Studying Asian and Middle Eastern Studies at St Anne’s College

The Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies offers courses on various languages and subjects that cover an enormous geographical area, from Morocco in the west to Japan in the east, and a long time span from the earliest civilizations, c. 3500 BCE, to the present day.

Visiting students interested in studying the culture and history of some of the world’s major civilizations are encouraged to apply to study Asian and Middle Eastern Studies at St Anne’s.

Ideally you will be studying a similar subject at your home institution but no specific prerequisites are required, and students are not expected to have studied an Asian and Middle Eastern language previously. We also welcome students with previous background knowledge or language skills.

If you are offered a place to study Asian and Middle Eastern Studies at St Anne’s you will study 2 courses per term. Students will attend tutorials tailored to cater for the need of the students for each of their courses. Typically, visiting students will attend 3-5 lectures per week and 8-12 tutorials per semester. The arrangement of tutorials is varied and would be arranged by Dr Ted Hui, who acts as a personal tutor to all Asian and Middle Eastern Studies students.

The Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies offers courses in the following areas:

- Near and Middle Eastern Studies
- Inner and South Asian Studies
- East Asian Studies

For a detailed description of the courses offered in the faculty, please check out the Undergraduate Course Handbooks on each individual subject: [https://resources.orinst.ox.ac.uk/handbooks](https://resources.orinst.ox.ac.uk/handbooks)

Note that not all courses listed are available to visiting students.

St Anne’s offers particular advantages to visiting students who wish to study Asian and Middle Eastern Studies at Oxford. The College Library has the largest collection of books required for Chinese classes and tutorials and is among the largest in Japanese. There is a considerable collection of works in Arabic, Hebrew, Jewish Studies, Turkish, Korean and Tibetan. St Anne’s also benefits from being adjacent to St Antony’s College, which contains the Bodleian (main University library) collection in Japanese and the Modern Middle East Centre Library.

Subjects in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies are as demanding as they are rewarding, and the support offered in College can make a considerable difference. The graduates of the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies have a high employment success rate; St Anne’s graduates can be found worldwide, working in sectors as diverse as banking, business, law, government, media, education and charities.