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Social Anthropology
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Politics of Care in Gendered Fields

Researching Welfare and Power in Africa and beyond

The provision of care for children, sick people, the elderly, and other vulnerable groups links various societal spheres, since it is embedded in realms of kinship, community, economy, religion and bureaucratic institutions. The question of how to care therefore relates the state and its citizens in manifold modalities that range from partnership, cooperation, substitution to tension and conflict. In this guided field research, students will explore how care arrangements are negotiated, acted out, and altered between individuals, families, communities, (religious and state) institutions, how intersectional positioning informs the provision and receipt of care, and how changing family patterns and gender roles influence practices of, and discourses around care. Students will work in an intellectually stimulating research environment together with other Masters-level students and advanced scholars from Germany, Ghana, and Benin. (Image: Francis Kokoroko — @accrphoto)

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