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## **Studying Politics at St Anne's**

The Department of Politics and International Relations at Oxford is an internationally renowned centre of excellence for teaching and research. The study of these disciplines at Oxford has a long and distinguished history and the department is now one of the largest in the field in the UK. The College has particular strengths in British Politics, Political Theory, and International Relations.

Undergraduates at Oxford study either Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) or History and Politics. However Visiting Students can choose to study politics as a single subject. If you are offered a place to study Politics here, you will usually take two politics courses per term, which requires you to attend two tutorials a week. You must also write essays for six of the eight weeks (you choose which).

This is a total of sixteen tutorials and twelve essays over the eight week term. In addition, you need to attend lectures and occasionally classes organised by the faculty. It is not unusual for these to take place during terms other than your tutorials so it is important to plan ahead.

The following are **Core Papers** in Politics, which are offered each year but not necessarily each term.

- 201 Comparative Government
- 202 British Politics and Government since 1900 \*
- 203 Theory of Politics (cross-listed as Philosophy 114) \*
- 214 International Relations \*
- 220 Political Sociology

**Comparative Government** – topics covered include Theoretical and Methodological Principles, Democratization, Autocracies and Hybrid Regimes, State Formation, Colonialism, Executives, Legislatures, Courts.

**British Politics and Government since 1900** – topics covered include Ireland, New Liberalism, Enfranchisement, Attlee, Thirteen Wasted Years, Immigration, Thatcherism, and New Labour. Note that this is an historical paper; if your interest is in contemporary British politics then please see the optional paper below.

**Theory of Politics** – topics covered include justice, equality, democracy, liberalism, feminism, conservatism, socialism, and libertarianism.

**International Relations** – topics covered include classical approaches, critical perspectives, postcolonialism and empire, international co-operation, democratic peace theory, global war and security, identity and international security, culture and conflict.

**Political Sociology** – topics covered include political culture and social capital, class, ethnic minorities, gender, nationalism, religion, social attitudes, and social movements.

You can also select from **optional papers**, which include the following. Not every course is available each term and teaching may be arranged by St Anne's but conducted in another College. Additionally some courses have pre-requisites which you would need to have met when you apply to the programme.

- Modern British Government and Politics \*
- Government and Politics of Japan
- Government and Politics of the United States
- Politics in China
- Politics in Europe
- Politics of the European Union
- Politics in Russia and the Former Soviet Union
- Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa
- Politics in Latin America
- Politics in South Asia
- Politics in the Middle East
- International Relations in the Era of the Two World Wars \*
- International Relations in the Era of the Cold War \*
- International Security and Conflict \*
- Advanced Paper in Theories of Justice \*
- Feminism
- Political Thought from Plato to Rousseau \*
- Political Thought from Bentham to Weber \*
- Marx and Marxism \*
- Sociological Theory
- The Sociology of Post-Industrial Societies
- Labour Economics and Industrial Relations
- Comparative Demographic Systems.

Papers marked \* are often, but not always, taught within St Anne's.