

Politics and International Relations Postgraduate Courses for 2017/2018

The Department of Politics and International Relations at Royal Holloway is happy to announce the postgraduate courses which will be available to our students in the next academic year.

Core methods units for all streams (students must take at least one from the following courses)

Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods in Politics and International Relations

Introduction to Qualitative Methods in Politics and International Relations

Core program units open only to students enrolled in the related programme

Analysing International Politics (core course unit for the MSc International Relations and the MSc International Public Policy)

Transnational Security Studies (core course unit for the MSc International Security)

Media, Power and Public Affairs (core course unit for the MSc Media, Power and Public Affairs)

Options available to students of all programs

Analysing public opinion (core stream option for the MSc Elections, Campaigns and Democracy)

China in the World (core stream option for the MA Politics of Development)

Development Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa (core stream option for the MA Politics of Development)

Elections and Campaigning (core course unit for the MSc Elections, Campaigns and Democracy)

European Union Politics and Policy

European Union Budget, Revenue and Spending

Fieldwork methods (core course unit for the MA Politics of Development)

Human Rights: From Theory to Practice

Identity, Power and Radical Theory

International Public Policy (core course unit for the MSc International Public Policy)

Internet and New Media Politics (core stream option for the MSc Media, Power and Public Affairs)

Media, War and Conflict (core stream option for the MSc Media, Power and Public Affairs)

Non State Violence, Civil War and Security

Political Economy of the Middle East (core stream option for the MA Politics of Development)

Political Leaders and Democratic Politics (core stream option for the MSc Elections, Campaigns and Democracy)

Politics of Development (core course unit for the MA Politics of Development)

The Politics of Inequality

Understanding Defence

US Foreign Policy

Students will take one or two of the core methods units for all streams, the core unit/s for the program they are enrolled in, and two or three options. For programs that require them (MSc Elections, Campaigns and Democracy, MA Politics of Development, and MSc Media, Power and Public Affairs), students will also take at least one of the program's core stream options. All students will then write a **Dissertation** over the summer, working closely with our academic staff covering a broad range of research expertise. Students studying for the Postgraduate Diploma do not undertake the dissertation.

The options, available to students across all programs, cover a **broad range of topics**, from public policy to elections, from inequality to defence, from development to public opinion, from human rights to digital media, and encompass **diverse areas of the world**, from the European Union to the United States, from Sub-Saharan Africa and the Middle East to China. This year, we have expanded our options to include **six new exciting courses**: three of them (Analysing Public Opinion, Elections and Campaigning, and Political Leaders and Democratic Politics) are part of the core structure of the new MSc Elections, Campaigns and Democracy) and three (Development Politics in Sub-Saharan Africa, Fieldwork methods, and Political Economy of the Middle East) are part of the core structure of the new MA Politics of Development.

More details on the content of the courses will be announced during the summer.

Applications are still open for our postgraduate programs. Information can be found at <https://www.royalholloway.ac.uk/politicsandir/prospectivestudents/postgraduatetaught/home.aspx>

As well as these taught courses, we look forward to welcoming you to take part in our **weekly Guest Speaker program** and our wider research activities, both within the department and across the university.