown above is inclusive of taxes.
- Old/Existing ForumIAS students of Anthropology Optional Foundation can avail a fee concession of 15% on Anthropology Optional Foundation 2026.
- Students of all the programs can avail fee concession of 10% on Anthropology Optional Foundation 2026.

Note: All the above concessions can be availed by sending an email on admissions@forumias.academy.

HOW TO ENROLL?

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

Visit website:

<https://academy.forumias.com>



- Net Banking • Debit Card • Credit Card • UPI
- 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 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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- The program is valid till August 2026/ Mains 2026.
- 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.
- All fees once paid are non-refundable in nature. The course is also non-transferable in nature to another person. By subscribing to the course, you agree to the terms and conditions mentioned above.
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