

## The Industrial Revolution

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<b>Start date</b>	07 February 2020	<b>End date</b>	09 February 2020
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<b>Venue</b>	Madingley Hall Madingley Cambridge CB23 8AQ
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<b>Tutor</b>	Dr Samantha Williams	<b>Course code</b>	1920NRX024
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### Tutor biography

Samantha is Reader in Social History at the Institute and Official Fellow and Director of Studies in History at Girton College. She teaches the industrial revolution period to undergraduates, as well as the social and economic history of the twentieth century. She also supervises History and Politics students and offers an advanced course for master's students on the MPhil in Early Modern History on poverty, disease and medicine. She is Course Director of the MSt in History which has pathways in Local and Global history. She has published widely on the history of poverty in England, including two monographs: *Poverty, Gender and Life-cycle under the English Poor Law, c.1760-1834* (Royal Historical Society, Boydell and Brewer, 2011) and *Unmarried Motherhood in the Metropolis, 1700–1850: Pregnancy, the Poor Law and Provision* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2018), as well as co-editing the volume, *Illegitimacy in Britain 1700-1920* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2005).

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## Course programme

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### Friday

Please plan to arrive between 16:30 and 18:30. You can meet other course members in the bar which opens at 18:15. Tea and coffee making facilities are available in the study bedrooms.

19:00	Dinner
20:30 – 22:00	<b>The industrial revolution</b>
22:00	Terrace bar open for informal discussion

### Saturday

07:30	Breakfast
09:00 – 10:30	<b>The consumer revolution</b>
10:30	Coffee
11:00 – 12:30	<b>An ‘industrious revolution’?</b>
13:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	Free
16:00	Tea
16:30 – 18:00	<b>The population and sexual revolution</b>
18:00 – 18:30	Free
18:30	Dinner
20:00 – 21:30	<b>Dark Satanic mills? Urbanisation and living standards</b>
21:30	Terrace bar open for informal discussion

### Sunday

07:30	Breakfast
09:00 – 10:30	<b>Popular culture</b>
10:30	Coffee
11:00 – 12:30	<b>Discussion session</b>
12:45	Lunch

## **Course syllabus**

### **Aims:**

1. To explore the impact of a number of 'revolutions' during the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries;
2. To examine their interconnectedness.

### **Content:**

The industrial revolution is associated with sustained economic growth, technological innovation and 'dark Satanic mills'. In this weekend course we will explore all of these aspects, as well as why Britain might have been the first industrial nation. We will also examine whether there were associated 'revolutions' in consumerism and population, and how rising living standards and urbanisation facilitated the growth of association football, music hall and seaside holidays. The final session will be devoted entirely to questions and discussion.

### **Presentation of the course:**

Most of the sessions will take the form of illustrated talks with time for questions/discussion in each session, and the whole of the final session will be devoted to discussion of the period.

**As a result of the course, within the constraints of the time available, students should be able to:**

- gain a deeper awareness of economic and social change in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries;
- become more aware of the types of evidence historians base their arguments upon.

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## Reading and resources list

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Listed below are texts that might be of interest should you wish to supplement your learning on the course. Any essential reading is marked with an asterisk \*

Author	Title	Publisher and date
R. Floud and P. Johnson (eds)	<i>The Cambridge Economic History of Modern Britain, Volume 1. Industrialisation, 1700-1860</i>	(CUP, 2004)
R. Floud, J. Humphries and P. Johnson (eds)	<i>The Cambridge Economic History of Modern Britain, Volume 1. Industrialisation, 1700-1870</i>	(2 <sup>nd</sup> ed., CUP, 2014)
E. Griffin	<i>A Short History of the British Industrial Revolution</i>	(Palgrave Macmillan, 2010)
E. Griffin	<i>Liberty's dawn: a people's history of the industrial revolution</i>	(Yale University Press, 2013)
F. Dabhoiwala	<i>The Origins of Sex: A history of the first sexual revolution</i>	(Penguin, 2012)
J. M. Golby and A. Purdue	<i>The Civilisation of the Crowd: Popular Culture in England, 1750-1900</i>	(2 <sup>nd</sup> ed 1999)

## Website addresses

Economic History Society podcasts:

<https://www.ehs.org.uk/multimedia/index.html>

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## Additional information

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### Venue

Details of how to find Madingley Hall can be found on our website:  
<http://www.ice.cam.ac.uk/who-we-are/how-to-find-the-institute>

### Refreshments

Tea and coffee, lunch and dinner will be provided as outlined in the timetable. If you have any specific dietary requirements or allergies and have not already advised us, please inform our Admissions Team on [ice.admissions@ice.cam.ac.uk](mailto:ice.admissions@ice.cam.ac.uk) or +44 (0)1223 746262.

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