

INTRODUCTION TO FIELDWORK: ANTHROPOLOGY

Assessment Details

Reflexive Journal (50%, 2000 words). Due 3pm, 27th March via turnitin

The reflexive journal should be started early in the module, and added to as you plan your research and undertake fieldwork. The final report should not, however, take the form of a diary but rather be a coherent account of your experiences, in which you evaluate your own subject position, assumptions, and the limitations and advantages of your approach. It is important that you do not just describe your emotions and experiences, but evaluate how they may have informed the way you have understood the people you met in the field, their practices and their beliefs, as well as how they have shaped both data you have collected and the way you have interpreted it.

You should include background reading – both topical and methodological – as evidence of your research into your project and wider avenues of thought. Ensure this is correctly referenced. An example of an excellent reflexive journal will be posted on Moodle.

Research Report (50%, 2000 words). Due 3pm, 12th May via turnitin

The findings of your research should be written up as a report, taking the form of a mini-ethnography. In other words, you will use this as an opportunity to write up what you have learnt in the way that mirrors that of professional anthropologists. As this is the first time you have written your own ethnography, **you will be required to submit a mini-proposal by 3pm, Friday 21st February (via email to Emma-Jayne, e.abbots@tsd.ac.uk and Penny p.dransart@tsd.ac.uk)**. This only needs to be one A4 page and should include:

- The title of your project
- The aims and objectives of your project (your research question)
- A discussion of how you chose this topic and why you think it is relevant to Skanda Vale.
- A consideration of the data you intend to collect and the methods you will be using.
- A summary of your research methods (who you need to speak to and why)
- An overview of any ethical or other concerns you have
- A brief bibliography of the relevant topical literature

This mini-proposal is not assessed, but is a requirement of the module.