

Guidelines for membership in the Work Group “Medical Anthropology” of the German Anthropological Association (Deutsche Gesellschaft für Sozial- und Kulturanthropologie e.V.)

1. Every person or institution with an interest in the concerns of the Work Group “Medical Anthropology” can become a member.

The statute of the German Anthropological Association (DGSKA) states in § 5 on "Full Members", first paragraph, that full members have to qualify as fully-fledged anthropologists. In § 1 on "Name and Task of the Society", first paragraph, however, it says that it is an "association of anthropologists and of people interested in anthropology". Since in § 12 on "Work Groups", more precise regulations do not exist any person interested in the Work Group “Medical Anthropology” may become a member.

2. The chairs of the Work Group “Medical Anthropology” and their representatives must be full members of the DGSKA. They honor the obligations to the DGSKA in accordance with § 11 and § 12 of the DGSKA statute. In addition, they are responsible for future-oriented planning and conceptualization as well as for the representation of the Work Group with regard to third parties. They administer the finances of the Work Group.

The German Anthropological Association (DGSKA) is the professional association of anthropologists.

3. Within the Work Group there is the possibility of either an active or a supporting membership. The minimum yearly contribution amounts to 20 euros, for students to 10 euros.

a) Active membership implies regular contributions to the thematic and organizational work of the Work Group “Medical Anthropology”. This includes participation in the conceptualization and realization of projects and events of the Work Group.

b) Promoting membership means supporting the Work Group ideologically and financially. Promoting members have the right to free access to working papers of workshops and other events of the Work Group.

c) Internal committee. The active members form the inner committee of the Work Group. They elect the chairs and their representatives for a two-year term. One year active membership as well as regular payments of the member fee entitles members to participate in the election. The committee decides about propositions for becoming an active member of the Work Group.

4. Should members of the Work Group not fulfill the responsibilities outlined here or act against the interests of the Work Group, their membership can be cancelled at the request of the internal committee.

5. For all other matters the statute of the German Anthropological Association (DGSKA) applies for the Work Group “Medical Anthropology”.