

APHALUCK BHATIASEVI

ANTHROPOLOGIST

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ACADEMIC INTERESTS

Medical anthropology

Hospital ethnography

Global health

Human non-human relations

One health

Health justice

EDUCATION

2019 - 2024

Medical Anthropology, University of
Edinburgh, UK

2016-2018

Master of Arts, Social Anthropology,
Geneva Graduate Institute, Switzerland

2001-2002

Master of Arts, Development Studies
University of Leeds, UK

1988-1991

Bachelor of Arts in Economics
Sophia College, University of Bombay,
India

LANGUAGES

Thai - Mother tongue

English - Proficient

French - Basic

Hindi - Basic

Nepali - Basic

PROFILE

Aphaluck Bhatiasavi is a lecturer in medical and social anthropology with extensive experience in risk communication and community engagement for humanitarian response.

Her research focuses on the anthropology of melioidosis, an infectious disease which is largely neglected despite predominantly impacting rice farming communities in tropical climatic areas.

She has worked on applied social science research, risk communication and community engagement for infectious disease outbreaks and health emergencies with the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in several countries in Asia, Africa and in WHO headquarters in Switzerland.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Thammasat University

- **July 2025 - present**
Lecturer, Faculty of Sociology and Anthropology

University of Amsterdam

- **June-July 2021, 2022**
Co-director and lecturer, 'Epidemics and social science: a holistic approach' summer course

University of Edinburgh

- **2020**
Tutor for undergraduate and master's degree students on courses in medical and social Anthropology

World Health Organization

- **2018-2019**
Team lead, Social Science Interventions WHO Geneva
- **2016-2018**
Technical officer, Social Science Interventions, WHO Geneva
- **2009-2015**
Technical office, risk communication and community engagement, WHO Geneva
- **2006**
Media coordinator (short-term consultancy), WHO China
- **2005**
Communication Officer, WHO Southeast Asia Regional Office, New Delhi
- **2004**
Communication and Advocacy Officer, WHO Thailand

Food and Agriculture Organization

- **2006-2009**
International consultant, Emergency Centre for Transboundary Animal Diseases, FAO Vietnam
- **2006**
International consultant (short-term consultancy), Emergency Centre for Transboundary Animal Diseases, FAO Indonesia

Bangkok Post Newspaper

- **1991-2004**
News reporter on politics, public health and social issues