Writing Sample

Applicants should submit a writing sample (in English). This should be a complete final-year undergraduate paper (or a number of shorter papers) in History or a related field (Humanities or Social Science) or approximately 10- 20 pages of historical research.

If you are a non-standard applicant and do not have a writing sample available on the above, please answer one of the below questions.

Crime

'A multi-use right.' Is this a useful description of the criminal justice system in the eighteenth century?

Did everyone have access to the law? Keep in mind class and gender biases in the law while you undertake your reading. To what extent were some groups of people over or under-represented as defendants and prosecutors?

Two very good websites with essential background reading are:
http://www.oldbaileyonline.org/static/History.jsp

and

http://www.londonlives.org/static/Background.jsp

*D. Hay, 'Property, authority and the criminal law', in D. Hay *et al* (eds.), *Albion's Fatal Tree* (1975)

*J. Langbein, 'Albion's fatal flaw', *Past and Present*, 1983.

*P. King, 'Decision-making and decision-makers in criminal law 1750-1800', *Historical Journal*, 1984.

*J. M. Beattie, *Crime and the Courts in England, 1660-1800* (1986)

*R. B. Shoemaker, *Prosecution and punishment: petty crime and the law in London and Middlesex, c1660-1725* (CUP, 1991)

Gender and age

*S. D'Cruze and L.A. Jackson, *Women, crime and justice in England since 1660* (2009)

*P. King, *Crime, Justice and Discretion in England, 1740-1820* (2000)

*P. King, *Crime and Law in England, 1750-1840: remaking justice from the margins* (2006)

Also

Clive Elmsley, *Crime and Society in England, 1750-1900* (3rd ed, 2005)

J. Brewer and J. Styles, 'Introduction', in Brewer and Styles (eds.), *An Ungovernable People: the English and their Law in the seventeenth and eighteenth Centuries* (1980)

V. Gartrell, *The Hanging Tree: Execution and the English People 1770-1868* (1994), chs 18, 19, 20.

D. Hay, 'Poaching and the game laws on Cannock Chase', in D. Hay *et al*. (eds.), *Albion's Fatal Tree* (1975)

Poverty

'Poor law provision was always a small component of poor relief.' Discuss with reference to the period any period of around *one hundred years* between 1550 and 1834.

http://www.londonlives.org/static/Background.jsp

S. Williams, Poverty, *Gender and Life-cycle under the English Poor Law, 1760-1834* (Boydell and Brewer, 2011)

S. Williams, 'Poor relief, labourers' households and living standards in rural England c1770-1834', *Economic History Review*, 58 (2005), pp.485-519

S. Williams, ''Malthus, marriage and poor law allowances revisited: a Bedfordshire case study, 1770-1834', *Agricultural History Review*, 52 (2004), pp.56-82

*S. Williams, 'Earnings, Poor Relief and the Economy of Makeshifts: Bedfordshire in the early years of the New Poor Law', *Rural History*, 16: 1 (2005), pp.21-52.

*S. King, *Poverty and welfare in England* (Manchester, 2000)

*A.E. Tomkins and S. King, *The Poor in England, 1700-1850. An economy of makeshifts* (2003)

J. Innes, 'The "mixed economy of welfare" in early modern England: assessments of the options from Hale to Malthus (*c.* 1683-1803)', in M. Daunton (ed.), *Charity, self-interest and welfare in the English past* (London, 1996), pp.139-80

*A. Kidd, *State, society, and the poor in nineteenth-century England* (1999)

*K.D.M. Snell, *Parish and belonging: Community, identity and Welfare in England and Wales 1700-1950* (2006), ch.5.

D. Englander, *Poverty and Poor Law Reform in nineteenth Century Britain, 1834-1914* (1998)

L. H. Lees, *The Solidarities of Strangers: The English Poor Laws and the People, 1700-1948* (1998)

A. Brundage, *The English Poor Laws, 1700-1930* (2002)

F. Driver, *Power and Pauperism: the Workhouse System, 1834-1884* (1993).

Workhouses, 1834-1901

Who was accommodated in the Victorian workhouse and why?

All *Local Population Studies* articles up to 2011 are available at:
http://www.localpopulationstudies.org.uk/journal.htm

A. Hinde and F. Turnbull, 'The populations of two Hampshire workhouses, 1851-1861, *Local Population Studies*, 61 (1998), 38-53

F. Crompton, *Workhouse children: Infant and child paupers under the Worcestershire poor law* (1997)

N. Goose, 'Workhouse populations in the mid-nineteenth century: the case of Hertfordshire', *Local Population Studies*, 62 (1999), 52-69

N. Goose, 'Poverty, old age and gender in nineteenth-century England: the case of Hertfordshire', *Continuity and Change*, 20 (2005), 351-84

D. G. Jackson, 'Kent workhouse populations in 1881: a study based on the census enumerator's books', *Local Population Studies*, 69 (2002), 51-66

D. G. Jackson, 'The Medway Union Workhouse, 1876-1881: a study based on the admission and discharge registers and the census enumerators' books, *Local Population Studies*, 75 (2005), 11-32

A. Perkyns, 'The admission of children to the Milton Union workhouse, Kent, 1835-1885', *Local Population Studies*, 80 (2008), 59-77

A. Gritt and P. Park, 'The workhouse populations of Lancashire in 1881', *Local Population Studies*, 86 (2011), 37-65

S. Page, 'Pauperism and the Leicester workhouse in 1881', *Transactions of the Leicestershire Architectural and Archaeological Society*, 63 (1989), 85-95

A. Negrine, 'The treatment of sick children in the workhouse by the Leicester poor law union, 1867–1914', *Family and Community History*, 13 (2010), 34-44

C. Seal, 'Workhouse populations in the Cheltenham and Belper Unions, 1851-1911', *Family and Community History*, 13 (2010), 83-100.

L. Darwen, 'Workhouse Populations of the Preston Union, 1841–61', *Local Population Studies*, 93 (2014), 33-53.

M.A. Crowther, *The Workhouse System, 1834–1929: the History of an English Social Institution* (London, 1983).

F. Driver, *Power and Pauperism: The workhouse system, 1834-1884* (1993).

A. Digby, *Pauper Palaces* (1978).

S. Williams, 'Unmarried mothers and the new poor law in Hertfordshire', *Local Population Studies*, 91 (2013), 27-43.

D. Green, *Pauper Capital: London and the Poor Law, 1790-1870* (2010)

A. Kidd, *State, society, and the poor in nineteenth-century England* (1999)

K.D.M. Snell, *Parish and belonging: Community, identity and Welfare in England and Wales 1700-1950* (2006), ch.5.

D. Englander, *Poverty and Poor Law Reform in nineteenth Century Britain, 1834-1914* (1998)

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A. Brundage, *The English Poor Laws, 1700-1930* (2002)

Intellectual History

'Globalising intellectual history:' is this necessary, and if so, why? *(You may focus on a case study from a particular region and period: the list below contains both general introductory texts and specific examples. Introductory texts are marked *)*

*Global Intellectual History journal: https://www.tandfonline.com/loi/rgih20 (See especially Vol. 1 Issue 1 for a discussion of the idea of 'global intellectual history.')

*Sebastian Conrad, 'Enlightenment in Global History: A Historiographical Critique.' *The American Historical Review*, Volume 117, Issue 4, October 2012, Pages 999–1027. https://doi.org/10.1093/ahr/117.4.999

*Samuel Moyn and Andrew Sartori, eds., *Global Intellectual History*. New York: Columbia University Press, 2013.

*David Armitage, 'The "International Turn:" A Reply to My Critics.' https://scholar.harvard.edu/files/armitage/files/forum_galley.pdf (Scroll down for English version: the article appears in both Chinese and English.)

Case studies: (You may also select case studies mentioned in the general texts above if the region you wish to focus on is not represented here)

David Armitage, *The Declaration of Independence: A Global History*. Cambridge, Mass: Harvard University Press, 2007.

David Armitage and Sanjay Subrahmanyam, eds., *The Age of Revolutions in Global Context, c. 1760-1840*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, 2010.

Cemil Aydin*, The Politics of Anti-Westernism in Asia: Visions of World Order in Pan-Islamic and Pan-Asian Thought*. New York: Columbia University Press 2007.

Erez Manela, *The Wilsonian Moment: Self-Determination and the International Origins of Anticolonial Nationalism*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007.

C.A. Bayly, *Recovering Liberties*. Cambridge University Press, 2012. (If you are unable to access the book at a library, the Wiles Lectures on which the book is based are online: https://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/happ/Discover/WilesLectureSeries/PastLectures/)

Andrew Sartori*, Bengal in Global Concept History: Culturalism in the Age of Capital*. Chicago: University of Chicago press, 2008.

Kevin B. Anderson, *Marx at the Margins: On Nationalism, Ethnicity, and Non-Western Societies*. Chicago: University of Chicago press, 2010.

Susan Buck-Morss, *Hegel, Haiti, and Universal History*. Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh press, 2009.

Migration:

'Histories of migration have often focussed on the free movement of people, but in human history, unfree or coerced migration is the more common experience.' *Discuss in relation to a specific case study on the history of migration (select from the list below).*

General introductions to migration histories:

Dirk Hoerder, *Studies in Global Migration History*. Brill, 2013.

Eureka Henrich , Julian M. Simpson (eds). *History, Historians and the Immigration Debate: Going Back to Where We Came From*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2018.

Rossi, B. (2018, November 20). 'Migration History and Historiography.' Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History.

https://oxfordre.com/africanhistory/view/10.1093/acrefore/9780190277734.001.0001/acrefore-9780190277734-e-325.

David Northrup, 'Free and Unfree Labour Migration, 1600-1900: an Introduction.' *Journal of World History*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (Jun., 2003), pp. 125-130. (See also rest of issue).

History in Focus: Websites on the History of Migration:
https://archives.history.ac.uk/history-in-focus/Migration/websites.html

The Atlantic Slave Trade

Leslie Choquette (2011). Atlantic Migration. obo in Atlantic History. Oxford Bibliographies (Article contains references to further reading). https://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780199730414/obo-9780199730414-0040.xml#firstMatch

Joseph E. Inikori & Stanley L. Engerman, eds. *The Atlantic Slave Trade: Effects on Economies, Societies and Peoples in Africa, the Americas, and Europe*. Duke University Press, 1992.

Isidore Okpewho, ed. *The African Diaspora: African Origins and New World Identities.* Indiana University Press, 1999.

John Thornton, *Africa and Africans in the Making of the Atlantic World, 1400-1800*. Cambridge University Press, 1992.

Indentured Labour, Diaspora and Empire

David Northrup, *Indentured Labour in the Age of Imperialism, 1834-1922*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1995.

Lomarsh Roopnarine (2017). Indian Indentured Servitude in the Atlantic World. Oxford Bibliographies (Article contains references to further reading). https://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780199730414/obo-9780199730414-0210.xml#firstMatch

Joya Chatterji and David Washbrook, eds. *Routledge Handbook of the South Asian Diaspora*. Routledge, 2013.

David Northrup, 'Migration from Africa, Asia, and the South Pacific,' in *The Oxford History of the British Empire: Volume III: The Nineteenth Century*, ed. Andrew Porter. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999. DOI:10.1093/acprof:oso/9780198205654.003.0005