

HUMAN DIVERSITY



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Overview

Globalization makes us all aware of how closely we are connected to the actions of people who are far distant from us. Human migration, social media, and economic liberalization simultaneously reshape local environments, bringing the seemingly 'distant' into close proximity.

Given these developments, how can individuals and communities devise ways to share resources and negotiate conflicts without succumbing to fear, xenophobia, racism, or violence? How can we understand the roots and grapple with the consequences of a wide variety of human differences - be they defined by race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, age, income, ability, language, religion, nationality, or any number of other factors? These are the big questions you will take on in the Human Diversity major

Major Tracks:

- > Global and Contemporary History
- > Culture in Society
- > Social and Political Thought

Combined Tracks:

- > Languages
- > Gender Studies

What to question?

In the Human Diversity major, we tackle a range of pressing questions:

- > What are the roots of **global inequalities**? How have the experiences of slavery, nationalism, imperialism, industrialization, secularization, and democratization shaped human lives?
- > How can we understand and explain diversity found in the human condition around the world? What is perceived as '**culture**,' and where does this idea come from? And how does human diversity manifest itself in varied forms of human expression?
- > "**How can we live together?**" How have serious thinkers—ranging from Plato to Max Weber to contemporary social theorists—analyzed and proposed solutions to enduring conflicts related to the challenge of living amidst difference?

The Hague, known worldwide as the International City of Peace and Justice, is the perfect backdrop for the Human Diversity major. Here you find embassies representing nations from all over the world. Frequent festivals celebrate the cultural traditions of a wide variety of immigrant groups. And in cafés, shops, and on street corners you are guaranteed to catch snippets of conversations in dozens of different languages.



What are LUC graduates doing?

- > History
- > Journalism
- > Religious Studies
- > Gender Studies
- > Migration & Ethnic Studies
- > Anthropology
- > Sociology
- > Philosophy

Human Diversity graduates are prepared for a wide range of career paths. Either in government and civil society organizations, in creative and knowledge industries, and in education, consultancies, or think-tanks. Anywhere, in fact, where employers are enthusiastic about critically trained, independent thinkers and communicators. With the knowledge and skills developed here, you can truly live out the LUC motto of 'Building Knowledge for a Better World'

For more information about the programme structure, take a look at the [e-prospectus](#)