

## History and Modern Languages Information Sheet for entry in 2018

In recent years history has experienced a 'linguistic turn' while literary studies have undergone a 'historical turn', making this combination of subjects stronger than ever. Knowledge of the past contextualises literary artefacts, while the forensic literary skills of the linguist are vital for interrogating historical documents. Historians have to be aware of genre, plot and rhetorical techniques in the creation both of their sources and their own arguments, while linguists need to appreciate the social and political concerns that are woven into literary works. This degree brings these two skill sets together.

Oxford has a long and enduring commitment to the teaching of European history and European languages, leading to a particularly rich environment in terms of staff expertise, library resources, language training and overseas contacts. The fullness and variety of the curriculum means that students can combine papers from the two faculties in stimulating ways. The two parts come together most directly in a bridge essay, where students can make their own innovative contributions.

### International opportunities

History and Modern Languages is a four-year course with a compulsory year abroad in your third year. Students are encouraged to travel and speak their specialist language in the vacations, and travel grants and scholarships may be available to assist.

### A typical weekly timetable

Your week's work will include:

- tutorials in history and in the literature and culture of the language you study
- language classes involving different skills, eg translation, oral and grammar
- about three or four lectures for each subject
- preparing essays for your weekly tutorials.



<b>1st year</b>	
<p><b>Courses</b></p> <p>Six courses are taken:</p> <p><b>History</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European/World history (four options: 370–900; 1000–1300; 1400–1650; 1815–1914)</li> <li>• Either a British history period, or a historical methods paper, or a foreign text or an optional subject</li> </ul> <p><b>Modern Language</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practical language work (two papers)</li> <li>• Two literature papers</li> </ul>	<p><b>Assessment</b></p> <p>First University examinations: Six written papers</p>
<b>2nd and 4th years (3rd year spent abroad)</b>	
<p><b>Courses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A period of European/World history</li> <li>• Either a special subject in History (two papers, see <a href="#">History</a>), with one additional history or literature option; or three papers selected from history (British history, further subject, thesis) or literature (special subjects, prescribed authors, extended essay)</li> <li>• An optional additional thesis in History</li> <li>• Practical language work (two papers)</li> <li>• A period of literature</li> <li>• A paper on one of a wide range of options</li> <li>• A bridge essay</li> </ul> <p><i>The curriculum for this course is currently under review and is likely to change. For the latest information on all course details and options see the <a href="#">History</a> and <a href="#">Modern Languages</a> websites.</i></p>	<p><b>Assessment</b></p> <p>Final University examinations:</p> <p>Between six and nine written papers; between one and four submitted essays, including the compulsory bridge essay; oral examination in the modern language</p> <p>Some essays are submitted in year 2.</p>

The University will seek to deliver each course in accordance with the descriptions set out above. However, there may be situations in which it is desirable or necessary for the University to make changes in course provision, either before or after registration. For further information, please see the University's Terms and Conditions.

## Fees

Oxford University is committed to recruiting the best and brightest students from all backgrounds. We offer a generous package of financial support to Home/EU students from lower-income households. (UK nationals living in the UK are usually Home students.)

These annual fees are for full-time students who begin this undergraduate course here in 2018.

Fee Status	Tuition fee	College fee	Total annual fees
Home/EU	£9,250	£0	£9,250
Islands (Channel Islands & Isle of Man)	£9,250	£0	£9,250
Overseas	£16,230	£7,570	£23,800

Information about how much fees and other costs may increase is set out in the University's Terms and Conditions.

### **Additional Fees and Charges Information for History and Modern Languages**

During the year abroad, students pay significantly reduced fees. For students who started an undergraduate course from 2017, who are going on their year abroad in 2018, the tuition fees are:

- Home/EU/Islands students: £1,385 for the year.
- International students: £8,115 for the year.

We recommend that students begin to research their year abroad options – including the financial implications – as early as possible in the second year of the course. There is plenty of support, information and advice to help you. You may choose to work or study during your year abroad, or you may do both. Students undertake a range of activities while on their year abroad, some activities may receive a salary and thus - depending on individual choices - it is possible for the year abroad to be cost neutral. Actual costs (such as course fees) and living costs will vary depending on the destination and the activity undertaken.

You will need to pay for living costs during the year abroad, including accommodation and travel expenses. Students taking part in Erasmus study exchanges will not need to pay tuition fees to other institutions. However, if you decide to study outside Erasmus you will be liable to pay tuition fees to the relevant institution.

You may receive salary payments or grants to offset some or all of these costs. Also, if you receive government funding for the rest of your course, you will still be entitled to government support during your year abroad. Hardship funds are available from the Faculty of Medieval & Modern Languages for students who can demonstrate particular difficulties related to their year abroad. These are awarded through a termly application process.

## Living Costs

Your living costs will vary significantly dependent on your lifestyle. These are estimated to be between £1,014 and £1,556 per month in 2018-19. Undergraduate courses usually consist of three terms of eight weeks each, but as a guide you may wish to budget over a nine-month period to ensure you also have sufficient funds during the holidays to meet essential costs.

### Living costs breakdown

	Per month		Total for 9 months	
	Lower range	Upper range	Lower range	Upper range
Food	£258	£361	£2,318	£3,245
Accommodation (including utilities)	£536	£677	£4,824	£6,093
Personal items	£118	£263	£1,066	£2,364
Social activities	£41	£123	£369	£1,105
Study costs	£39	£85	£348	£765
Other	£22	£47	£202	£419
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,014</b>	<b>£1,556</b>	<b>£9,127</b>	<b>£13,991</b>

When planning your finances for future years of study at Oxford beyond 2018-19, you should allow for an estimated increase in living expenses of 3% each year.

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