

## How to Make Preliminary Tutorial Choices for your WEPO Application

There is an incredibly wide range of subjects available for study and identifying the five or six tutorials you would like to pursue can be a tremendous challenge. When making these choices, you should think about your academic requirements and talk to your academic/major advisors. You should also consider taking advantage of unique subject areas of interest to you that are not available at Williams.

Below, is a list of tutorials that Williams students have taken over the past few years. ***This is not by any means a comprehensive list.*** It is merely a starting point, and a way to get some ideas without wading through the enormous *Examination Regulations Handbook* or searching for options online. At the end of this list are instructions for how to explore more broadly for other options on the Oxford University website. There are many topics not listed here that may be available. At the same time, the inclusion of a topic in this list in no way guarantees that it will be available in any given term, or even in a given year.

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### **Archaeology & Anthropology**

Anthropology of West Africa  
Cultural Representations, Beliefs, Practices  
Human Geography  
Modern Egypt  
Archaeology of Anglo-Saxon England, c. 600-750  
Farming and Early States in Sub-Saharan Africa

Latin Historical Linguistics  
Lucretius  
Ovid  
Plautus  
Roman History 46 B.C. to A.D. 54  
Satire  
Epic  
Tragedy

### **Biochemistry (typically without labs)**

Biochemistry

### **Computer Science**

Imperative Programming  
Design & Analysis of Algorithms  
Computational Linguistics  
Models of Computation  
Algorithms and Data Structure

### **Bio Informatics**

### **Biology (typically without labs)**

Cancer Immunology  
Developmental & Stem Cell Biology  
Ecology  
Human Genetics  
Immunology

### **Economics (arranged through Economics)**

British Economic History Since 1870  
Command & Transitional Economies  
Econometrics  
Economics of Developing Countries  
Economics of Industry  
International Economics  
Macroeconomics  
Microeconomics  
Money & Banking

### **Chemistry (typically without labs)**

Inorganic Chemistry  
Organic Chemistry

### **Classics**

Homer's Iliad  
Horace

Public Economics

## **English**

20<sup>th</sup> Century Novel

Critical Theory and the History of Criticism

History, Theory, and Use of the English  
Language

English Literature, c. 650-1350 (Medieval)

English Literature, 1350-1550

English Literature, 1550-1660

English Literature, 1660-1760

English Literature, 1760-1830

English Literature, 1830-1910 (Victorian)

English Literature, 1900-present (Modern)

English Literature, Postcolonial Literature

Chaucer

Charles Dickens

Emily Dickinson

George Eliot

Jane Austen

James Joyce

John Milton

Virginia Woolf

Shakespeare

## **Geography**

Human Geography

## **History (see attached “Doing History at Oxford”)**

History of the British Isles (broken into 7 time periods starting with 300-1087 and ending with 1900-present – see Undergraduate History website)

General History (broken into 19 time periods starting with 284-476 and ending with 1941-1973 – see Undergraduate History website)

Historiography

Crime and Punishment in England, c. 1280-1400

Conquest and Colonization: Spain and America in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century

The Rise and Crises of European Socialisms, 1883-1921

Radicalism in Britain, 1965-1975

The Near East in the Age of Justinian & Muhammad, c. 527-700

War of the Roses, 1450-1500

The Crusades

The Carolingian Renaissance

The Metropolitan Crucible, London 1685-1815

The Age of Jefferson, 1774-1826

Intellect and Culture in Victorian Britain

Culture, Politics and Identity in Cold War Europe, 1945-1968

The Military and Society in Britain and France, 1650-1815

Spread of Islam 7<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Centuries

The Ottoman Empire from Medieval to Modern

## **History of Art**

Methodologies

Experience of Modernity

Politics, Culture, and Art in Renaissance Italy – Venice and Florence

Formation of the Islamic World

## **Law**

Constitutional Law

Criminal Law

International Public Law

Jurisprudence

Medical Law and Ethics

## **Mathematics**

Abstract Algebra

Algebraic Number Theory

Analytic Number Theory

Applied Probability

Complex Analysis

Differential Equations

Galois Theory  
Integral Transforms  
Intro to Groups, Rings, and Fields  
Logic  
Mathematical Models of Financial Derivatives  
Networks  
Number Theory  
Probability  
Real Analysis  
Representation Theory  
Topology/Topology of Groups

### **Philosophy**

Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Criticism  
Aristotle's Nicomachean Ethics  
Bounds of Rationality  
Ethics  
Frege, Russell, and Wittgenstein  
Heidegger  
Kant  
Knowledge & Reality  
Later Philosophy of Wittgenstein  
Nietzsche  
Philosophy of Cognitive Science  
Philosophy of Logic and Language  
Philosophy of Mind  
Philosophy of Religion  
Post-Kantian Philosophy

### **Politics**

British Politics and Government since 1990  
Comparative Government  
International Relations  
International Relations in the Era of the Cold War  
International Relations in the Era of the Two World Wars  
Modern British Politics

### **Looking for other options?**

Political Sociology  
Political Thought, Bentham to Weber  
Political Thought, Plato to Rousseau  
Politics in Latin America  
Politics in the Middle East  
Politics of Modern China  
Social Policy  
Theory of Politics

### **Psychology**

Cognitive Neuroscience  
Developmental Psychology  
Education and Psychology  
Emotion, Appraisal, and Feedback  
Individual Differences  
Neuroscience  
Language and Cognition  
Psychological Disorders  
Psychology of Religion  
Social Psychology

### **Sociology**

Political Sociology  
Sociological Theory  
Sociology of Industrial Societies  
Sociology of Post-Industrial Societies

### **Studio Art**

Anatomical Drawing

### **Theology**

Aquinas  
Augustine  
Christian Moral Reasoning  
God, Christ, and Salvation  
Introduction to the Study of Religions  
Jesus and the Gospels

Check out the Oxford University website. Start here:  
<https://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate/courses-listing?wssl=1>

In this context, “course” refers to a course of study. Oxford students typically spend their entire 3 years as undergraduates studying one “course” (e.g., Economics; Politics; English). When you click on a “course” you should be able to find out about some of the standard “papers” (aka tutorial topics) that are available.

Keep in mind that not all tutorials are available in any given term, or even in any given year. Feel free to list your preferences, but remember that you may need to be flexible if a particular tutorial cannot be arranged.

### **Doing History at Oxford**

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Identifying potential tutorials in history requires advanced planning. You may choose from Preliminary Examination courses (typically taken by first-year history students) and Final Honour School (FHS) courses (typically for second- and third-year students). For details about any of these courses, navigate to: <http://www.history.ox.ac.uk/prospective/undergraduate/studying/single-hons.html>

Note that Special Subject Papers are **not** available to Williams students.

You may want to consider the special tutorials of our Boskey Fellow, Christopher Markiewicz. See his course descriptions for further details.

#### **MICHAELMAS:**

**Prelims:** *British History Periods I–VII*

**FHS:** *British History Periods I–VII; General History Periods i–xix*

Should you wish to take these tutorials, you need to tell the Director by **early April**. However, once you commit to one of these courses there is no backing out. Note that Special Subjects Papers are not available to Williams students.

#### **HILARY:**

**Prelims:** *General History Periods I–IV*

**FHS:** *Further Subjects Nos. 1–35 (see reverse)*. These courses require attending seminar classes and tutorials and are based on primary sources, which are normally to be read over the Winter holiday. Many students have found these courses very rewarding.

The deadline for registering for Prelim papers is **Week 3** of MT. The deadline for FHS papers is **Week 0** of MT. Again, once you commit to HT courses you are committed to the course.

#### **TRINITY:**

**Prelims:** *Optional Subjects, Nos. 1–16 (see reverse)*

**FHS:** *British History Periods I–VII and General History Periods i–xix*

If you want to take one of these paper options in Optional Subjects, British History, or General History, you must let the Director know by **Week 3** of Hilary term and, again, once you do, you're committed.

#### **FINAL HONOURS SCHOOL “FURTHER SUBJECTS/SPECIAL SUBJECTS”**

1. Anglo-Saxon Archaeology c. 600–750: Society and Economy in the Early Christian Period
2. The Near East in the Age of Justinian and Muhammad, 527–c.700

3. The Carolingian Renaissance
4. The Viking Age: War and Peace c. 750–1100
5. The Crusades
6. Culture and Society in Early Renaissance Italy, 1290–1348
7. Flanders and Italy in the Quattrocento, 1420–1480
8. The Wars of the Roses, 1450– 1500
9. Women, Gender and Print Culture in Reformation England, c. 1530-1640
10. Literature and Politics in Early Modern England
11. Representing the City, 1558-1640
12. Writing in the Early Modern Period, 1550-1750 (New Subject)
13. Court Culture and Art in Early Modern Europe, 1580–1700
14. The Military and Society in Britain and France, c.1650-1815
15. The Metropolitan Crucible, London 1685-1815
16. The First Industrial Revolution, 1700–1870 (suspended in 2013-14)
17. Medicine, Empire and Improvement, 1720 to 1820
18. The Age of Jefferson, 1774–1826
19. Culture and Society in France from Voltaire to Balzac
20. Nationalism in Western Europe, 1799-1890
21. Intellect and Culture in Victorian Britain
22. The Authority of nature: Race, Heredity and Crime, 1800-1940
23. The Middle East in the Age of Empire, 1830-1971
24. Imperialism and Nationalism, 1830–1980 ((a) South Asia, (b) Sub-Saharan Africa, (c) Britain’s settler colonies, (d) Maritime South-east Asia (e) Slavery Themes in the History of Slavery and Abolition)
25. Modern Japan, 1868–1972 (suspended in 2013-14)
26. British Economic History since 1870 (as prescribed for the Honour School of Philosophy, Politics and Economics) – register through Economics
27. Nationalism, Politics and Culture in Ireland, c.1870–1921
28. A Comparative History of the First World War, 1914–1920
29. China since 1900
30. The Soviet Union, 1924–1941
31. Culture, Politics and Identity in Cold War Europe, 1945–1968
32. Britain at the Movies: Film and National Identity since 1914
33. Scholastic and Humanist Political Thought
34. The Science of Society, 1650–1800
35. Political Theory and Social Science c.1780-1920
36. Post-Colonial Historiography: Writing the Indian Nation

### **PRELIMS: Optional Subjects**

1. Theories of the State
2. The Age of Bede
3. Early Gothic France
4. Conquest and Frontiers: England and the Celtic People
5. English Chivalry and the French War
6. Crime and Punishment in England
7. Nature and Art in Renaissance
8. Witch-craft and witch-hunting in early modern Europe
9. Making England Protestant
10. Conquest and Colonization: Spain and America in the 16<sup>th</sup> Century

11. Revolution and Empire in France
12. Women, Gender and the Nation: Britain
13. The Romance of the People: the Folk Revival
14. Haiti and Louisiana: the Problem of Revolution in the Age of Slavery
15. The Rise and Crises of European Socialisms
16. Radicalism in Britain