

*THE STUDY OF RELIGION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND
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Abstract: The authors of this article analyze the trajectory and the contemporary moment of a group of professors and researchers in Anthropology of Religion at the Department of Social Anthropology at Free University of Amsterdam. They elaborate a brief history of the constitution of the group in second half of the Century in the decades of 1960 and 1970, the field research were developed in different localities in the world, with theoretical marks also different. Nowadays there is an articulation of the researches of the professors and Ph.D. students in two big programs. The first: "Between secularization and sacralization", includes researches on the Dutch religious field from a qualitative methodological grade. The second: "Careers of conversion and politics of culture", is dedicated on the study of the expansion of charismatic and pentecostal Christianity in Holland and over the globe.

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