

WILLIAMS-EXETER PROGRAMME AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY

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THE PROGRAMME

Williams College offers a year-long program of studies at Oxford University in co-operation with Exeter College (founded in 1314), one of the constituent colleges of the University. Williams students will be enrolled as Visiting Students at Exeter and as such will be undergraduate members of the University, eligible for access to virtually all of its facilities, libraries, and resources. As Visiting Students in Oxford, students admitted to the Programme will be fully integrated into the intellectual and social life of one of the world's great universities.

Although students on the Programme will be members of Exeter College, entitled to make full use of Exeter facilities (including the College Library), dine regularly in Hall, and join all College clubs and organizations on the same terms as other undergraduates at Exeter, students will reside in Ephraim Williams House, a compound of four buildings owned by Williams College, roughly 1.4 miles north of the city centre. Six students from Exeter College will normally reside in Ephraim Williams House each year, responsible for helping to integrate Williams students into the life of the College and the University. A resident director (and member of the Williams faculty) administers Ephraim Williams House, oversees the academic program, and serves as both the primary academic and personal advisor to Williams students in Oxford.

Students on the Williams-Exeter Programme are required to be in residence in Oxford from Thursday, 27 September 2012, until 22 June 2013 with two breaks for vacations between the three terms. Students enroll for the full academic year, which consists of three eight-week terms of instruction: MICHAELMAS TERM (7 October to 1 December 2012), HILARY TERM (13 January to 9 March 2013), and TRINITY TERM (21 April to 15 June 2013). Students are expected to be in residence to write their first tutorial papers in the week (0th Week) before the eight weeks of instruction begin and to remain in residence during the week (9th Week) after the term ends in order to sit final examinations. Between the three terms there are two intervening five week vacations, during which students may be expected to continue reading as preparation for their upcoming tutorials. Students are required to arrive in Oxford by 27 September 2012 for the ten-day orientation.

THE TUTORIAL SYSTEM

Undergraduate instruction at Oxford University is largely carried out through individual or small-group tutorials, in which students meet weekly with their tutor to present and discuss an essay they have written, based on an extensive amount of reading undertaken from an assigned reading list they will receive at the beginning of each term. In addition to the weekly tutorial, students are usually expected to attend a course of lectures offered by the University that corresponds to the material being addressed in their tutorials.

Each student will plan a course of study for the three terms of the academic year in consultation with the director of the Programme. In his or her capacity as the Tutor for Visiting Students at Exeter College, the director, working closely with Exeter's subject tutors, will arrange the teaching for the students, monitor student progress, be in regular contact with the student's tutors, supervise the examinations that students sit at the end of each academic term, and report on each student's academic progress to the Senior Tutor at Exeter College. There are no "add/drop" periods at Oxford; once a student has made a commitment to a particular tutorial course, and the director has then secured a tutor to teach that course, students cannot back out or change the terms of the tutorial. All tutorials at Oxford are graded, although in exceptional circumstances a tutorial may be converted to pass/fail before the end of the fourth week of term with the permission of the Programme director.

Over the course of the three terms, students are required to enroll in a minimum of FIVE tutorial courses (each consisting of eight individual tutorial meetings and generally requiring the preparation of eight essays). It is possible for students, in consultation with their tutor, to spread an eight-session tutorial out over two terms, however. Although most students take the minimum five tutorial courses, many have enrolled in two tutorials per term for a total of six tutorials over their time at Oxford.

GRADES AND CREDIT

Grades for each tutorial course reflect the grade assigned to all eight tutorial sessions, including their related essays, considered together, as well as the grade for the final examination. Final examinations last three hours and are always sat in the ninth week of term, following the eight weeks of instruction. For some tutorial courses, tutors may elect to offer the student the option of a final paper or project in lieu of an examination.

Upon satisfactory completion of the requirements for the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University, students receive academic credit for a regular Williams academic year, with each eight-session tutorial plus final examination counting as the equivalent of 1.6 regular semester courses taken at Williams. Grades eventually become a part of their Williams transcript and will be included in the computation of their Grade Point Average.

Tutorial courses in Oxford may be used toward fulfilling the divisional distribution requirement; a student may earn a maximum of three distribution requirements, with no more than one from each division, for the year. All tutorial courses at Oxford meet the Williams College "Writing Intensive" designation, except for those in the studio arts, mathematics, and the sciences.

Tutorial courses in Oxford may also be used to meet major requirements. Students are encouraged to check with their department chair(s) to confirm official department policy.

THE COURSE OF STUDY

In addition to the opportunity to pursue British and Commonwealth Studies, Williams students in Oxford will be able to pursue tutorials in fields in which Oxford is particularly noted (Economics, English Literature, Modern History, Philosophy, Politics, Classics, Theology, the Natural Sciences, etc.). Exeter College also has fellows in English Language and Literature (with interests ranging from the Renaissance-including Shakespeare-to the early nineteenth century), in Politics (with interests in international relations and comparative politics), and in History (with an interest in the medieval period) committed to teaching Williams students, and students are thus encouraged to consider undertaking at least one tutorial course in these fields as part of their course of study.

What follows is a PARTIAL list of tutorial courses normally available to students studying on the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford. The tutorials listed below represent a selection of some of the standard "papers" (courses) that comprise the Oxford degrees in various subjects and that are taught in tutorial format, although most are not offered every Oxford term. It needs to be emphasized that this is only a partial list, that the tutorial offerings at Oxford University are incredibly rich, and that one of the attractions of the Programme is that it enables students to define, develop, and pursue their academic interests. Students are therefore encouraged to explore all the courses offered at Oxford even if they are not listed in this Catalog.

Tutorial courses are not offered every term and are often accompanied by scheduled lectures. Although the term in which the lectures are delivered is sometimes listed below, as is the term in which students should take the tutorials (MT-Michaelmas Term; HT-Hilary Term; TT-Trinity Term), these change from year to year. It is therefore imperative that students consult the relevant "faculty" webpages to make sure when the lectures and/or tutorials they wish to take are actually offered. Sometimes, where appropriate, prerequisites are also listed.

A full summary of the list of courses offered by subject can be found at: http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate_courses/courses/index.html.

Although some courses descriptions are provided below, detailed descriptions of all the courses listed in this catalog can be found on the websites of respective departments or faculties the links of which can be found at: http://www.ox.ac.uk/divisions/department_az.html.

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Archaeology and Anthropology

<http://www.anthropology.ox.ac.uk/>

<http://www.arch.ox.ac.uk/>

WIOX Social Analysis and Interpretation

WIOX Cultural Representations, Beliefs, and Practices

WIOX Landscape, Ecology, and Human Evolution

WIOX Urbanization and Change in Complex Societies: Comparative Approaches

WIOX Anthropology

Topics include but are not limited to:

Culture and Society of West Africa

South Asia (Caste and Humanism)

Lowland South America
Maritime South East Asia
Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective
Human Genetical Variation
Primates in Anthropology
Material Cultural Studies
Visual Anthropology and the Anthropology of Art
Japanese Society
China and the Overseas Chinese
Tibet and the Himalayas
Anthropology of Europe

WIOX Archaeology

Topics include but are not limited to:

The Origins of Modern Humans
Archaeology of southern African Hunter-Gatherers
Farming and Early States in Sub-Saharan Africa
Mesopotamia and Egypt from the Emergence of Complex Society to c. 2000 BC
Mesopotamia and Egypt, 1000-500 BC
Greek Archaeology and Art, c. 500-323 BC
Europe in Transition: The Emergence and Development of Early Farming Societies
Science-Based Methods in Archaeology
Archaeology of Modern Human Origins
The Archaeology of Anglo-Saxon England in the Early Christian Period, c. 600-750
Archaeology and Geographical Information Systems
Landscape Archaeology
The Late Glacial in Europe: Pathways to Complexity?
Biological Techniques in Environmental Archaeology
Themes in European Mesolithic Studies

WIOX Biochemistry, Molecular and Cellular

<http://www.bioch.ox.ac.uk/>

WIOX Molecular Cell Biology

WIOX Biological Chemistry

WIOX Biophysical Chemistry

WIOX Organic Chemistry

WIOX Mathematics and Statistics for Biochemists

WIOX Structure and Function of Metabolites

WIOX Energetics and Metabolic Processes

WIOX Genetics and Molecular Biology

WIOX Cell Biology and the Integration of Function

WIOX Biological Sciences

<http://www.biology.ox.ac.uk/>

WIOX Evolution (these all have course descriptions)

WIOX Quantitative Methods

WIOX Adaptation to the Environment

WIOX Animal Behavior

WIOX Plants and People

WIOX Ecology

WIOX Cell and Developmental Biology

WIOX Disease

WIOX Chemistry

<http://www.chem.ox.ac.uk/>

A full list of courses and lectures offered in Chemistry can be found at : <http://www.chem.ox.ac.uk/teaching/UndergradHandbook2008.pdf>

WIOX Inorganic Chemistry

WIOX Organic Chemistry

WIOX Physical Chemistry

WIOX Mathematics for Chemistry

WIOX Solid State Chemistry

WIOX Classical Archeology and Ancient History

WIOX Aristocracy and Democracy in the Greek World, 550-450 BC
WIOX Republic to Empire, Rome 50 BC to 50 AD
WIOX Early Greece and the Mediterranean, c.800-500 BC
WIOX Greek Art and Archaeology, c.500-300 BC
WIOX Rome, Italy, and the Hellenistic East, c.300-100 BC
WIOX Roman Archaeology: Cities and Settlements under the Empire
WIOX Egyptian Art and Architecture
WIOX The Late Bronze Age and Early Iron Age Aegean
WIOX Greek and Roman Coins
WIOX Art under the Roman Empire, AD 14-337
WIOX The Transformation of the Celtic World, 500-BC-AD 100
WIOX The Archaeology of the Late Roman Empire, AD 284-641
WIOX Byzantium: The Transition from Antiquity to the Middle Ages, AD 500-1100
WIOX The Emergence of Medieval Europe, AD 400-900
WIOX The Formation of the Islamic World, AD 550-950
WIOX Epigraphy of the Greek and Roman World, c.700 BC-AD 300
WIOX From Julian the Apostate to St Augustine, AD 350-95
WIOX Francia in the Age of Clovis and Gregory of Tours
WIOX Roman History, 146-46 BC
WIOX The Archaeology of Minoan Crete, 3200-1000 BC
WIOX Mediterranean Maritime Archaeology

WIOX Classics

<http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/>

A full lecture list of classics courses can be found at: <http://www.classics.ox.ac.uk/lectures/leclist.asp?ListType=CL>

WIOX Cicero and Cataline
WIOX Greek Literature of the 5th Century B.C.
WIOX Homer, Odyssey, in Greek or in Translation
WIOX Latin Literature of the First Century BC
WIOX New Testament Greek

Ancient History

WIOX Greek History, 479-403 BC
WIOX Greek History, 403-336 BC
WIOX Roman History, 146-46 BC
WIOX Roman History, 46 BC-AD 54
WIOX The Early Greek World and Herodotus' Histories: 650 to 479 BC
WIOX Thucydides and the Greek World: 479 to 403 BC
WIOX The End of the Peloponnesian War to the Death of Philip II of Macedon: 403 to 336 BC
WIOX Polybius, Rome and the Mediterranean: 241-146 BC
WIOX Republic in Crisis, 146-46 BC
WIOX Rome, Italy and Empire from Caesar to Claudius, 46 BC to AD 54
WIOX Athenian Democracy in the Classical Age
WIOX Alexander the Great and His Early Successors, 336-302 BC
WIOX The Hellenistic World: societies and Cultures c.300-100 BC
WIOX Cicero: Politics and Thought in the Late Republic
WIOX Politics, Society, and Culture from Nero to Hadrian
WIOX Religions in the Greek and Roman World, c.31 BC-AD 312
WIOX Sexuality and Gender in Greece and Rome
WIOX The Greeks and the Mediterranean World, 950-500 BC

WIOX Classics and English

WIOX Epic (Homer, Virgil, Lucan, Milton, Dryden, Pope)
WIOX Tragedy (Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides, Seneca, Kyd, Marlowe, Shakespeare, Jonson, Webster, Middleton, Ford, Milton)
WIOX Comedy (Aristophanes, Menander, Plautus, Terence, Gascoigne, Lyly, Shakespeare, Jonson, Wycherley, Vanbrugh, Congreve, Sheridan)
WIOX Satire (Horace, Wyatt, Donne, Marston, Dryden, Johnson, Pope)
WIOX Pastoral (Theocritus, Bion, Virgil, Mantuan, Tasso, Guarini, Spenser, Fletcher, Milton, Pope, Shelley, Arnold)
WIOX Medieval and Renaissance Latin Hexameter Poetry
WIOX The Reception of Classical Literature in Poetry in English since 1900

WIOX Classics and Modern Languages

WIOX Classics and Oriental Studies

WIOX Computer Science

WIOX Earth Sciences (Geology)

WIOX Physics and Chemistry of the Earth

WIOX Earth Materials

WIOX Earth Surface Processes

WIOX Economics and Management

<http://www.economics.ox.ac.uk/>

All of the Economics teaching is arranged by Oxford's Economics Department and not by the Director of the Williams-Exeter Programme. Students will be expected to attend the lectures in all terms designated and undertake their tutorial work in the appropriate term. For a full list of courses, visit <http://www.economics.ox.ac.uk/index.php/undergraduate/matrix>.

WIOX Quantitative Economics core course

This is a compulsory course for all PPE (and EM and HE) finalists. The lectures and classes will be given in Trinity Term. The QE course is designed to give students a good understanding of the rationale for and intuition about the application of statistical methods to the analysis of a range of applied economics issues, such as the economics effects of education or the behaviour of aggregate consumption. Topics covered will include descriptive statistics, basic statistical distributions and applications to economic data, sampling and hypothesis testing, regression analysis and the testing and interpretation of regression results, time series modelling and empirical applications of these methods in micro and macroeconomics.

WIOX Macroeconomics

Alternative macroeconomic theories and policy implications; aggregate investment and consumption; demand for money; unemployment and inflation; balance of payments adjustment; exchange rates; supply-side policies; monetary and fiscal policy; international aspects of macroeconomic policy—all with special reference to the UK and its membership of the EU. (Similar to Economics 252.)

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT only.

WIOX Microeconomics

Risk, uncertainty and information; the firm and market structures; welfare economics; externalities, public goods, and the sources of market failure; the distribution of income; trade and protection; the applications of microeconomics to public policy issues. (Similar to Economics 251.)

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: MT only.

WIOX Microeconomic Theory

Rigorous study of core elements of microeconomic theory. Topics may (but not necessarily) include: decisions making under risk and uncertainty; theory of search under uncertainty; models of contracting under asymmetric information; theory of general economic equilibrium; theory of social choice. A descriptive list of the topics will be published on the Economics Web site before the beginning of the year in which the course is taught and examined. Questions will be set requiring candidates to solve problems and demonstrate conceptual understanding of core elements of microeconomic theory.

WIOX Money and Banking

The nature and definition of money; the role, behavior, and regulation of banks and other financial intermediaries; the supplies of money and credit; the interest rate structure and equity prices; the aims, instruments, and practice of monetary policy; foreign exchange markets and monetary policy; the relations between monetary and fiscal policy.

Prerequisites: Economics 110, 120, and 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT

WIOX Economics of Industry

Market structures, costs and scale economies; oligopoly and the theory of games; empirical studies of pricing and profitability; advertising and product differentiation; mergers and vertical integration; public enterprises and public policy towards market structure; managerial theories of the firm.

Prerequisites: Economics 110, 120, and 251. Lectures and Tutorials: HT.

WIOX Labour Economics and Industrial Relations

Organization and policies of trade unions and employers' associations; employer-employee relations; the theory and practice of collective bargaining; the role of the government in industrial relations; the application of economic analysis to labor markets; economic aspects of trade unions; the economics of labor policy.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

WIOX International Economics

Theories of international trade and their application to economic policy and current problems; theory and practice of economic integration; current problems of the international trading system; methods of balance of payments adjustment and financing; behavior of floating exchange rates; Exchange Rate Regimes and the International Monetary System. Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

WIOX Command and Transitional Economies

Traditional command economies, attempts to reform them in the direction of market socialism, and the transition to market economies. Focus is largely on Russia and the nations of Eastern Europe, with some attention to China.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

WIOX Public Economics

Welfare-economic foundations; the measurement of well-being; taxation and incentives; taxation, debt, and behavior over time; health, education, and social security; public goods, externalities and market failure; policy towards natural resources and the environment.

Prerequisites: Economics 110, 120, and 251. Lectures and Tutorials: HT

WIOX Economics of Developing Countries

Theories of growth and development; poverty and income distribution; human resources; labor markets and employment; industrialization and technology; agriculture and rural development; monetary and fiscal issues; foreign aid; the role of government in development.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT

WIOX British Economic History Since 1870

Trends and cycles in national income; changes in the structure of output, employment, and capital; the location of industries, industrial concentration, and the growth of large firms; prices, interest rates, and public finance; trade unions and the labor market; poverty and living standards; foreign trade; government policy.

Prerequisites: Economics 110 and 120; Economics 251 or 252. Lectures and Tutorials: MT, HT.

WIOX Statistical Methods in Economics

This contains a compulsory section on methods of statistical analysis, followed by applications to economics. In methods of statistical analysis you are introduced to elements of probability theory, the standard statistical distributions, estimation and hypothesis testing. The applications in Economics are concerned with the application of techniques of statistical inference to economic problems. Additional techniques which are examined include the seasonal adjustment of time series and the construction of index numbers. The syllabus for this paper is currently under revision.

WIOX Econometrics

The objective of the course is to introduce students to econometrics and regression models. This includes an overview of regression techniques and applications to cross-sectional data and time series data as used in microeconomics and macroeconomics, respectively. The course aims to reach a level of econometrics such that applied economic journals can be read with a good understanding and a critical perspective.

Tutorials and Lectures: split between MT and HT.

WIOX Comparative Demographic Systems

The course deals with the major subject areas and controversies in contemporary demography. These include: the status of demographic transition models, theories of low fertility and of divergent mortality in the industrial world; the prospects for welfare systems in ageing societies, new forms of family and household and their future; the realities and prospects of mass migration. Population growth, economic development, environmental pressures and new threats to health in the post-war third world will receive attention, and the future of world population as growth rates slacken and poor societies begin population ageing. Intended and unintended consequences of government actions on demographic phenomena, and the historical origins of Europe's distinctive demography will be emphasised.

Tutorials and Lectures: MT and HT.

WIOX Economics of OECD Countries

This course analyses developments since 1945 in the major OECD economies. A comparative framework is used to examine overall developments, centring on the USA, Japan and Europe. Students may then specialise in one of the major areas. Broad topics covered in comparative perspective include economic growth in the 'golden age'; the growth and productivity slow-down starting in the 1970s; the rise of unemployment; the inflation of the 1970s and the disinflation of the 1980s and the international monetary system. Within Europe the course focuses on the process of European integration, its results and challenges. It also looks at features of individual economies such as the 'German model' and the 'Swedish model'. The US section covers issues such as the 73 PPE HANDBOOK 2009-10 'new economy' of the 1990s, macro-economic policy and the causes of inequality. The Japanese section includes the transition from rapid growth to stagnation, the Japanese labour market and financial systems.

WIOX Economic Decisions within the Firm

The aim of the course is to introduce the student to operational research models and methods, which are useful for understanding problems as faced by firms and other agents, and for making decisions concerning these problems.

Lectures and Tutorials: HT

WIOX Finance

The Finance elective is a comprehensive introduction to topics in finance including both an asset pricing component and a corporate finance component. In asset pricing, topics will cover foundational lectures on expected utility theory and models of financial market equilibrium. We will then discuss the pricing of derivative securities and aspects of financial market efficiency. The corporate finance component will cover aspects of capital budgeting, discounted cash flow and capital project appraisal methods and issues relating to the cost of capital. Methods of company finance, capital structure, dividend policy will also be covered along with an introduction to mergers and acquisitions.

Lectures and Tutorials: HT

WIOX Game Theory

Game theory is the study of strategic interaction. Some elements of game theory appear in the 2nd-year microeconomics core course. This course will develop the basic concepts studied then, and introduce more advanced material, including recent state-of-the-art research. The focus will be on the application of these concepts to the social sciences. Although the applications for the most part will be drawn from economics, examples from political science and further afield may also be studied.

WIOX Quantitative Economics

To introduce the students to quantitative economics and in particular the notions of empirical distributions, inference and the assumptions for inference, regression analysis, multivariate problems such as the demand and supply model and cointegration in macroeconomic time series. Throughout the ideas will be motivated by data and applied questions. Software for quantitative analysis will be introduced. It is assumed that the students have only little prior experience with quantitative economics,

whether it is in the form of probability, statistics or data analysis.

Lectures and Tutorials: TT

WIOX Mathematical Methods

The paper will cover mathematical tools such as Calculus, Linear Algebra, Differential and Difference Equations, Probability and Statistical Inference and their applications to Economics. Applications will not require knowledge of material covered in other optional papers but will assume knowledge of the core first and second year papers. A detailed syllabus will be published every year.

WIOX Economic Theory

Questions on the paper will be on theoretical aspects of economic analysis with applications to topics such as: with applications to topics such as: producers, consumers and general equilibrium; uncertainty and contracts; game theory; welfare and social choice; foundations of macroeconomics; growth theory.

Lectures and Tutorials: MT

WIOX Management

Topics include but are not limited to:

Accounting

Organisational Behaviour and Analysis

Employment Relations

Strategic Management

Marketing

Technology and Operations Management

International Business

WIOX Engineering Science

WIOX Engineering, Economics, and Management

WIOX English Languages and Literatures

<http://www.english.ox.ac.uk>

Visit the following website for a full list of courses offered: <http://www.english.ox.ac.uk/prospective-undergraduates/course-structure.html#fhs>

WIOX English Literature (surveys)

The following courses offer general introductions to the literature of specific periods of English history. There are no prerequisites for these courses, but usually they are available only in the terms indicated below. Exeter's Williams Fellow in English is normally available to teach WIOX 330c, d, e, and f to Williams students; a, b, and g are taught by other tutors.

English Literature from 600 to 1100 MT, HT

English Literature from 1100 to 1509 MT, HT

English Literature from 1509 to 1642 MT, TT

English Literature from 1642 to 1740 HT, TT

English Literature from 1740 to 1832 TT

English Literature from 1832 to 1900 MT

English Literature from 1900 to present HT

WIOX Shakespeare

Consideration of Shakespeare's work in its broader literary and historical context, with a focus on both the range of Shakespeare's writings and the details of specific plays. Students may choose to focus on specific aspects of Shakespeare's work.

No prerequisites, normally available in all three terms

WIOX The History, Theory, and Use of the English Language

The history, use, and theory of the English language, with special reference to literary language, from Chaucer to the present day. Topics in linguistic theory (such as vocabulary, syntax and morphology, social and geographical aspects of the use of English), as well as in the history and theories of literary language (such as figurative language, relations between oral and written discourse, and literary language as persuasion and social action).

No prerequisites; normally available in all three terms.

WIOX Old English

WIOX Old English Literature

WIOX Old English Philology

WIOX Middle English Dialectology

WIOX Modern English Philology

WIOX Linguistic Theory

WIOX Special Authors

This course allows students to focus in detail on the work of one or more authors.

Prerequisite: some background in the close reading of literary texts and a general familiarity with the literature of the period.

The following are the Special Authors who are currently studied for the Special Authors course of the Oxford University syllabus.

The Beowulf poet, or Alfred, or the Exeter Book (600-1100) MT

Chaucer, or Langland, or the York Cycle, or the N-Town Cycle (1100-1509) MT

Spenser, or Milton, or Jonson (1509-1642) MT

Marvell, or Dryden, or Eliza Haywood (1642-1740) MT

Wordsworth, or Austen, or Byron (1740-1832) MT,

Tennyson, or Dickens, or Wilde (1832-1900) MT

Conrad, or Yeats, or Woolf (1900-present) MT

Walcott, or Roth, or Friel MT

Emerson, or Dickenson, or Faulker, MT

These papers can possibly be taken during Hilary Term

WIOX Special Topics

It is open to Williams students to devise a general topic of their own choice for study, falling within one of the categories below, when tutors are available. The option is similar to the Special Topic course followed by third-year Oxford undergraduates. The choice of Special Topic is usually configured so as approximately to correspond chronologically with the period papers on offer at any given point in the year, and with the provision of teaching and lectures-although in practice there may often be some overlap across periods.

Prerequisite: some background in the close reading of literary texts and a general familiarity with the literature of the period.

Linguistic Theory

Medieval and Renaissance Romance

Scottish Literature

Old Norse

Gothic

Old Saxon

Medieval French Literature

Medieval Welsh Language and Literature

Classical Literature

Fiction in English

Drama in English

Prose in English

Poetry in English

American Literature from the beginnings to the present day

Women's Writing in English

History and Theory of Criticism

Postcolonial Literature

WIOX English and Modern Languages

WIOX European and Middle Eastern Languages

WIOX Experimental Psychology

WIOX Fine Art

<http://www.ruskin-sch.ox.ac.uk/>

WIOX Drawing

WIOX Practical Studio Based Work

WIOX History and Theory of Visual Culture

WIOX Human Anatomy

WIOX Geography

WIOX Earth Systems Processes

The course will require an understanding of the physical geography of the Earth, based around core concepts and principles. Students should be able to display familiarity with mechanisms and processes under the headings of atmosphere, biosphere, and lithosphere, and a grasp of linkages between topics taught under these headings.

WIOX Human Geography

This course will examine the following themes and the relationships between them at a variety of scales: cities, societies, and migrants; ecologies, resources, and economies; territories, states, and identities.

WIOX Critical Thinking for Geographers

This course will require an understanding of the practices of critical thinking, examined using the history of geography, its major debates and episodes as source material.

WIOX Geographical Techniques

The subject will comprise the theoretical and practical aspects of geographical techniques. Students will be expected to be conversant with problem solving in both human and physical branches of the discipline.

WIOX The Geographical Environment: Physical

The Nature of the major world physical environments their internal interrelationships and their significance to humans, plants, and animals; processes of environmental

change with particular reference to those that directly affect humans; humans as agents of change in the physical environment.

WIOX The Geographical Environment: Human

The philosophical, technical, and social basis of approaches to and use of the environment; the history, economics, and politics of environmental exploitation and conservation in the major physical regions of the world; the definition of space and territories and the principles of spatial organization in different societies; geographical variations in patterns of resource use, human activity, population growth, and well-being, and their expression in the cultural landscape; the processes of international interdependence.

WIOX The Philosophy, Nature, and Practice of Geography

The development of theory and practice in physical and human geography; the ideas and methods associated with the major schools of thought.

WIOX History

<http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/>

For more information on History lectures offered, visit: <http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/lecturelist/index.htm>

For a full list of courses offered in History, please visit:

<http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/prelims/modhist/index.htm>

<http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/index.htm>

WIOX General History

The following courses offer general introductions to western history during specific time periods. There are no prerequisites for these courses and tutorials can generally be arranged for any of them in Michaelmas and Trinity terms.

For a full list of General History courses see:

http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/PRELIMS_HBK_2008-9.pdf#page=31

<http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/general/index.htm>

General History i, 285-476

General History ii, 476-750

General History iii, 700-900

General History iv, 900-1122

General History v, 1122-1273

General History vi, 1273-1409

General History vii, 1409-1525

General History viii, 1500-1618

General History ix, 1600-1715

General History x, 1715-1799

General History xi, 1789-1871

General History xii, 1856-1914

General History xiii, 1914-1945

General History xiv, 1941-1973

General History xv, Britain's North American Colonies: from settlement to independence, 1600-1812

General History xvi, From Colonies to Nation: the history of the United States, 1776-1877

General History xvii, The History of the United States since 1863

General History xviii, Imperial and Global History 1750-1914

General History, periods I to IV

The following courses offer general introduction to western history during specific time periods. There are prerequisites for these courses and tutorials can generally be arranged for any of them in Hilary terms.

General History I. 370-900: The Transformation of the Ancient World

General History II. 1000-1300: Medieval Christendom and its Neighbors

General History III. 1400-1650: Renaissance, Recovery, and Reform

General History IV. 1815-1914: Society, Nation, and Empire

WIOX History of the British Isles (surveys)

The following courses offer general introductions to the History of the British Isles, paying particular attention to the evolution and development of Britain as a nation and to the major political, social, and economic trends that have shaped the course of the nation's development.

There are no prerequisites for these courses and while lectures are normally delivered in Michaelmas Term, tutorials can generally be arranged for any of them in Michaelmas and Trinity terms.

For a full list of courses see:

http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/PRELIMS_HBK_2008-9.pdf#page=21

<http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/HistoryoftheBritishIsles.htm>

I. c.300-1087

II. 1042-1330

III. 1330-1550

- IV. 1500-1700
- V. 1685-1830
- VI. 1815-1924
- VII. 1900 to the present

WIOX FHS Further Subjects, Periods I to IV

Offered in Hilary Term, these require attendance in classes as well as tutorials. Each is based on a large number of primary sources which must be read in advance over the Christmas holiday. In order to gain admission to these courses, students must register well in advance, by the end of first week of Michaelmas Term.

<http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/currentunder/honours/history/further/index.htm>

1. Anglo-Saxon Archaeology of the Early Christian Period. c600-750
2. The Near East in the Age of Justinian and Muhammad, 527-c.700
3. The Carolingian Renaissance
4. The Crusades
5. Culture and Society in Early Renaissance Italy, 1290-1348
6. Flanders and Italy in the Quattrocento, 1420-1480
7. The Wars of the Roses, 1450- 1500
8. Women, Gender and Print Culture in Reformation England, c. 1530-1640
9. Literature and Politics in Early Modern England
10. English Society in the Seventeenth Century
11. Society and Government in France, 1610-1715
12. The Metropolitan Crucible, London 1685-1815
13. The First Industrial Revolution, 1700-1870
14. Medicine, Empire and Improvement, 1720 to 1820
15. The Age of Jefferson, 1774-1826
16. Culture and Society in France from Voltaire to Balzac
17. Nationalism in Western Europe, 1799- 1890
18. Intellect and Culture in Victorian Britain
19. The Authority of nature: Race, Heredity and Crime, 1800-1940
20. Imperialism and Nationalism, 1830-1980
21. Modern Japan, 1868-1972
22. British Economic History since 1870 (as prescribed for the Honour School of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics)
23. Revolutionary Mexico, 1910-1940
24. Nationalism, Politics and Culture in Ireland, c1870-1921
25. A Comparative History of the First World War, 1914-20
26. China in War and Revolution, 1890-1949
27. The Soviet Union, 1924-1941
28. Culture, Politics and Identity in Cold War Europe, 1945-1968
29. Scholasticism and Humanism
30. The Science of Society, 1650-1800
31. Political Theory and Social Science

WIOX History (Ancient and Modern)

WIOX History and Economics

WIOX History and English

WIOX An Introduction to Literary Studies

WIOX History and Modern Languages

WIOX History and Politics

WIOX Introduction to Politics: Analysis of Democratic Institutions

WIOX History of Art

<http://www.hoa.ox.ac.uk/>

Visit the following website for a brief summary of the courses offered:

<http://www.hoa.ox.ac.uk/admissions/overview.htm>

WIOX Introduction to the History of Art

WIOX Antiquity after Antiquity

WIOX European Art, 1400-1800: Meaning and Interpretation

WIOX Objects, Images, and Buildings in Oxford

WIOX Approaches to the History of Art

WIOX Further Subjects in Art

Anglo-Saxon Archaeology of the Early Christian Period (History FS)
The Carolingian Renaissance (History FS)
Northern European Portraiture, 1400-1800
Culture and Society in Early Renaissance Italy, 1290-1348
Flanders and Italy in the Quattrocento, 1420-1480
Court Culture and Art in Early Modern Europe (History FS)
Intellect and Culture in Victorian Britain (History FS)

WIOX Classical, Pre-Modern or Non-Western Art Option

Greek Art and Archaeology, c.500-300 BC
Art Under the Roman Empire, AD 14-337
The Formation of the Islamic World, AD 550-950
Byzantine Art: The transition from Antiquity to the Middle Ages, 500-1100
Gothic Art through Medieval Eyes
Art in China since 1911
Material Culture and the Anthropology of Things
Egyptian Art and Architecture

WIOX Modern Art Option

Literature and the Visual Arts from Diderot to Zola
German Expressionism in Literature and the Visual Arts
European Cinema
Modernism and After
Material Culture and the Anthropology of Things
The Experience of Modernity: visual Culture, 1880-1925
Art in China since 1911

WIOX Special Subjects in Art History

Royal Art and Architecture in Norman Sicily, 1130-1194
Painting and Culture in Ming China
Politics, Art and Culture in the Italian Renaissance: Venice and Florence, c.1475-1525
English Architecture 1660-1720 (Tyack)
A study of the principal buildings of Wren, Hawksmoor, Jones and Vanburgh in relation to the contemporary historical background.
Prerequisites: ARH 101 and 102. Lectures: MT, HT. Tutorials: any term.
Art and its Public in France, 1815-67

WIOX Historiography and Methodologies of Art History

An overview of the development of the History of Art as a discipline. The course surveys influential projects of the field and the methods it has adopted for executing them. Topics include: style and periodization; iconography, semiotics; narratology, spectatorship; the social functions of images and the social history of art; art and the market; gender and sexuality; and art-historical narrative as representation. With permission of the Art Department, counts as ARTH 301.
Prerequisites: ARTH 101-102. Lectures: MT and HT, with permission. Tutorials: depending on availability, any term.

WIOX Human Sciences

WIOX The Biology of Organisms including Humans

WIOX Genetics and Evolution

WIOX Society, Culture, and Environment

WIOX Sociology and Demography

WIOX Quantitative Methods for the Human Sciences

WIOX Behaviour and its Evolution: Animal and Human

WIOX Human Genetics and Evolution

WIOX Human Ecology

WIOX Demography and Population

WIOX Anthropological Analysis and Interpretation

WIOX Sociological Theory

WIOX Law (Jurisprudence)

<http://www.law.ox.ac.uk/>

Please refer to the Undergraduate Student Handbook at <http://denning.law.ox.ac.uk/published/ughandbook.pdf> for a detailed introduction to the subject and courses.

WIOX Constitutional Law

WIOX Criminal Law
WIOX Medical Law
WIOX Jurisprudence
WIOX International Public Law
WIOX Contract
WIOX Tort
WIOX Land Law
WIOX European Community Law
WIOX Trusts
WIOX Administrative Law

WIOX Materials Science

WIOX I. Structure of Materials
WIOX II. Properties of Materials
WIOX III. Transforming Materials
WIOX Mathematics for Materials and Earth Science

WIOX Structures and Transformations
WIOX Electronic Properties of Materials
WIOX Mechanical Properties
WIOX Engineering Applications of Materials

WIOX Materials, Economics, and Management

WIOX Mathematics

<http://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/>

Please visit <http://www.maths.ox.ac.uk/courses/materials> for a full listing of undergraduate courses offered at Oxford. Moderation and Part A courses are most relevant.

WIOX Introduction to Groups, Rings and Fields

Algebra is the study of properties and characteristics of sets with one or two operations: groups, rings, and fields; investigation may lead to the insolvability of the classical construction problems or to the rudiments of Galois theory. Counts as Math 312 at Williams. Prerequisites: Math 209, 251, or Stat 201. Lectures: HT or TT (Mods) and Tutorials HT or TT.

WIOX Topology

Topology is the study of when one geometric object can be continuously deformed and shaped into another object; topics may be drawn from point-set, algebraic, or geometric topology, and from homotopy theory. Counts as Math 324.

Prerequisites: Math 301, 305, or 312. Lectures: First 2 weeks of MT (Part A: Analysis (topology of \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{R}^2), HT (Part A: Topology). Tutorials: HT.

WIOX Probability

Motivated by historical gaming questions, modern probability is concerned with random variables, distribution and expectation, laws of large numbers, and the Central Limit Theorem, with applications from classical and newer fields of study. Counts as Math 341.

Prerequisites: Math 211 or 251. Lectures: HT (part A: Probability). Tutorials: HT.

WIOX Number Theory

Analytic or algebraic number theory treats the integers and generalizations thereof with explorations of topics such as primes, divisibility, and congruence along with applications. Counts as Math 313.

Prerequisite: Math 211 or 251. Lectures: TT (Part A: Number Theory). Tutorials: TT.

WIOX Real Analysis I, II & III

The theory of calculus as applied in the calculus of variations to various topics which may include geodesics, harmonic functions, minimal surfaces, optimal economic strategies, and general relativity. Counts as Math 301.

Prerequisites: Math 105 and 211. Lectures: all three terms (mods). Tutorials: over two terms (MT-HT or HT-TT).

WIOX Algebra, Analysis and Differential Equations

WIOX Complex Analysis

The theory of functions of a complex variable. Topics include: Holomorphic functions, Cauchy-Reimann equations, Cauchy's Theorem, Path integration, Residue Theorem. Prerequisites: Math 301. Counts as Math 302. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: MT.

WIOX Mathematics and Computer Science

WIOX Mathematics and Philosophy

WIOX Philosophy of Mathematics

WIOX Mathematics and Statistics

WIOX Medical Sciences

WIOX Neuroscience

WIOX Molecular Medicine

WIOX Myocardial, Vascular and Respiratory Biology

WIOX Infection and Immunity

WIOX Signaling in Health and Disease

WIOX Modern Languages

<http://www.mod-langs.ox.ac.uk>

WIOX Language Papers

WIOX Linguistic Studies

WIOX Period of Literature or Period Topics

WIOX Early Texts

WIOX Modern Prescribed Authors

WIOX Early Modern Literary Texts

WIOX Special Subjects

WIOX General Linguistics

WIOX Modern Languages and Linguistics

WIOX Music

WIOX Topics in Music History before 1750

WIOX Topics in Music History after 1700

WIOX Techniques of Composition I

WIOX Techniques of Composition II

WIOX Musical Analysis and Criticism

WIOX Musical Thought and Scholarship

WIOX Orchestration

WIOX Music Theory ?

WIOX Oriental Studies

<http://www.orinst.ox.ac.uk/>

Courses offered by the Faculty of Oriental Studies include language, literature, history and culture, and there are a wide range of options in such fields as art and archaeology, history, literature, philosophy, religion and modern social studies. Some of these courses may require knowledge of the primary sources. It is imperative that students possess the requisite language skills before requesting any of these courses.

WIOX Arabic and Islamic Studies

Please visit the following link for a brief course outline on Islamic Studies: https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Islamic.pdf

Arabic

Persian

Turkish

Arabic Literature

Islamic History, 570-1500

Islamic Religion

Further Subjects:

Hadith

Early Islamic Monetary History

Classical Arabic literary texts

The Ethos of the jahiliya in the Muallaqa of Imru'ul-Qays

Early Islamic historiography

Early Islamic art and archaeology, 550-1250

Muslims and Christians in Sicily, 827-1246

The rise of the Sufi orders in the Islamic world, 1200-1500

Sufism

Ghazali, Munqidh

Ibn Tufayl, Hayy ibn Yaqzan

Ibn al-Arabi Fusus al-Hikam

Religion and politics during the Mongol period

Ottoman state and society, 1566-1700
History of the Middle East in the late Ottoman age, 1750-1882
A modern Islamic thinker (e.g., Sayyid Qutb, Mohamed Talbi, Rashid Rida)
Modern Arabic vernacular literature, 1900 to the present day
Society and Culture in the Modern Arab World
History of Jewish-Muslim Relations
Later Islamic art and architecture, 1250-1700

WIOX Chinese

Information on core courses offered can be found at https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Chinese.pdf

Modern Chinese prose composition
Spoken Chinese
Unprepared translation from Modern Chinese
Classical Chinese I
Classical Chinese II: Narrative Prose
Special Texts
Modern Chinese
History of Chinese in the 19th and 20th Centuries

WIOX Egyptology and Ancient Near Eastern Studies

WIOX Hebrew

Biblical and Rabbinic Hebrew
Medieval and Modern Hebrew

Please visit the following link for a guideline on undergraduate courses offered in Hebrew: https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Hebrew.pdf

WIOX Japanese

Japanese
Information on core courses offered can be found at https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Japanese.pdf

Japanese Prose Composition
Japanese unprepared translation I: classical and modern literature
Japanese unprepared translation II: modern non-fiction

Special Texts:

Classical Literature
Theatre
Modern Literature
Politics
Society and social history
Economics
Linguistics

Special Subjects:

Japanese art
Japanese history I: to 1185
Japanese history II: feudal Japan
Japanese history III: the emergence of modern Japan, 1868-1972
The government and politics of Japan
The intellectual history of the Tokugawa period
The history of modern Japanese literature to the end of the Tokugawa period
The history of modern Japanese literature from the beginning of the Meiji period
Modern Japanese economic history
The modern Japanese economy
Japanese theatre
Japanese linguistics

Korean is only offered as a minor at Oxford, as a subsidiary language to Chinese or Japanese majors. However, Williams students can choose from one of the three papers (courses) that are offered: Korean Language, Korean Text Reading and Korean History and Culture.

Korean History I: to 1392
Korean History II: 1392 to 1876
Korean History III: 1876 to the present

WIOX Jewish Studies

The following courses are offered under Jewish Studies and may require knowledge of biblical or modern Hebrew.

Biblical History
Biblical Archaeology
Biblical Narrative
Biblical Prophecy

Second Temple Judaism
Second Temple History
History of the Talmudic Period
Mediaeval Jewish History
Jewish Aramaic Literature

Haskalah
Modern Jewish Society
State of Israel
Modern Hebrew Literature
Yiddish Literature

History of Jewish-Christian Relations
History of Jewish-Muslim Relations
History of Jewish Bible Interpretation
Hebrew Texts for Jewish Studies

Biblical Religion
Mediaeval Jewish thought
Modern Jewish History
Modern Judaism

For more information, please read the Jewish Studies Handbook at: https://beta.weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/a55c44d3-9f21-4dec-b48c-2dc6fa4e4bee/Handbooks/Handbook_BA_Jewish_Studies.pdf

WIOX Persian

Persian prose composition and unprepared translation
Spoken Persian
Classical Poetry: Lyric Genres
Classical Poetry: Narrative Genres
Classical Prose
Modern Literature
Modern social and political writing

Persian History and Culture: General Questions
Iranian history from 1501 to 1722
Iranian history from the rise of the Qajars to the end of the Constitutional Revolution
Iranian history from 1921 to 1979
The development of Shi'ism up to the late 19th century
Modern Shi'ism

WIOX Turkish

Unprepared translation from Ottoman and modern Turkish
Translation into Turkish and essay in Turkish
Spoken Turkish
Ottoman historical texts
Turkish political and cultural texts, 1860 to the present
Modern Turkish literary texts
Turkish and Ottoman literary texts, 1300-1900
Turkish literature: general questions
Turkish language reform and language politics from 1850 to the present day
Islamic History, 570-1500
The Ottoman Empire, 1300-1566
The Ottoman Empire, 1566-1807
The Ottoman Empire and the Republic of Turkey

WIOX Additional Languages

Akkadian
Aramaic and Syriac
Armenian
Hindi

Old Iranian
Pali
Prakrit
Sanskrit
Tibetan

WIOX Philosophy

<http://www.philosophy.ox.ac.uk/>

The following link takes you to a complete listing of philosophy undergraduate courses:

http://www.philosophy.ox.ac.uk/undergraduate/course_descriptions

Apart from 150, 198, and 199, most of the other courses are potentially open to Williams students.

Although Lectures and Tutorials are given term designations, students need to go to the Philosophy Faculty website to insure that these have not been changed.

WIOX The History of Philosophy from Descartes to Kant

A consideration of the main philosophical ideas of the period, focusing in particular on the work of Descartes, Spinoza, Leibniz, Locke, Berkeley, Hume, and Kant.

No prerequisites. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Knowledge and Reality

Knowledge and justification; perception; memory; induction; other minds; a priori knowledge; necessity and possibility; reference; truth; facts and propositions; definition; existence; identity; substances, change, events; properties; causation; space; time; essence; realism and idealism; primary and secondary qualities.

No prerequisites. Some background in Philosophy in useful. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Ethics

Ethical concepts (obligation, goodness, virtue); objectivity and the explanation of value beliefs; moral psychology; freedom and responsibility; consequentialism and deontology; self-interest, prudence, and amorism; rights, justice, and equality; Kant; happiness, welfare, and a life worth living.

No prerequisites. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Philosophy of Mind

The nature of persons; the relation of mind and body; self-knowledge; knowledge of other persons; consciousness; perception; memory; imagination; thinking; belief; feeling and emotion; desire; action; subconscious and unconscious mental processes.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Philosophy of Science and Philosophy of Psychology and Neuroscience

A) The nature of theories; scientific observation and method; scientific explanation; the interpretation of laws and probability; rationality and scientific change; major schools of philosophy of science.

B) philosophical issues arising from the history and practice of psychology and neuroscience.

WIOX Philosophy of Science and Social Sciences

A) The nature of theories; scientific observation and method; scientific explanation; the interpretation of laws and probability; rationality and scientific change; major schools of philosophy of science. B) Social meaning; individualism; rationality; rational choice theory; the explanation of social action; prediction and explanation in economics; historical explanation; ideology.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT or TT.

WIOX Philosophy of Religion

An examination of claims about the existence of God, and God's relation to the world; their meaning, the possibility of their truth, and the kind of justification which can or needs to be provided for them; the philosophical problems raised by the existence of different religions.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Philosophy of Logic and Language

Topics will include meaning, truth, logical form, necessity, existence, entailment, proper and general names, pronouns, definite descriptions, intentional contexts, adjectives and nominalization, adverbs, metaphor, and pragmatics.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT or TT.

WIOX Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Criticism

The nature of aesthetic value; the definition of art; art, society, and morality; metaphor; criticism and interpretation; expression; pictorial representation. Focus on the principal authorities on the subject, including Plato, Aristotle, Hume, Kant.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT or TT.

WIOX Medieval Philosophy: Aquinas

WIOX Medieval Philosophy: Duns Scotus, Ockham

WIOX The Philosophy of Kant

WIOX Post-Kantian Philosophy

The main developments of philosophy in Continental Europe after Kant, excluding Marxism and analytical philosophy. Students choose to focus on one or more of the

following philosophers: Hegel, Schopenhauer, Nietzsche, Husserl, Heidegger, Sartre, Merleau-Ponty.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 101 or 102. Lectures: all three terms. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Theory of Politics

The critical study of political values and of the concepts used in political analysis: the concept of the political; power, authority, and related concepts; the state; law; liberty and rights; justice and equality; public interest and common good; democracy and representation; political obligation and civil disobedience; ideology; liberalism, socialism, and conservatism. Prerequisites: Philosophy 101. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Plato

WIOX Aristotle

WIOX Frege, Russell, and Wittgenstein

WIOX The Later Philosophy of Wittgenstein

WIOX Formal Logic

WIOX Intermediate Philosophy of Physics

WIOX Advanced Philosophy of Physics

WIOX Philosophy of Mathematics

WIOX Philosophy of Science

WIOX General Philosophy

WIOX Moral Philosophy

WIOX Philosophy and Modern Languages

WIOX Politics (PPE)

<http://www.politics.ox.ac.uk/>

For a complete list of courses (Papers) offered, please visit http://www.politics.ox.ac.uk/teaching/ug/reading_lists/

WIOX Comparative Government

Party and electoral systems; forms of government and the allocation of power between institutions; the political executive; the roles of legislatures; the structure and political power of bureaucracy; public policy-making; judicial review; regime transformation, civil-military relations; democratization.

Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX British Politics and Government Since 1900

British politics (including major domestic political crises, ideologies and political issues) and the evolution of the British political and constitutional system (including elections and the electoral system, political parties, parliament, the cabinet system, and machinery of government) in the twentieth century.

Lectures: all three terms. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Theory of Politics

The critical study of political values and of the concepts used in political analysis: the concept of the political; power, authority, and related concepts; the state; law; liberty and rights; justice and equality; public interest and common good; democracy and representation; political obligation and civil disobedience; ideology; liberalism, socialism, and conservatism. Prerequisites: Philosophy 101. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Modern British Government and Politics

The course aims to provide a specialist knowledge of contemporary British government and politics. It provides candidates with both an awareness of the most significant debates in the academic literature and of different methodological approaches to the subject and a thorough understanding of the issues and controversies surrounding the operation of British government. This involves the study of the UK electoral system, political parties and voting behaviour; of the organisation and political activities of the executive, legislature, judiciary and civil service; of the powers of Parliament and local government; of the devolution of power to regions of the UK; and of the political influence of the media and pressure groups. The interaction of these political institutions with the European Union is also studied. Current and recent proposals for reforming the constitution are a particular focus of attention. The course includes the examination of a wide range of primary documents, including parliamentary papers and government reports. It aims to provide candidates with the ability to retrieve and analyse official information and other primary documents and to place them in historical and political context. On completion of the course students will be familiar with the detailed workings of British governmental institutions, with decision-making processes in government and the evolution of strategies for managing the public sector, and with the political dynamics of the system.

Lectures: all three terms. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Government and Politics of the United States

The constitution; federalism and separation of powers; the presidency; congress; the federal courts; the federal bureaucracy; parties and the party system; electoral politics; mass media; interest groups; state and local politics; processes of policy formation and implementation; political culture.

WIOX Government and Politics in Western Europe

Comparative focus on governmental structures and political processes in at least three Western European nations, normally France, Germany, and Italy.

Lectures: MT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Politics in Europe

This paper is a comparative study of the national party and institutional systems of Europe, and of comparative issues in European politics, including democratization, institutional relations political economy and party politics.

WIOX Russian Government and Politics

The government and politics of the Soviet Union (especially 1953-1991) and of post-Soviet Russia, focusing on the changing relationships between political institutions and on the process of political transformation. Topics include: political leadership; ideology and political culture; the national question and federalism; the relationship between economic and political power.

Lectures: HT and TT. Tutorials: HT and TT.

WIOX Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa

Students will learn about the politics of the countries of Sub-Saharan Africa with respect to their political institutions, political sociology, and political economy. The following topics may be considered: nationalism; forms of government, civilian and military; parties and elections; conditions for democracy; class, ethnicity, religion, and gender; business, labour and peasantry; structural adjustment and agricultural policies; the influence of external agencies.

WIOX Politics in Latin America

Students will learn about politics in Latin America; the structure of government of the major states of the area; their political sociology and political economy. The following topics may be considered: presidential systems; the role of congress; public administration; party and electoral systems; the politics of major groups such as the military, trade unions and business groups, and the churches; political ideologies; political movements; the politics of economic stabilization; the politics of gender; theories of regime breakdown, and of democratic transition and consolidation; the influence of external factors.

WIOX Politics in South Asia

Students will learn about political developments in South Asian countries since their independence, with regard to their political institutions, political sociology, and political economy. The following topics may be considered: the nature of the state; government and political institutions; party and electoral systems; politics in the provinces or states of a federation; the evolution of political ideologies; the politics of gender, caste, religion, language, ethnic regionalism, and national integration; the political economy of development, social change, and class relations; 'New' social movements and Left politics; regional conflicts in South Asia and the influence of external factors on South Asian politics. South Asia is taken to include India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh.

WIOX Politics in the Middle East

Students will learn about political developments in South Asian countries since their independence, with regard to their political institutions, political sociology, and political economy. Topics to be considered may include the emergence of the state system in the modern Middle East; the influence of colonialism and nationalism in its development; the military in state and politics; party systems and the growth of democratic politics; the politics of religion; women in the political sphere; the influence of major inter-state conflicts and external factors on internal politics. The Middle East is taken to comprise Iran, Israel, Turkey, and the Arab States.

WIOX International Relations in the Era of the Two World Wars

The relations between the major powers; the 20th century origins of the First World War and the origins of the Second World War; war aims, strategies, and peace-making; the disintegration of war-time alliances; the League of Nations and the establishment of the United Nations; the impact of major political movements (Communism, Fascism, nationalism) on international society; monetary and economic developments as they affected international politics.

Lectures are usually in MT and HT.

WIOX International Relations in the Era of the Cold War

The relations among the major powers, 1945-91, including domestic and external factors shaping foreign policy: the origins and course of the Cold War, including détente and the end of the Cold War; East-West relations in Europe with particular reference to the foreign policies of France and the Federal Republic of Germany; European integration; the external relations of China and Japan, especially with the USA and USSR; decolonization; conflict in the developing world.

Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX International Relations

The primary topics will be: the competing approaches to the study of international relations; the principal institutions of international relations; contemporary patterns of war and peace; globalization. Other topics will include: law and norms, order, self-determination, security, war and conflict resolution, foreign-policy analysis, international political economy, regional integration, and international institutions.

Lectures: all terms. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Political Thought: Plato to Rousseau

A critical study of the classical political theorists, including Plato, Aristotle, Aquinas, Machiavelli, Hobbes, Locke, Montesquieu, Rousseau, and Hume.

Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Political Thought: Bentham to Weber

A critical study of modern social and political theorists, including Bentham, Mill, Hegel, Saint-Simon, Tocqueville, Marx, Weber, and Durkheim.

Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Marx and Marxism

The study of the ideas of Marx and Engels, of later Marxists and the critics of Marxism. Students will be expected to study Marxism as an explanatory theory, and also

to examine its political consequences.

WIOX Sociological Theory

Theoretical perspectives including rational choice; evolutionary psychology; interpersonal interaction; social integration and networks; functionalism. Substantive problems including stratification; gender; race and ethnicity; collective action; norms; ideology.

WIOX The Sociology of Industrial Societies

Candidates will be expected to show knowledge of the following aspects of the social structure of urban-industrial societies: occupation and economic structure; social stratification and mobility; education and the family; the social significance of gender and ethnicity; the social structure of religion; the social context of politics and the impact on society of the state. Candidates must have knowledge of modern Britain and at least one other industrial society, and of the main general theories of industrial society.

Lectures: MT, HT. Tutorials: MT, HT, TT.

WIOX Political Sociology

In this Final Honour School subject students will study in more detail the major theoretical approaches to social class, race and ethnicity, gender, religion, nationality, states, interest groups including unions, parties, movements and single issue campaigns, and the interrelationships between culture, economy, social structure, and political processes and institutions. The theoretical approaches will be critically assessed in the light of empirical evidence from a range of countries, and also put in the context of the philosophically rigorous analysis of power and change. To aid students in attaining a comprehensive grasp of the field of study, they will have the opportunity to look at 'approaches' such as structuralism, rational choice theory, political culture theory, and the historical and comparative perspective as such, as well as studying the application of these to the specific topics mentioned. Thus by the end of the course students should have an understanding of recent sociological explanations of political processes and events, a grasp of the competing approaches in the field, an understanding of the main methods of data collection and analysis, and an appreciation of the role of models and theories in sociological knowledge.

WIOX British Society in the Twentieth Century

The course aims to introduce undergraduates to issues and controversies in modern British social history and to the types of evidence and modes of analysis employed by social historians. Candidates have some freedom to select themes for study but they must familiarise themselves with the main features of social change - for example, in demography, class structure, gender, living standards and urban and rural development. They must also acquire a critical knowledge of the recommended documents that have a bearing on their chosen topics. By the end of the course they should be able to give their own account of patterns and processes of social change, making use of primary sources and taking an informed view on controversial questions. The course is administered by the Faculty of History.

WIOX Labour Economics and Industrial Relations

WIOX The Government and Politics of Japan

This course provides a study of one of the very few nations outside the Western world whose politics appears to be stably based on democratic principles and a democratic constitution. It introduces students to Japanese political history since 1945 and the social context of Japanese institutions and policy-making, enabling them to understand the vicissitudes of Japanese experience in the last twenty years: from the 1980s, when Japanese exports were seen as threateningly ultra-competitive in Europe, North America and elsewhere, through the more difficult 1990s and 2000s which have precipitated a concentrated debate on "restructuring" both of the economy and of the political system. The course covers the constitutional framework and structure of government; parliamentary and local politics; the electoral and party systems; the role of corporate interests and pressure groups; the bureaucracy; foreign policy. It aims to provide an understanding of the major debates on the nature of Japanese liberal democracy, and to some of the main interpretive models: "bureaucratic polity", "developmental state", "irontriangle dominance by bureaucrats, business leaders and politicians", "patterned pluralism" etc. The underlying principle of the course is that Japanese politics is just as capable of being understood empirically as is any other political system, so long as preconceptions are not allowed to get in the way of understanding. No previous knowledge of Japan is required.

WIOX Social Policy

The course enables students to develop a critical understanding of welfare states, different approaches to social policy, and definitions and explanations of problems such as poverty, deprivation, and social exclusion. It permits students to draw on different perspectives in their previous study of, for example, public economics or political theory. Students are expected to read widely in the empirical research literature on policy formulation and implementation and to make themselves familiar with current statistics and reports. The course encourages students to engage with both theoretical principles and empirical evidence across a range of issues and policy areas such as: the development and problems of welfare states; voluntary effort and the informal sector; the mixed economy of welfare; citizenship, rights, markets and welfare; the impact of demography on social policy; poverty, inequality, deprivation and social exclusion; urban policy and inner cities; underclass and welfare dependency; income maintenance; family policy; health policy; housing policy and homelessness; education policy; ageing societies. Principles, concepts and institutions are analysed on a cross-national basis. Where specific policy areas are examined, the focus is on contemporary Britain. However, the policies of EU member states and other countries are considered when these have a bearing on British arrangements.

WIOX Comparative Demographic Systems

WIOX Quantitative Methods in Politics and Sociology

Students will be expected to develop an understanding of applications of quantitative methods in politics and sociology including the following: the principles of research design in social science: data collection, the logic of causal inference, and comparative method; major statistical methods and concepts: types of random variables, independence, correlation and association, sampling theory, hypothesis testing, linear and non-linear regression models, event-history analysis, and time-series. Candidates will also be expected to interpret information and show familiarity with major methodological debates in Politics and Sociology.

WIOX Politics in China

This course will enable students to acquire a knowledge and understanding of the recent history and contemporary politics of China. China has been in transition from the long rule of Mao Zedong since 1978, and its politics and society have transformed radically during that period. Students will gain an understanding of the Chinese Communist party (the most powerful Communist party left in the world), looking at its historical background before analysing its current strategy to remain in control of China in the post-Cold War era. The reform era under Deng Xiaoping and Jiang Zemin will be analysed through a variety of themes, including elite politics and the

Tian'anmen crisis of 1989, rural reforms, urban culture, and gender. China's new status as a regional power in international relations will also be examined, as well as its relations with Taiwan and Hong Kong, two very different Chinese societies. This course will allow students to develop a strong knowledge of one of the world's most important countries, and could serve as stimulation for further work in and about China in journalism, business, government, NGOs and academic research. Please note that demand sometimes outstrips teaching supply on this paper.

WIOX The Politics of the European Union

The history and development of the institutions of European integration since the 1950s; the structure and power of the Council, the Commission, and the Parliament; growth and expansion into Eastern Europe; monetary integration and the advent of the Euro; future prospects.

Tutorials: any term.

WIOX Philosophy and Theology

WIOX The Gospels and Jesus

WIOX God, Christ, and Salvation

WIOX The Development of Doctrine in the Early Church to 451

WIOX Christian Moral Reasoning

WIOX Physics and Astrophysics

<http://www.physics.ox.ac.uk/>

<http://www-astro.physics.ox.ac.uk/>

Students can access the list of courses at http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate_courses/courses/physics.html

WIOX Thermal Physics

The course includes statistical methods and probability distributions, the Boltzmann distribution, the Maxwell-Boltzmann velocity distribution function, molecular effusion, collision times and transport processes (viscosity, thermal conductivity and self-diffusion), the laws of thermodynamics, energy, entropy, equations of state, thermodynamic potentials, chemical potential and phase changes.

Prerequisites: Physics 210.

WIOX Electromagnetism and Optics

Similar to the counterpart at Williams, we study electromagnetic phenomena and their mathematical description. Topics include electrostatics, magnetic fields, electromagnetic induction, DC and AC circuits, electromagnetic properties of matter, mutual inductance and the transformer, Maxwell's equations, displacement current and electromagnetic waves in vacuum.

Prerequisites: Physics 201. Recommended Physics 202.

WIOX Quantum Physics

Synopsis of the course: Amplitudes, quantum states, the energy representation, Operators and observables, The TDSE, the position representation, Particle dynamics, Two slits revisited, extensions to three dimensions, composite systems, Harmonic oscillator: the stationary states, Dynamics of oscillators, Motion in a magnetic field, Transformations and observables: transformations of kets, Transformations and observables: transformations of operators, Symmetries & conservation laws, geometry and commutators, The square well, A pair of square wells, ammonia maser, Reflection by a square well or barrier, tunneling, Eigen values of J_z and J^2 , spectra of diatomic molecules, Orbital angular momentum, generation of circular translations, tangential KE, Eigenvalues of L_z and L^2 , The 3d harmonic oscillator (time permitting), Spin, Addition of angular momentum, Gross structure of hydrogen, Spare

Prerequisites: Physics 141 and Physics 210. Recommended: Physics 142 and Physics 201.

WIOX Atomic Structure, Special Relativity, and sub-Atomic Physics

WIOX Condensed Matter Physics and Photonics

WIOX Astrophysics and Atmospheric Physics

WIOX Mathematical Physics

WIOX Astrophysics

WIOX Laser Science and Quantum Information Processing

WIOX Condensed Matter Physics

WIOX Particle Physics

WIOX Physics of Atmospheres and Oceans

WIOX Theoretical Physics

WIOX Biological Physics

WIOX Stellar Structure and Cosmology

WIOX Physics and Philosophy

WIOX Physiological Sciences

WIOX Physiology and Pharmacology of the Systems of the Body

WIOX Neuroscience

WIOX Biochemistry and Cell Biology

WIOX Psychology, Philosophy, and Physiology

<http://www.psy.ox.ac.uk/>

The list of courses usually pursued by Oxford students can be found at http://www.psy.ox.ac.uk/undergrad/coursestructure_PPP and http://www.psy.ox.ac.uk/undergrad/coursestructure_EP.

WIOX Introduction to Psychology

Methods and Topics in: individual differences; social behaviour; animal behaviour; the neural basis of behaviour; perception; learning; memory; language; cognition; skills; abnormal behaviour

WIOX Developmental Psychology

Psychological development: the biological and physiological, environmental and hereditary influences which affect development in humans; evidence from comparative studies; development of intelligence and personality; sex differences; developmental aspects of perceptual and cognitive processes.

Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: MT and TT. Tutorials: TT recommended.

WIOX Social Psychology

The biological and cultural background to social behavior; comparison of animal and human social behavior; communication and social interaction; behavior in organizations; social relationships and exchange processes; cognitive social psychology.

Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: MT. Tutorials: MT recommended.

WIOX Individual Differences

Origins and development of differences in human abilities, personalities, and attributes; their analysis, measurement, and understanding.

Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: MT and HT. Tutorials: HT recommended.

WIOX Psychological Disorders

The "abnormal" nature of abnormal behavior; theories and classifications of abnormal behavior; causes and treatment.

Prerequisite: Psychology 101. Lectures: HT. Tutorials: HT recommended.

WIOX Brain and Behaviour

WIOX Language and Cognition

WIOX Multisensory Perception

WIOX Psychology of Religion

WIOX Cognitive Neuroscience

WIOX Behavioural Neuroscience

WIOX Human Experimental Psychology:

WIOX Perception, Attention, and Information Processing;

WIOX Language and Cognition

WIOX Experimental Design and Statistics

WIOX Theology

<http://www.theology.ox.ac.uk/>

A full list of lecture courses can be found at <http://resources.theology.ox.ac.uk/lecseries.phtml>

WIOX God and Israel in the Old Testament

WIOX Jesus and the Gospels

WIOX Pauline Literature

WIOX The Development of Doctrine in the Early Church to AD 451

WIOX God, Christ, and Salvation

WIOX Luke-Acts

WIOX History and Theology of Western Christianity, 1040-1350

WIOX History and Theology of Western Christianity, 1500-1619

WIOX Christian Life and Thought in Europe and the English-Speaking World, 1789-1921

WIOX Issues in Theology, 1789-1921

WIOX Philosophy of Religion

WIOX Christian Moral Reasoning

WIOX The Nature of Religion

WIOX The Formation of Rabbinic Judaism

WIOX Judaism in History and Society

WIOX The Classical Period of Islam

WIOX Islam in the Modern World

WIOX Early Buddhist Doctrine and Practice

WIOX Buddhism in History and Society

WIOX Brahminism

WIOX Bhakti

WIOX Old Testament Prophecy and Apocalyptic

WIOX Old Testament Wisdom and Liturgy

WIOX The Hebrew of the Old Testament
WIOX Archaeology in Relation to the Old Testament
WIOX Religions and Mythology in the Ancient Near East
WIOX Hebrews to Revelation
WIOX The New Testament in Greek
WIOX Varieties of Judaism, 100 BC - AD 100
WIOX The Beginnings of the Church and Its Institutions to AD 170
WIOX Christian Liturgy
WIOX Early Syriac Christianity
WIOX History and Theology of the Church in the Byzantine Empire from AS 100 to AD 1453
WIOX Science and Religion
WIOX Christian Spirituality
WIOX The Sociology of Religion
WIOX Psychology of Religion
WIOX The Bible: Its Use and Influence
WIOX English Church and Mission, 597-754

WIOX The Christian Doctrine of Creation
WIOX The History of the Church from Nero to Constantine
WIOX Introduction to the Study of Religions
WIOX Aquinas
WIOX Augustine
WIOX Christology from Kant to Troeltsch, 1789-1914

WIOX Theology and Oriental Studies

WIOX Buddhism
WIOX Eastern Christianity
WIOX Hinduism
WIOX Islam
WIOX Judaism

NON-CREDIT FOREIGN LANGUAGE STUDY

In addition to their regular tutorial courses, students may begin or continue the study of a wide range of foreign languages on a non-credit basis through a variety of arrangements available through the University as well as a number of other educational and cultural institutions in the city of Oxford. The Programme normally subsidizes such study.

STUDENT LIFE

By virtue of the fact that, while in Oxford, they are officially Visiting Students at the University and full members of Exeter College-Williams students are offered every opportunity to become fully integrated into student life in Oxford. Both Exeter College and Oxford University are home to an exceptional variety of sports clubs, debating societies, interest groups, cultural organizations, and social activities, virtually all of which are available to Visiting Student members of the University. Students are encouraged to participate fully in the social life of Exeter College—to dine in Hall as often as they wish, to frequent the College bar, to use the College's athletic facilities, and to become members of the various College clubs and organizations. Furthermore, Williams students also have access to the University's athletic events, concerts, theatrical productions, museums, and libraries. All Williams students in Oxford are encouraged to join the Oxford Union, which, in addition to its debating activities and club rooms, possesses dining facilities and the largest lending library in the University.

At the Ephraim Williams House, all Williams students are housed in large double rooms and enjoy full access to the House's library, common rooms, laundry facilities, computer lab, and a large dining room, in which a weekly catered meal is served during the eight weeks of term. There are also a number of small kitchens in the House which students may use. The entire facility has high-speed wireless internet access. Bedrooms are hard wired for high-speed internet access and are fully equipped with furnishings, bed linens, and a telephone. The grounds include a courtyard, sheltered bike racks, barbecue facilities, and gardens. A number of student jobs are available during the academic year for students who wish to earn a little spending money by helping to maintain the facilities and organize Programme activities. Ephraim Williams House is a short bike or bus ride (or a twenty-minute walk) from Exeter College and the center of town, and is within easy walking distance of the University parks and the local shops, restaurants and banks of Summertown. The Programme will partially subsidize student bus passes to facilitate travel around Oxford.

Before the academic year begins—on Thursday, 27 September 2012—ten days of orientation activities are scheduled. Students are expected to be in residence for all of these many activities, some of which take place in Ephraim Williams House, others at Exeter College. At this time students will become acquainted with the workings of the Programme, of Exeter College, and of the University, and will be familiarized with the rules and regulations they are expected to abide by during their residence in Oxford.

Throughout the academic year, provision will be made for trips to a few of sites of historical, cultural, or political interest. In the past these have included the Cotswolds, Salisbury, Stratford, Stonehenge, Bath, Wells, Warwick Castle, Blenheim Palace, and various sites of interest in London. Students will also be given the opportunity to attend a number of theatrical productions and other cultural events. Oxford's proximity to London gives students ready access to that city's multiple attractions and many resources. The Oxford-London train service is frequent and the journey takes just over an hour. The buses to London run even more regularly (and are generally cheaper), and the one-way journey takes about ninety minutes.

During the summer before students arrive in Oxford, they will receive a copy of the latest edition of *Ephs Among the Dreaming Spires*, which will further explain the perks, policies, and procedures of the Programme, the rules and regulations they are expected to follow, and tips for how best to enjoy a fulfilling year in and around Oxford.

ILLNESS AND INSURANCE

Students must ensure they are covered either by the Williams College health insurance policy or by some other comprehensive health insurance plan (generally a family health insurance policy). While in Britain, students will be covered by the National Health Service (NHS) for routine visits at the Group Medical Practice used by Exeter College and for emergency hospital treatment. The programme also works with a physician in private practice attached to a local private hospital. Prescription drugs are available through the NHS for a nominal fee. There are limited outpatient psychological counseling services available through the NHS and the Programme, although, as Visiting Students at the University, Williams students are entitled to make use of the University Counseling Centre. Any extensive or long-term counseling, however, would need to be covered by the student's personal health insurance policy. Finally, students are not likely to be covered under the NHS for medical services received in foreign countries, especially those countries that do not enjoy membership of the European Union.

FEES

The tuition and room fees paid by students on the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford are the same as those for a year spent in residence at Williams. Students are responsible for some of their own meals and for all of their personal expenses. They are also responsible for arranging and funding the cost of their air travel to and from Britain, although they may select to take the group flight to London arranged by the Programme at competitive rates. They are provided with three meals a day for the first four or five days in Oxford and with a weekly catered meal in Ephraim Williams House during the eight weeks of term. They may also eat breakfast, lunch, and/or dinner on any day of the week at Exeter. Students will not be charged the full Williams board fee during their year in Oxford, but they will pay a proportion of the board fee to help cover these costs. For planning purposes, students and their parents should expect the cost of a year on the Programme to be roughly the same as a year at Williams. Financial aid eligibility will be figured on the usual basis of tuition, fees, room, board, and personal and book expenses, as if the student were at Williams for the year. Similarly, the normal self-help contribution would be expected. Since the academic year ends later at Oxford than at Williams, the summer earning expectations for students for the following year will be reduced by one half and the difference will be made up by additional Williams aid.

APPLICATION

Admission to the Programme is on a competitive but flexible basis. Students must apply to the Dean's Office by the prescribed deadline (normally early in February) and, prior to applying, should consult with the chair of their major department. Any questions students might have about curricular offerings at Oxford can also be raised with the director of the Programme in Oxford. In addition to completing the formal application form, students can expect to be interviewed at Williams and will subsequently need to complete an application for Visiting Student status at Oxford University. All admissions to the Programme are subject to approval by Exeter College. Students can expect to be notified of acceptance before Spring Break. It is normally expected that they will have completed the College's distribution requirement by the end of their sophomore year. In making its decisions, the Admissions Committee of the Williams-Exeter Programme at Oxford University takes student GPA into account, with a minimum GPA requirement of 3.0, expects all applicants to have demonstrated capacity for rigorous independent work and extensive essay writing, and looks favorably on those students whose intellectual maturity, curiosity and enthusiasm would best prepare them for a demanding course of study in Oxford. All applicants must identify two Williams faculty members who are willing to provide references. Because of the emphasis at Oxford on weekly written work for each tutorial course, at least one of those faculty members should be able to offer an assessment of the applicant's writing ability.