

## What topics have been prominent in this STS formation in different periods?

The relationship between human and nonhuman beings has been investigated in anthropological studies on magical-religious practices such as animism, shamanism, and spirit possession. Studies of gift-exchange and personhood have also elaborated important arguments about the unfolding of encounters and interactions between people and others, including nonhuman beings. Moreover, as seen in arguments on the 'ontological turn', anthropological studies of unique relations between humans and nature, and of gift-exchange and personhood, have been invigorated through connections to studies on human-nonhuman relations in related fields, including STS. Recent works of anthropology and STS have influenced each other and have widened the range of studies on human-nonhuman relations, networks, and social beings.

## Human-Nonhuman Relations Anthropologies of Science and Technology in Japan



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