



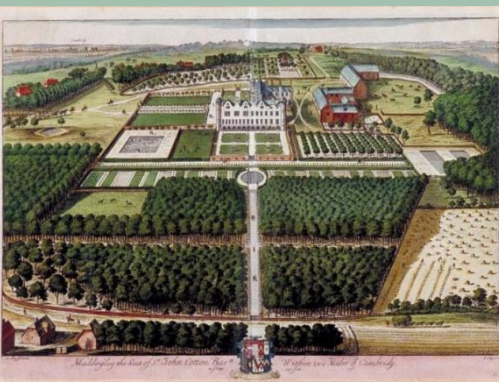
# MSt in History

*Open afternoon, 1 November 2019*

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# Year 1: four residential modules



## YEAR 1

**Module 1:** Theory, concepts and historiography

29 September – 2 October 2020: 4 days

**Module 2:** British local and regional history *or* Global history

2 – 4 December 2020: 3 days

**Module 3:** Sources, methods and research skills

17 – 19 February 2021: 3 days

**Module 4:** British local and regional history *or* Global history

19- 21 May 2021: 3 days

## YEAR 2

**Saturday Day Schools:**

23 October 2021

15 January 2022

20 April 2022

**All students are taught together for modules 1 and 3**

**Module 1: Theory, concepts and historiography**

Induction day: an introduction to the course and tours of the University and Seeley History libraries.

Topics might include the Annales School, international history, gender, feudalism, race, class and social status, nations and states, religion.

**Module 3: Sources, methods and research skills**

Topics might include using library resources and archives, the census, microhistory, sources for early modern history, IT for historians practical, quantitative history, oral history, anthropology and history.

**Modules 2 and 4** are thematic pathways:

British local and regional history *or* Global history

Research for the dissertation must sit within one of these pathways.

## Sample timetables from a previous cohort:

### Module 1: Theory, concepts and historiography

2018	Monday 24 September		Tuesday 25 September	Wednesday 26 September	Thursday 27 September
		9.30am	Gender Dr Samantha Williams	The Annales School Dr David Smith	Cultural history and visual sources Dr Tom Simpson
		11.00am	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
11.00am	<i>Registration</i>	11.30am	Race Dr Samantha Williams	Dr Mary Brazelton Histories of science	Global Christianity Professor David Maxwell
11.30pm	Introduction to the course Dr Samantha Williams	1.00pm	<i>Matriculation Lunch at your respective College</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Class photograph and lunch</i>
12.45pm	<i>Lunch</i>	2.00pm		Feudalism Dr Chris Briggs	Essay workshop for module 1 essay titles Dr Samantha Williams
2pm -3pm	Tour of the University Library	3.30pm		<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Depart</i>
3.15- 4.00pm	Visit to the Seeley History Library	4.00pm	Nations and Nationalism Dr Andrew Thompson	Comparative Histories Dr Renaud Morieux	
4.30pm	Cambridge Colleges Dr David Smith at Selwyn College (Tower Room)	5.30pm	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Private study time</i>	
7:30pm	<i>Dinner</i>	7:30pm	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	



## Sample timetables from a previous cohort:

### Module 2: 'British local and regional history', Dr Samantha Williams and others

2018	Wednesday 28 November	Thursday 29 November	Friday 30 November
9.30am		The parish Dr Heather Falvey	Urban history Dr Samantha Williams
11.00am	<i>Arrival</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
11.30am	Approaches to local history Dr Samantha Williams	Early modern culture Dr Heather Falvey	Consumption Dr Ken Sneath
1.00pm	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
2.00pm	Tour of medieval Cambridge Dr Jo Sear	Family and household Dr Samantha Williams	Quantitative History Dr Amy Erickson
3.30pm	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
4.00pm	Manors Dr Jo Sear	Religion and belief Dr Jonathan Rodell	Essay workshop for module 2 essay titles
5.30pm	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Depart</i>
7.30pm	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	

### Module 2: 'Global History'

	Wednesday 28 November	Thursday 29 November	Friday 30 November
		Dr. Patrick Clibbens 'Global histories of migration'	Dr. Ruth Watson 'Studying critical events: the 1976 Soweto Youth Uprising'
	<i>Arrival</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
11.30am	Dr. Patrick Clibbens 'Approaches to world history'	Dr. Natasha Pairaudeau 'Microhistories and transnational lives'	Dr. Nicki Kindersley 'Global histories of political thought'
1.00pm	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
2.00pm	Dr. Sujit Sivasundaram 'Islands and oceanic histories'	Professor Saul Dubow 'The "Global" Nelson Mandela'	Professor Mary Laven 'Encounters and material culture'
3.30pm	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
4.00pm	Rachel Rowe, Royal Commonwealth Collection Librarian, UL 'Sources for global histories'	Dr. Gabriela Ramos 'Latin America and the World'	Essay workshop for module 2 essay titles
5.30pm	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Depart</i>
7.30pm	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	



## Sample timetables from a previous cohort:

### Module 3: 'Sources, methods and research skills'

<u>2019</u>	Wednesday 20 February	Thursday 21 February	Friday 22 February
9.30am		Native American Activism of the 1960s Dr Ian Chambers	Cultural history Dr Lawrence Klein
11.00am	<i>Arrival</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
11.30am	Labour history Dr Parth Shil	The British census Dr Joe Day	Time Dr Allegra Fryxell
1.00pm	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
2.00pm	Quantifying the British industrial revolution Dr Sebastian Keibek	IT for historians Gill Newton	Oral history Dr Anjali Datta
3.30pm	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
4.00pm	Microhistory Dr Samantha Williams	IT for historians Gill Newton	Essay workshop for module 2 essay titles
5.30pm	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Depart</i>
7.30pm	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	

## Sample timetables from a previous cohort:

### Module 4: 'Poverty, disease, and medicine, c.1601-1914' Local and Regional History

2019	Wednesday 22 May	Thursday 23 May	Friday 24 May
9.30am		Charity, mutual aid, and self-help Dr Samantha Williams	Revolutions Andrew Thompson
11.00am	<i>Arrival</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
11.30am	Smallpox Dr Romola Davenport	Living Standards in Medieval and Early Modern England Prof John Hatcher	Midwifery and childbirth Dr Leah Astbury
1.00pm	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
2.00pm	Plague Dr Samantha Williams	Towns as the principal determinant of mortality change, 1600-1900 Prof Richard Smith	Medicine and the workhouse Dr Romola Davenport
3.30pm	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
4.00pm	The Poor Laws and Social Reform Dr Samantha Williams	Riot and protest in early modern England Dr Heather Falvey	Dissertation workshop Dr Samantha Williams
5.30pm	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Depart</i>
7.30pm	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	

### Module 4: Global History II

	Wednesday 22 May	Thursday 23 May	Friday 24, May
		'Late Development': The Uneven Spread of Industrialisation in Asia, Africa and Latin America, 1850 to the Present Prof Gareth Austin	Revolutions Dr Andrew Thompson
	<i>Arrival</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
	Gender and history: colonial South Asia Professor Samita Sen	Piracy Dr Ian Chambers	Native American removal Dr Ian Chambers
	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
2.00pm	A History of Books in a Global Context, 1850-1950 Dr Mishka Sinha	Japan in Global Intellectual History Dr Chika Tonooka	British Empire and Islam Dr John Slight
3.30pm	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>	<i>Tea/Coffee break</i>
4.00pm	African decolonisation in global perspective Dr George Roberts	Space and Place in Global History Dr Helen Pfeifer	Dissertation workshop Dr Samantha Williams
5.30pm	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Private study time</i>	<i>Depart</i>
7.30pm	<i>Dinner</i>	<i>Dinner</i>	





# Assessment:

## Year 1

One 4,000 word essay per module, carrying 10% of the marks each.

Unassessed research proposal essay at the start of year 2.



# YEAR 2

There are 3 **Day Schools**:

Day School 1: Workshop on research design, analysis, evaluation of sources & methods

Day School 2: Linking your topic and the historiography

Day School 3: Structure and presentation

- A **dissertation** of 16,000-20,000 words, based on primary research, in British local and regional history *or* Global history, carrying 60% of the marks.

# Application process

*Deadline 31 March 2020*

See our website: <http://www.ice.cam.ac.uk/course/mst-history> Apply on-line.

## ‘Statement of intended research’

- ✎ Area of research and chronological period
  - ✎ How the research contributes to the existing historiography on that topic
  - ✎ Primary sources
- 600-1,000 words (2-5 pages) in length.

**The topic must fall within one of the MSt in History pathways: either British local and regional history *or* Global history.** The research proposal is an essential element of the application since supervisors for the dissertation are secured before admission.

Interviews: 16 & 17 January 2020; 15-17 April 2020.

