Students must register their paper choices
via the online registration system by
12:00 noon on Monday 11th October
https://www.hsps.cam.ac.uk/how-to-submit-your-paper-choices-for-the-hspstripos

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Part I | Human, Social, and Political Sciences - HSPS Tripos (cam.ac.uk)

The information contained in this Handbook is correct at the time of going to print, but all matters covered are subject to change with notice.
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Introduction

Background to the Tripos

Human, Social and Political Sciences (HSPS) is a Tripos (degree) which encompasses courses taught primarily through the Departments of Politics and International Studies, Social Anthropology and Sociology. Each has a global reputation for teaching and research, with separate suites of buildings and libraries across the University. The departments collectively contribute to the degree programme, allowing students to begin their degree with broad-ranging introductions to the big questions in each of these fields – the nature of the modern state and international conflict, the cultural differences between societies and how we might best understand them, and the understanding of social change and the nature of modern societies. We ask questions about what sorts of challenges look most likely to threaten the stability of the world around us and/or the well-being of societies and their citizens – from environmental and military shocks, to the continuing inequalities of class, gender, race and power. We ask what sorts of limits there are to the kinds of choices we all have to make about these challenges, and which sorts of theories or explanations best make sense of them. The course offers a large, telescopic lens through which to see the world, as well as smaller, microscopic considerations of particular answers and puzzles. We range broadly across historical time and space, as well as delve deeply into matters of fundamental cultural difference. We seek to develop arguments about our subjects that are philosophically and conceptually rigorous, historically and culturally nuanced, sociologically persuasive and politically aware.

The core subjects are:

- **Politics and International Relations** includes the study of national and international politics and political thought. We study themes such as democracy, the causes and outcomes of war, international justice, elections, economic crises and political thinkers. We approach these topics from historical and comparative perspectives, developing a sense of how global politics today is transforming our lives, our environments and our opportunities.

- **Social Anthropology** addresses the really big question – what does it mean to be human? – by taking as its subject matter the full range of human social and cultural diversity: the amazingly varied ways that people live, think and relate to each other in every part of the world. Anthropologists study these questions by living with and participating in the lives of the peoples they study and writing in-depth accounts of their ways of life.

- **Sociology** is the study of modern societies and how social change happens. Sociology explores the multiple forms of power and inequality in the world today and how they affect all of our lives. By joining together the social, cultural, political and economic dimensions of social life, sociology gives you the tools you need to understand the key events of our time and how they are linked to the main forces and institutions that shape the modern world.
Structure of the Tripos

Throughout the Tripos, you will learn from a combination of lectures, seminars, classes, and supervisions. Students take four papers (the Cambridge term for a course of study leading to an examination) in each year. Most of these papers will be taught throughout the year in intensive eight-week terms, and will culminate in a three-hour exam in May or June. Specific assessment details will be communicated to you in the Michaelmas Term.

Lectures
The majority of teaching will be by a combination of scheduled lectures and supervisions. Lectures are held once or twice per week, depending on the paper. Lectures are organised by the Faculty; in Part I supervisions are the responsibility of Colleges, and therefore will be organised by your Director of Studies (DoS).

The plan for 2021-22 is to hold as many lectures as possible in person. However, with the ever-changing situation due to the global pandemic it may be necessary to move lectures online at short notice. Individual lecturers may also choose to give their lectures online, which you will be advised about in advance. Please consult the online timetable for the scheduled lecture times: https://www.timetable.cam.ac.uk

Ventilation risk assessments have been carried out in all the lecture theatres. We ask when attending lectures in person that you try to sit apart from others who are not in your household (if possible), that you sanitise your hands when entering and leaving the building and that you wear face coverings in the lecture theatre if you are able to do so. You are also asked to vacate the lecture theatre after 50 minutes (even if you have another lecture scheduled in that room immediately afterwards) so that you can get some fresh air and so that the room can be fully ventilated before the next lecture starts. Please see the Stay Safe Cambridge University site for more information. https://www.cam.ac.uk/coronavirus/stay-safe-cambridge-uni

Supervisions
Supervisions are a series of small-group meetings between you, other students on the paper, and a member of academic staff or a graduate student (known as your Supervisor). You will have a supervisor for each paper you take and on average six to eight supervisions per paper, spread throughout the year. This will generally mean between three and four supervisions per fortnight. It is generally the case that it would be unusual to receive more than two supervisions per week for the Tripos overall. However, you should note that the details of how these are spread across the year may vary by College and by subject.

Between these supervisions, you will read independently and write essays for your supervisor, who will read them before the supervision and give you feedback. These supervision essays are the main method of preparation for the examinations each year (see the section of this handbook on Writing Essays for more guidance).

Your Director of Studies will organise you into a supervision group, and your supervisor should arrange your supervisions well in advance. You should expect to be contacted by your supervisor during the first week of term, or notified about when you will be contacted. If you have not been contacted by Friday 15th October, please notify your Director of Studies immediately. If you have any concerns over your supervisions, or your supervisor, you should contact your Director of Studies right away; s/he will be able to help you address the concerns as quickly as possible, so that you do not lose any study time. If you are unable to address this problem with your DoS, you are encouraged to contact your College
Tutor/Senior Tutor and, failing that, the paper co-ordinator (listed in the Part I: The Papers section of this handbook). There are more sources of support for you in the section of this handbook for Complaints and Problems.

Supervisions will also be an opportunity for group discussion, where you and your classmates will debate topics discussed in the lectures.

**The first year**

In the first year, you may take the following four core papers:
- POL1: The Modern State and its Alternatives
- POL2: International Conflict, Order and Justice
- SAN1: Social Anthropology: The Comparative Perspective
- SOC1: Introduction to Sociology: Modern Societies I

Or three of the above and one of the following “borrowed” papers:
- A1: World Archaeology (borrowed from the Archaeology Tripos)
- A3: Introduction to the Cultures of Egypt & Mesopotamia (borrowed from the Archaeology Tripos)
- B1: Humans in Biological Perspective (borrowed from the Archaeology Tripos)
- PBS1: Introduction to Psychology (borrowed from the Psychological & Behavioural Sciences Tripos)

Please discuss your paper choices with your Director of Studies. We have timetabled the lectures in order to avoid clashes wherever we can; however, some seminars, or small group sessions, may clash. If this happens you usually have a choice of groups to attend, or the sessions may be optional. If you have concerns about clashes, please speak to your Director of Studies to ensure you are aware of the options available to you.

**The second and third years**

In the second and third years, you will choose to follow a disciplinary track, where you will specialise in more depth in your chosen subject(s). The track you choose at the start of the second year can be either a single subject track, studying one of our three core subjects, or a joint subject track in which you study two subjects together.

There are no papers you are required to take in the first year that are a prerequisite for studying any subject in the second and third years. However, if you think you know now what you are likely to study in the second and third years, it is obviously sensible to take at least one paper in that subject in Part I. To give yourself the widest choice of papers across the Tripos in the second and third years, we recommend that you take the four core paper – POL1, POL2, SAN1 and SOC1 – in the first year. There is more information on the tracks available to you later in this handbook, in the section Moving on to Part II.

We will hold an Options Day early in the Easter term of your first year, in which we will outline more fully the options available to you on each track. In order to assist with planning the timetables, supervisions and lectures for the following year, all first-year students will be asked to indicate their chosen track and the papers within it during May. The formal decision is made at the start of the following Michaelmas term, but in order to allocate supervisors in a timely manner and make suitable room bookings, having the correct information in advance will help us to ensure that the start of the year runs as smoothly as possible.
## Important Dates and Events

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Facilities and Resources

Part I Student Website
The Tripos has developed a central web page for all current students, where you can find paper guides, policies and procedures and information on whom to contact. This site is located at: Part I | Human, Social, and Political Sciences - HSPS Tripos (cam.ac.uk).
Information can also be found on Moodle (see below). There is also an online timetable which will be kept updated throughout the year: https://www.timetable.cam.ac.uk (for more information see the ‘Timetable’ section below).

Moodle
Each student has an account on Moodle located at: https://www.vle.cam.ac.uk/my/
Here you can access the Moodle sites for each of your papers on which you will find links to the lecture recordings for 2021-22, supplementary material for lectures (e.g., handouts), past examination papers and other resources for the papers that you are taking. You will be automatically enrolled on the HSPS Part I sites and will be notified by email when they are up and running. If you have not received an introductory email by the start of the Michaelmas term, please notify the Part I Administrator (see the section of this handbook on Communication and Information for contact details).

In addition, the Haddon and Seeley Libraries operate independent Moodle sites, which hold scanned versions of copyrighted articles and book chapters that you may find useful to supplement your reading. You will have to register separately for these sites; contact the relevant Library for more details (see below).

Faculty Sites and Teaching Locations
The Faculty is spread across four separate sites: the Downing Site, the New Museums Site, Mill Lane (Old Press Site) and the Sidgwick Site. Lectures can take place on any of the four sites. There is an online University map available to help you to find your way around: map.cam.ac.uk. At the end of this handbook (Appendix 1) you will find a map of all sites including useful locations.

Libraries
Cambridge is exceptionally well provided with libraries and maintains a tripartite system of library provision: College libraries, the University Library, and specialist libraries of Faculties and Departments. The Faculty of HSPS has two specialist libraries within it: the Haddon Library of Anthropology and Archaeology and the Seeley Library (which includes the POLIS and Sociology collections). Other specialist libraries that may be of interest to HSPS students are the Libraries of the Faculties of Classics and Asian & Middle Eastern Studies and the Marshall Library of the Faculty of Economics. The University Library is entitled to receive material published in the United Kingdom due to its Legal Deposit status; as a result, the University Library has a vast, varied and accessible collection of material (some of which can be borrowed). You should ensure that you utilise all opportunities for accessing material from your reading lists.

The Libraries Gateway (https://www.libraries.cam.ac.uk/) is a centralised portal for all libraries within the University of Cambridge. It provides access to the University’s catalogue, iDiscover, which can search for electronic and print material for all libraries, both on campus and beyond. Through logging into iDiscover you can also access your account information, renew your loans and place requests on sought-after material. The Libraries
Gateway also provides access to pages dedicated to the University’s vast collection of e-books, online journals and databases; there is also a link to our institutional repository, Apollo.

The Library Essentials LibGuide (https://libguides.cam.ac.uk/libraryessentials) is an excellent introduction to the libraries at Cambridge, tools such as iDiscover and Reading Lists Online and the many ebooks and databases on offer at Cambridge.

A really quick and easy way to learn about the key elements of studying in Cambridge is through using CamGuides (https://camguides.lib.cam.ac.uk/undergraduates.html). This website is designed to give advice on referencing, plagiarism, managing your time, learning at Cambridge and finding resources for your studies.

The Seeley Library
(History, Politics & International Studies, Sociology, Land Economics and Latin American Studies)
http://www.hist.cam.ac.uk/seeley-library/
E-mail: seeley@hist.cam.ac.uk
Phone: 01223 335335

The Seeley Library has over 100,000 print volumes that support a host of subjects within the humanities. The Library is supported by a dedicated team of library professionals who are happy to help readers and provide subject specific support throughout the academic year. The Library seeks to acquire all books on Sociology and POLIS reading lists in print or as e-books. There is also a limited selection of journals, MPhil theses and DVDs. For the majority of the collection, four books can be borrowed for seven days at a time, however, Latin American books are the exception and allow six books to be borrowed for two weeks. All students are automatically enrolled to use the Seeley and can borrow material from the reference desk or self-service terminal.

The Seeley Team also provide access to electronic resources, including e-books and scanned material. Links to digital copies of a selection of core and essential readings are available on course Moodle pages. The Seeley also welcomes recommendations for new e-books in order to support dissertations and research.

The Library’s vast reading room offers over 300 seats, complete with Wi-Fi, electrical sockets and personal lighting. It sits at the centre of the Grade 2* listed History Faculty building and provides a bright and open space to study. The Library is located on the Sidgwick site (alongside the Alison Richard Building) and is across the road from the main University Library.

Further information about the POLIS and Sociology collections are available via their dedicated LibGuides:
   POLIS LibGuide - https://libguides.cam.ac.uk/POLIS
   Sociology LibGuide - https://libguides.cam.ac.uk/sociology

The Haddon Library
(Anthropology and Archaeology and classes/services for Sociology)
https://www.haddon.lib.cam.ac.uk/ Email: haddon-library@lists.cam.ac.uk
Phone: 01223 339374
The Haddon Library, the dedicated Anthropology and Archaeology library, holds over 50,000 books and around 30,000 journal volumes. The Library is located on the Downing Site, on the first floor of the Department of Archaeology and has up to 40 spaces to study. Undergraduates may borrow up to ten books at a time, and loans renew automatically, which means you can keep books until another reader requests them or until you leave Cambridge. The Haddon Library also offers an extensive selection of study skills classes throughout the year. Information about classes and signposting to training across the university is available on its website. There is also an extensive collection of archaeological books in the Classics Library https://www.classics.cam.ac.uk/library/

The Museum of Archaeology & Anthropology
http://maa.cam.ac.uk/maa/
Email: admin@maa.cam.ac.uk
Phone: 01223-333516
University map reference:
http://map.cam.ac.uk/Museum+of+Archaeology+and+Anthropology
The Museum is a part of the Department of Social Anthropology, and is located on the Downing site, adjacent to the Department of Archaeology. The Museum was established in 1884 and is still housed in its 1916 building, with three floors displaying renowned archaeological and anthropological collections from around the world. The collections have recently been Designated of National Importance and the Museum was a finalist in the Art Fund 2013 Museum of the Year competition.

Computing Facilities
Students reading HSPS have access to public workstation facilities within each of the Libraries and most Departments, but please check the relevant Library and Departmental websites for updated information on access to public workstation facilities. You may also purchase print credits and access personal file space, web publishing facilities (via the Student-Run Computing Facility), and file transfer facilities. For more information see http://www.hsps.cam.ac.uk/hsps/facilities.

Recording of Lectures
Students viewing recordings of lectures on Moodle are notified that all teaching material is copyrighted material: owned by the lecturer, who retains copyright in their original authored content, and by third parties who own copyright in material which may be included in the content. Copies may not be made without the formal consent of the lecturer and third parties (as applicable); this includes audio recordings and transcriptions of the recordings as well as all accompanying material, presented both during, in advance of and following the lecture. Students may use the recordings and accompanying materials made available to them for their own private study and non-commercial research. Otherwise, the content, recordings and materials must not be copied, stored or distributed (including by e-mail or attachment or in an intranet or on the internet and social media) unless by statutory exception or with the consent of the rights holders, i.e. the lecturer, the University and third party material rights owners, as applicable. Failure to comply with the terms of this warning may result in disciplinary action by the University and legal claims for copyright infringement.

Disabled students needing to make their own recordings of lectures to assist them with their study should contact the University Disability Resource Centre (DRC).
The DRC will ask you to sign a usage agreement for recording of lectures. It is the University’s policy that disabled students are permitted to record lectures, but you should register with the DRC to ensure that we can relay this permission to lecturers. You still need to notify the lecturer that you will be recording their session. If you are not registered with the DRC, then the lecturer, for reasons outlined above, will not permit recording. A student wishing to record the lectures of a whole paper (which may be given by a range of lecturers), needs to seek permission from each of the lecturers individually.

Your consent to being recorded is not required for every type of teaching session, but for any teaching session where your contribution is mandatory or expected (for example, supervisions or small-group discussion sessions), your consent to be recorded should be sought. This consent may be given verbally or in writing; you may be given the University’s Lecture Capture Consent Form: Students or you may be asked at the start of the session.

By giving consent, you agree to the following:

1. I have been given information and a link to the University’s Policy on the Recording of Teaching Materials/Lectures, and other Teaching, Learning, and Assessment Activities.
2. My personal data (including my image, voice, opinions, etc.) will be recorded and managed in line with the University’s Statement of Records Management Practice. Full details about how your data is managed is available in the relevant privacy notice on the Information Compliance website.
3. I understand that I am not obliged to give this consent, and have the right to withdraw my consent after it has been given.

If you do not agree to the statements above, please notify your session leader immediately. If you do not consent, or if your consent is later withdrawn, the recording may not be made available unless your contribution can be removed.

*Your consent is not required when your contribution is optional, not expected, or otherwise not required in order to meet the learning objectives of the session,* provided that you have been notified that: (a) the session will be recorded, and (b) that you have the right to request that you are not recorded, and to seek guidance on how to ensure this is the case. This may entail either being seated in a particular part of the room, or turning off your camera/microphone for virtual sessions. Students are advised to approach the relevant session leader in good time prior to the session, to ensure that they may be advised appropriately.
Communication and Information

Important Contacts

Your Director of Studies is usually the best first point of contact for any Part I queries, but you can also contact:

**Part I Administrator** Gillian Dadd, email: part1-administrator@hsp.s.cam.ac.uk; telephone 01223 (3)35454

**Student Representatives** Email: hsps-tripos-rep@hsp.s.cam.ac.uk.

**Faculty Teaching Administrator** Hayley Bell, email: facultyteachingadmin@hsp.s.cam.ac.uk

Key Committees

There are several decision-making bodies for the Tripos; the key ones are:

**Faculty Board** The Faculty Board is the governing body of the Faculty and members are drawn from senior academic staff within HSPS and cognate Faculties. Student representatives also attend.

**Director of Studies Committee** The DoS Committee is made up of Directors of Studies across the Faculty and meets once per term to discuss teaching issues. No students attend the meeting but the minutes are sent to the Faculty Board and are seen by Student Representatives.

**HSPS Tripos Management Committee** This Committee is the governing body for the Tripos as a whole and is made up of representatives for each of the subjects. Student representatives also attend.

**Student Forum** The Student Forum consists of undergraduate and graduate students from each subject within the Faculty and is wholly student-led. The Forum is Chaired by the Faculty Board Student Representatives.
Student Elections

In consultation with students, the University of Cambridge has created a system of student representative elections to ensure that students from its various disciplines have a clear voice. An undergraduate student member sits on the Faculty Board for the Tripos. Elections to this are run by the central University’s Education Quality and Policy Office (EQPO) in conjunction with the student union (CUSU).

Additionally, in Michaelmas term, there will be elections held for a Part I student representative who will also be invited to sit on the HSPS Tripos Management Committee (TMC). The TMC oversees the HSPS undergraduate Tripos. Elections will also be held for the constituent subjects of Part II of the tripos (i.e. Social Anthropology, Sociology & Politics) to elect one member from each subject area to sit on their separate Education Committees as well as the TMC.

Email

Your Cambridge email address will be automatically added to our Part I student mailing list, and you will receive a test message at the start of term. If you have not received this message by the time teaching has begun, contact the Part I Administrator.

We will use this list to send all students details of any changes to your lecture timetable, updates to the Moodle site or websites, election information, details about examinations when available and other information of interest.

Harassment and Sexual Misconduct

The University takes all instances of harassment and sexual misconduct extremely seriously. More information about these issues can be found on the Breaking the Silence website: https://www.breakingthesilence.cam.ac.uk/.

Students wishing to report an incident of harassment or sexual misconduct should seek support from the appropriate staff in their College. However, if for any reason you feel unable to approach your College regarding these matters you should contact Ms Lara Gisborne, administrator@sociology.cam.ac.uk
Part I: The Papers

Overview

Below we have provided a very brief overview of the papers on offer, in order to assist you in making your choices. Each paper has produced a Paper Guide, which will give you much more detailed information about the paper’s aims/objectives, lecture structure and topics covered, methods of assessment, and detailed reading. Paper Guides are accessible on the HSPS website: Part I | Human, Social, and Political Sciences - HSPS Tripos (cam.ac.uk), the relevant Moodle sites for each paper and the HSPS Part I General Information Moodle site; you should download the Guides for the papers you choose and read them carefully.

There will also be talks about each of the Part I core papers available on the HSPS Part I General Information site on Moodle: Course: Part I General Information (cam.ac.uk) from Monday 4th October. There will also be a live Q&A on Zoom on Wednesday 6th October at 10am where you can ask questions about the papers and about Part I in general.

There will also be a pre-recorded talk about how to register your paper choices using the online registration system. This system will open on Wednesday 6th October at 12:00 noon and will remain open until 12:00 noon on Monday 11th October. This deadline has been put in place so that your Directors of Studies can organise your supervisions as quickly as possible at the start of term. The introductory talks and Q&A session are provided to help you with your selection process, but please discuss your choices with your Director of Studies as well. Your choice is not binding and you may change your mind up until the Division (the middle) of the Michaelmas term; however, keep in mind that if you do change, you will have missed supervisions on the new paper, and the later you leave it the more you will have missed. Please note that you also need to register your paper choices on CamSIS by the division of Michaelmas term in order to register for your exams (see the Examinations section below).

POL1: The Modern State and Its Alternatives
Course Organiser: Professor Helen Thompson, het20@cam.ac.uk
First lecture will be in the Lady Mitchell Hall on: Thursday 7th October at 10.00am
Lady Mitchell Hall: Map of the University of Cambridge

This paper seeks to understand the practical and imaginative foundations of modern politics and the reaction and resistance to them. It is structured around set texts, chosen not because they represent a canon but because they engage with some of the fundamental questions of modern politics. The paper begins with the modern state. The modern state is a historically contingent political phenomenon but it has become the predominant basis on which political authority and power are constructed across the world today. The question of how the exercise of power by the modern state over its subjects can be legitimated is a perpetual one in modern politics, and the answers to it have been deeply politically contested. The second part of the paper looks at the contingent historical origins of representative democracy in the United States and the political implications as it spread as a form of government. It seeks to unpack the paradoxes of representative democracy as a form of government that rhetorically invokes the ‘rule of the people’ and the pursuit of the common good and yet gives power to those who are elected to office by seeking votes, and to consider its relationship to the conditions of material prosperity and the distribution of wealth. The final part examines the coherence and persuasiveness of a number of political critiques of the modern state and representative democracy as well as the mortality of democratic politics and government. It considers the
critique made by Marx of the democratic modern state as the product of capitalism, Gandhi’s rejection of the violence and alienated sovereignty of modern politics in search of a return to a soul-based civilisation, and Arendt’s desire to return politics to its place as a meaningful sphere of free human action. Since everything in politics is mortal, it concludes by contemplating the question of how democracy itself may end.

**POL2: International Conflict, Order and Justice**

Course Organiser: Professor Ayşe Zarakol, az319@cam.ac.uk

First lecture will be in the Lady Mitchell Hall on: Monday 11th October at 10.00am

Lady Mitchell Hall: Map of the University of Cambridge

International Conflict, Order and Justice will delve into politics beyond the state. We seek to understand contemporary global politics as the product of intersecting forms of power, each with a distinct history and, perhaps, requiring a distinct analytical approach. The dominant traditions in the study of international relations have emphasized relations among states; however, as new global political realities have emerged, so have new theoretical approaches entered the debate to understand these new realities and to re-interpret dominant histories of international order. Some new approaches focus on actors beyond the state – international organizations, social movements, multinational corporations, or terrorist groups. Others argue that alternative logics – such as race, gender, or supposed civilizational divides – determine international politics and should not be ignored by focusing too exclusively on inter-state interaction. Others still have argued that giving priority to the Westphalian state obscures the very different visage that international politics may have from the standpoint of the non-Western world. Thus, a global international relations requires attention to other forms and histories of international order, as well as a robust history of the state and how we understand it. This paper explores international politics while leaving open the questions of what issues matter, whose experiences should be the basis for theory, and what methodological tools we can use in this pursuit.

**SAN1: Social Anthropology: The Comparative Perspective**

Course Organiser: Michaelmas and Lent: Dr Andrew Sanchez (as2672@cam.ac.uk)

Easter: Prof Joel Robbins (jr626@cam.ac.uk)

First lecture will be in the Lady Mitchell Hall on: Friday 8th October at 11.00am

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Social Anthropology addresses the really big question – what does it mean to be human? – by taking as its subject matter the full range of human social and cultural diversity. What does this diversity tell us about the fundamental bases and possibilities of human social and political life, and how do contemporary global changes manifest themselves in people’s lives across the world? In this paper you will learn how such taken-for-granted categories as gender, ethnicity, sexuality, economy, politics, and the state are subject to radical cultural variation, and how everyday matters such as food, clothing, work, and trade may be bound up with religious and other symbolic meanings that vary between societies. You will also learn about the main kinds of social theory developed by anthropologists in response to the challenge of understanding this diversity, and about the distinctive forms of ethnographic field research anthropologists use in order to gain first-hand knowledge of the societies they study. To this end we look closely at two very different core ethnographic texts: a study of a girls’ initiation ceremony from central Africa, and an account of conversion to Christianity in highland Papua New Guinea.
SOC1: Modern Societies I: Introduction to Sociology
Course Organiser: Professor Patrick Baert, pjnb100@cam.ac.uk
First lecture will be available online by: Thursday 7th October at 11.00am. There will be a live Q&A session via Zoom at 11am on Thursday 7th October 2021 (details can be found on the SOC1 Moodle site): https://www.vle.cam.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=123931
More information will be provided on how the SOC1 lectures will continue to run during Michaelmas term.

The course introduces students to the discipline of sociology in two parts.

In the Michaelmas term students are thoroughly acquainted with core sociological concepts and concerns (e.g. class, bureaucracy, social solidarity). We do this through a critical engagement with the ideas of four central figures in the history of modern sociological thought: Karl Marx, Max Weber, Emile Durkheim and W.E.B. Du Bois. Towards the end of Michaelmas and throughout Lent, we build on the foundations laid by the classical theorists and develop a systematic analysis of key institutions and aspects of modern societies including: the modern state and the rise of nationalism; citizenship and the welfare state; the media and public life; class and inequality; race and ethnicity; and gender and the family.

Borrowed papers:

A1: World Archaeology
Course Organiser: Dr Cameron A. Petrie, cap59@cam.ac.uk
First lecture: Tuesday 12th October, 12.00pm, TBC.
This paper focuses on key thresholds in the unfolding story of how and why societies change, starting from the origins of the human species. You will study the emergence of culture and the use of symbols, domestication of plants and animals, and the development of social inequalities and leadership.

A3: Introduction to the Cultures of Egypt & Mesopotamia
Course Organisers: Dr Kate Spence, kes1004@cam.ac.uk; Dr Augusta McMahon, amm36@cam.ac.uk
First lecture: Tuesday 12th October, 2:00pm, South Lecture Room, Archaeology; Downing Site.
University map reference: https://map.cam.ac.uk/Department+of+Archaeology
This paper provides a broad survey of the archaeology and history of ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia, introducing you to key themes and approaches in the study of these two regions. The paper provides outline histories of the regions and introduces the geography, archaeology, society, literature, art, belief systems and mortuary practices of these areas.

B1: Humans in Biological Perspective
Course Organiser: Dr Emma Pomeroy, eep23@cam.ac.uk
First lecture: Tuesday 12th October, 9.00am, lectures will be held online.
This paper provides a broad introduction to Biological Anthropology and covers major subject areas such as primate biology and behaviour, human evolution, human health, adaptation to different environments and life history theory. Through studying this course, students will gain a strong foundation in the field of Biological Anthropology, the processes and patterns of evolution, the way humans fit into the overall pattern of biodiversity, the way in which humans reproduce and grow in an ecological and social environment, and the challenges of living in different environments. Focus is on
both the past and how we became human, and the present, with the biological
challenges, such as health and disease, humans face today.
The course is designed both for those who wish to specialise in Biological Anthropology, and
those who can use it as a complementary and contextual field of study for Archaeology, Psychology and Human, Social and Political Sciences. The course provides an understanding of how different approaches can be used to address specific questions about human origins and diversity, as well as serving as a way of exploring the interaction between biological and social or cultural factors in being human.

PBS1: Introduction to Psychology
Course Organiser: Dr Amy Milton, alm46@cam.ac.uk
First lecture will be live online on Teams on: Friday 8th October, 2.00pm.

This course aims to introduce a variety of theoretical and methodological approaches to the study of Psychology. Through studying this course, students will develop their understanding of how the different approaches address specific topics within psychology. Topics are selected such that students without prior training in psychology will not be disadvantaged. After a brief introduction to the history of psychology, and its various sub-disciplines, a series of four broad topics will be explored. Each topic will be covered over seven lectures, with research and ideas from different theoretical viewpoints being discussed and compared in an additional panel session at the end of each topic.
Timetable

The University has created a system to provide students with personalised timetables. All lecture information will be uploaded to the site at: http://www.timetable.cam.ac.uk. There you can select the papers you are taking, and your corresponding lecture details will be added to a calendar-style or a list-style timetable. This calendar may be used within the system or synced to an electronic device or software of your choice, such as a smartphone or Google calendar. Should any lecture details change this will be automatically updated to the system and synced to your calendar.

Supplementary Teaching

In addition to the scheduled teaching, Part I students have the option to participate in several other activities:

Special Seminars

Several subjects offer special seminars throughout the year as a regular course of events, which may be of interest to Part I students. You can find schedules of events at:

Politics & International Studies  http://www.polis.cam.ac.uk/
Social Anthropology  http://www.socanth.cam.ac.uk/
Sociology  https://www.sociology.cam.ac.uk/events-1
Writing Essays

Essay writing is one of the main means of study as well as a form of preparation for the exams, in which students are expected to draw on lecture material, supervision work, and independent reading. Over the course of the three years, you will be increasingly encouraged to supplement supervisors’ suggested readings with the sources you have encountered using your growing research skills.

It is hard to overstate the importance of a good essay-writing style, but there is no single way of writing a good essay. Different subjects will prompt you to write in different ways, and different styles are equally acceptable when well executed. Your supervisors and Director of Studies will help you to choose what style best suits your topic, but below is a general guide to how to write a good essay in each of our subjects.

Regardless of the subject, you should remember the following key points:

1. **Answer the question:** an essay that fails to address the question will always be marked down.
2. **Structure is key:** you do not always have to write an essay plan, but excellent essays will always excite and maintain the reader’s attention. Ordering your thoughts and planning what you want to say will help in comprehension and engagement.
3. **Learn to reference:** in most essays you will cite other authors, and you will need to know how and when to use references appropriately. See the section of this handbook on Plagiarism for more guidance, or speak to your DoS and supervisors. The University also offers free training on how to reference, and courses in the use of some types of software to help. This software, such as Zotero and Mendeley, can be very helpful for note-taking and automating bibliography-writing. You can also access a wide library of study skills at: [http://libguides.cam.ac.uk/skills](http://libguides.cam.ac.uk/skills)

**Politics & International Relations**

Essays in Politics & International Relations are usually answers to questions, and answers to all but the most flatly factual questions are arguments. Once you make your starting point clear, you are free to pursue whatever line you find persuasive. A good essay will indicate what is at issue in the question that it’s addressing, the important positions that have been taken on it by others, and contain a defence of the writer’s own. Some essays will be more conceptual or theoretical, some more empirical; many will be a mixture of the two. Convey what you want to say as clearly and persuasively as you can, and avoid unnecessary jargon. In particular, do not unthinkingly adopt the terms of the authors you read. For some essays, it will be these terms that are at issue: you should ask yourself whether they are the most appropriate and effective. If you believe they are not, do not be afraid to point this out, to break them apart, or to propose alternatives. It is essential to read the texts of the thinkers and analysts you are writing about. Do not be tempted by other people’s summaries. It is important also to engage with them: do not be content merely to report what the authors of primary texts or commentators have said. You will usually be asked to read authors who take different points of view. You should understand what these differences are, be able to expound and explain them, and if you can, decide between them. For more information, see our guide to supervisions and essay writing: [https://www.polis.cam.ac.uk/Undergrad/Current/Supervisionsguide.pdf](https://www.polis.cam.ac.uk/Undergrad/Current/Supervisionsguide.pdf)
**Social Anthropology**

Essay styles in Social Anthropology vary depending on the question asked and the approach you choose to take in answering it. Some essays will be more conceptual, or theoretical, some more ethnographic, but most will be a mixture of the two. At any event, in Social Anthropology, the answer to a question is an argument. A good essay will almost always be a defence of your own position or positions, while indicating those that have been taken by others and the range of considerations at issue. It will make clear what you think is at stake in the question, and may give your reasons for answering it in one way rather than another. It works towards a definite conclusion, even if that conclusion identifies an area of still unresolved debate. Along the way, you should seek to demonstrate a command of relevant ideas, texts, and sources: identify the kinds of arguments you are discussing and/or advancing in terms of theoretical school or style; make reference to specific authors and works; give ethnographic examples of specific peoples and places. A supervision essay is not the final word on a subject and you should feel free to argue for an unorthodox or controversial position (making clear that you know it to be so) if you think you can make a good case that it is warranted by evidence and argument. You should regard it as an exercise in the process of thinking and arguing, and as a work in progress, to be revised or extended during supervision discussion as well as in your further work. Social Anthropology has produced an essay writing guide for students writing anthropology essays for the first time. It can be found here: [https://www.socanth.cam.ac.uk/raven-protected-documents/teaching-resources/ug-teaching-resources/ug-essay-writing-guide.pdf](https://www.socanth.cam.ac.uk/raven-protected-documents/teaching-resources/ug-teaching-resources/ug-essay-writing-guide.pdf)

**Sociology**

Key to writing a good Sociology essay is a clear argument based on a careful and critical reading of the material relevant to the question. In the first instance, this will be the books and articles the paper organiser has indicated you should read in the paper guide. Pay careful attention to the language a particular author uses and attempt to situate the work in the social and intellectual context of the period in which it was written. A good essay will provide an introduction that explains your interpretation of the question and how you intend to answer it, namely your essay’s structure and argument. As part of the process of building the argument, the body of the essay will outline, and critically evaluate, the different positions you’ve considered on the topic of the question (e.g. a question on class may discuss Marx, Weber and Durkheim’s differing understanding of the structural organisation of class, intersectional approaches to understanding class in a broader context and/or the subjective experience of class). This critical evaluation may include how well arguments are supported with empirical examples of events (including contemporary events not yet analysed in the literature), studies or statistical data; in other words, you can use the theory to help expand our understanding of the empirical world, and then use the empirical world to help expand our understanding of the theory. You can show further knowledge by referring to material beyond the reading list, as long as you demonstrate its relevance. The essay should conclude by summarising your argument and the justifications you have offered for it, as well as indicating the relevance of your argument in the broader theoretical and/or empirical context. Always try to justify your arguments by reference to concrete examples, studies, research or new work. Reference all your sources consistently and systematically. Finally give yourself time to re-read, edit and re-edit your essay. Often the process of re-reading and editing will improve an essay immensely. This process will, of course, be aided through discussions in supervisions and the further reflections they inspire for you. For more on essay-writing from a student’s perspective, see the relevant section in this handbook, written by students for students: [https://www.sociology.cam.ac.uk/system/files/documents/hsps_student_guidebook.pdf](https://www.sociology.cam.ac.uk/system/files/documents/hsps_student_guidebook.pdf)
Plagiarism

What follows is important guidance on plagiarism for all undergraduate students in the Faculty of Human, Social, and Political Science.

Plagiarism is presenting as your own work words and thoughts that are not your own. It is a form of cheating and treated as such by the University’s ordinances. If you are in any doubt about what constitutes plagiarism, ask your graduate supervisor or Director of Studies to talk you through the issue. You should also ensure that you are familiar with the University’s formal Statement on Plagiarism, www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/plagiarism.

What Constitutes Plagiarism?

Plagiarism from published literature

Plagiarism is copying out, or paraphrasing someone else’s work (whether published or not), without acknowledgement in quotation marks and with a reference or citation (where directly copied) or with a reference or citation (when paraphrasing). Avoiding plagiarism means getting into the habit of careful note-taking and careful referencing. Citation styles and preferences can vary by subject within the Faculty; make sure you check with your supervisor or course organiser about what style best suits the type of work you are producing. Whatever the style, though, appropriate referencing is essential.


“Some of them, unwittingly, hastened the coming of the disaster, for they became exuberant imperialists, justifying Germany’s headlong rush into world politics by a kind of cultural Darwinism. Once more, brute force was gilded by idealistic invocations, by reference to Hegel and Fichte and the German Idealist tradition. Similar rationalizations had been propagated in Western countries; the difference, as Ludwig Dehio points out, was that the ideals of the Western powers, of Spain during the Counter-Reformation, of revolutionary France or liberal England, possessed a universal appeal, whereas the “German mission” was parochial and unpersuasive. The Germans were searching for the identity of their mission, in a sense for their own identity; the Kaiser’s theatrics were a pathetic insistence of this search.” (Fritz Stern, The failure of illiberalism: essays on the political culture of modern Germany, pp. 16-17.)

Any part you directly quote should be attributed to Stern in the main body of your text, identified by quotation marks.

It is plagiarism to write without a reference to Stern:

A few Germans inadvertently speeded up the impending disaster, for they became enthusiastic imperialists, justifying Germany’s dizzy charge into world power politics by a form of cultural Darwinism. Again, violence was covered by idealistic rhetoric, through the words of Hegel and Fichte, and the German Idealist tradition.

This is because the source of the information is not made clear.
To write what follows is also plagiarism:

Some Germans unwittingly hastened the coming of the disaster, for they became exuberant imperialists, justifying Germany’s headlong rush into world politics by a kind of cultural Darwinism. Once more, brute force was gilded by idealistic invocations (Stern, 1974: 16-17).

Even though there is a reference to Stern here, this is plagiarism because substantially the same sequences of words are used as in Stern’s text: those words should be in quotation marks.

In both of the passages above, it is not possible to distinguish between your words or thoughts and those of Stern, and therefore this counts as plagiarism.

Your objective should be to show your reader where and how you have supported or defended your work with that of others, or where you have carried someone else’s work to a new level. This is done by including references and quotation marks as appropriate:

Stern (1974) felt that some Germans “… unwittingly hastened the coming of the disaster, for they became exuberant imperialists, justifying Germany’s headlong rush into world politics by a kind of cultural Darwinism”. This legitimisation can be clearly seen in speeches given by German orators throughout 1930-39.

It is plagiarism to pass off an author’s discussion of another author as your own. For example, you must acknowledge Stern in taking his comment on Ludwig Dehio. Here, if you want to use Stern’s words you should write something like:

Stern (1974: 16-17) emphasises Ludwig Dehio’s argument that “the ideals of the Western powers, of Spain during the Counter-Reformation, of revolutionary France or liberal England, possessed a universal appeal, whereas the ‘German mission’ was parochial and unpersuasive”.

It is plagiarism to write the following without acknowledging Stern:

Ludwig Dehio argued that the difference between Germany and Western countries was that the ideals of the Western powers, of Spain during the Counter-Reformation, of revolutionary France or liberal England, possessed a universal appeal, whereas the “German mission” was parochial and unpersuasive.

**Plagiarism from the Internet**

Buying essays from Internet sites and passing them off as your own is plagiarism. There are no grey lines with this kind of plagiarism. It always constitutes a deliberate attempt to deceive and shows a wilful disregard for the point of a university education.

Downloading material from the Internet and incorporating it into essays without acknowledgement also constitutes plagiarism. Internet material should be treated like published sources and referenced accordingly.
Plagiarism from other students’ essays
Submitting an essay written by another student is plagiarism and will always be treated as a deliberate attempt to deceive. This is the case whether the other student is at this University or another, whether the student is still studying or not, and whether he or she has given consent to you doing so or not. Taking passages from another student’s essay is also plagiarism.

In most courses, it is also plagiarism to submit for examination any work or part of any work which you have already had examined elsewhere, even if this was in another University or for another degree.

Collusion
Submitting parts of an essay, dissertation, or project work completed jointly with another student, without acknowledgement or if joint work has not been permitted, is collusion and is considered a form of plagiarism. When submitting assessed work, each student will be asked to declare whether or not s/he has received substantial help from another student or supervisor. This will include, but is not limited to, rewriting or rephrasing large sections of the work. Each piece of work is expected to be the original, independent work of the student, and so if this is not the case it must be declared at the beginning of the assessment process.

Proofreading, reading drafts, and suggesting general improvements are not collusion and students are encouraged to obtain a third party’s view on their essay(s). However, as an example, if a supervisor or another student carried out detailed redrafting of the entire conclusion section of an essay, this would be considered collusion.

Some projects may benefit from joint working. In this case, however, the final project carried out by each student should be original and should not overlap significantly with one another. Students considering working together should always discuss the matter with their Supervisors and/or Directors of Studies before beginning the project. This type of joint work must always be declared by both students when the work is submitted.

Authenticity of data
Some dissertations or project work may focus on analysing and drawing conclusions from a set of data. The integrity of data collection is paramount and students of any level are expected to uphold good research practice. Falsifying, or attempting to falsify, data will be treated as fraud (a form of plagiarism) and will be investigated (see The consequences of plagiarism below).

Supervisors of dissertations or projects are encouraged to carry out spot-checks on data gathered online and via traditional methods. Supervisors who have concerns regarding anomalous results should in the first instance discuss these with the student. If they are unsatisfied, they should contact the Chair or Senior Examiner to discuss. In this instance, supervisors have the right to stop the collection of data or to suspend the student’s access to a shared dataset, until the concerns can be reviewed more fully with both student and supervisor. This will be done in as timely a manner as possible so as not to impede the progress of the project or dissertation.
The Consequences of Plagiarism

Assessed work
A supervisor or examiner with concerns about potential plagiarism in work for formal assessment, whether or not the work has yet been submitted, will contact the Chair or Senior Examiner, who will liaise with the University’s Office of Student Conduct, Complaints and Appeals (OSCCA). This may lead to an investigative meeting with the student, with the potential for a formal disciplinary process.

Supervision essays
Any supervisor who finds evidence of plagiarism in a supervision essay will contact the student’s Director of Studies. The College then has the discretion to take disciplinary action. Supervisors can refuse to supervise any student whom they have found plagiarising in an essay.

Use of Originality Checking Software
The University subscribes to a service named ‘Turnitin’ that provides an electronic means of checking student work against a very large database of material from the internet, published sources and other student essays. This service also helps to protect the work submitted by students from future plagiarism. Its use helps maintain the integrity of any qualifications you are awarded by the University.

Work is submitted to Turnitin, where it is stored electronically in a database. Turnitin produces an originality report showing whether any strings of words not in quotation marks are contained in other items in its database. The originality report will then be used to inform judgements about whether or not plagiarism has occurred. The copyright of the material remains entirely with the author, and no personal data will be uploaded with the work.
Assessments

General Information

All of the HSPS Part I papers are assessed at the end of the academic year (please see the individual paper guides for information on the assessment methods for borrowed papers. The Faculty of HSPS will write to you in Michaelmas to confirm the details of how the examinations will be conducted in Easter term 2022. Please note that these assessments are likely to be online again.

When you register your paper choices on your CamSIS self-service in the Michaelmas term, you will be registering for your assessments. You will be supplied in the middle of the Lent term with an entry verification form showing your assessments, which you must sign as correct or amend. When the final list of candidates is published, you will receive a confirmation form showing your entry, the details of each assessment, and any identification number allocated to you. If your name is omitted, or printed inaccurately, or the details of the papers for which you are marked as being a candidate are incorrect, you should at once inform your Tutor, but you are not permitted to change the choice of papers signed as correct at the end of the Lent term.

The University timetables all assessments and will release a timetable generally around the middle to end of April. The timetable will be emailed to all students and will be published on the website and the Moodle site.

If you have an illness or disability, you may require some form of adjustment to the conditions under which you take your assessments. Any adjustment will depend on the nature and severity of your illness or disability. For example, you may be granted additional time if you have a disability or medical condition that could prevent you from completing your assessment within the specified time. Similarly, if you have a visual impairment, your question papers can be produced in an alternative format such as Braille or copied in large type. Colleges are responsible for submitting applications for special assessment arrangements on behalf of their students. You should be aware that the deadline for Colleges to submit applications for assessment arrangements is 31 January for the main assessment period in Easter term. You should therefore discuss your requirements with your Tutor as early as possible and in any case well before this deadline.

It is very important that any assessment candidate who:

1. finds that his or her preparation for the assessment is seriously hindered
2. withdraws from the assessment or is absent from part of the assessment
3. completes it under a disability

informs his or her Tutor of the fact and of the full circumstances whatever the cause, at the earliest possible moment.

The University publishes guidance for candidates, which is updated every year; you can find this at: http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/students/studentregistry/exams/undergraduate/.
## Complaints and Problems

We hope that your time on the Tripos will be enjoyable, but if you have any queries or concerns, here are some people who can help you:

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<td>Supervisions</td>
<td>Your <strong>Director of Studies</strong> or your College Tutor or Senior Tutor. It is important that any queries or problems about supervisions be resolved as quickly as possible; please do not wait to get in touch.</td>
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<td>Teaching/Structure of Papers</td>
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| General Issues               | **Student Representatives**  
 hsp-stripesrep@hsp.cam.ac.uk |
|                              | **Student Advice Service**  
 http://www.studentadvice.cam.ac.uk/  
 The Student Advice Service offers free, confidential, and independent support to all Cambridge University students. They can assist with all aspects of your studies, whether you need academic or pastoral support, assistance with a disability, accommodation or visa problems, childcare, or careers information. |
| Timetabling                  | **Part I Administrator**  
 part1-administrator@cam.ac.uk |
|                              | **Teaching Administrator**  
 facultyteachingadmin@hsp.cam.ac.uk |
| Part I overall               | The **Part I Administrator** will forward queries or concerns to the HSPS Tripos Management Committee for discussion.  
 part1-administrator@cam.ac.uk |
Moving on to Part II

At the start of the second year, you will start to specialise in one of any of the single or joint subject tracks below:

**Single subject tracks:**
- Politics & International Relations
- Social Anthropology
- Sociology

**Joint subject tracks:**
- Politics and Sociology
- Social Anthropology and Politics
- Social Anthropology and Religious Studies (Modern Religion)
- Sociology and Social Anthropology
- Sociology and Criminology

It is not possible to change your track between the second and third years of study, unless you change from one of the joint subject tracks to one of the single tracks within it (e.g., changing from the joint Politics and Sociology track to either Politics or Sociology single subject tracks).

You are not required to have taken any of the first year papers in a particular subject in order to choose that track in Part II; however, we **strongly** recommend that you do so as this will give you the best foundation for starting Part II. Your DoS can help you discuss your options.

All subjects very strongly recommend that students who have received a mark below 50 on the first year paper(s) reconsider specialising in that subject in Part II; if you have struggled with the subject in your first year then the increased demands and more rigorous study in Part II may be difficult to manage.

Your Director of Studies will be able to give you more information about any of the subject tracks, and our website also provides more detail. However, you can also contact any of the Departments:

- Politics & International Relations: ugadmin@polis.cam.ac.uk
- Social Anthropology: undergraduate-enquiries@socanth.cam.ac.uk
- Sociology: enquiries@sociology.cam.ac.uk

It is also possible to continue to borrow papers from other Triposes in Part II of the course, including: Archaeology, Criminology, Economics, History, History and Philosophy of Science, Psychological and Behavioural Sciences.
Appendix 1: Maps of Faculty Locations

Dept of POLIS
Alison Richard Building

Dept of Social Anthropology
Cockcroft Lecture Theatre
Lecture Room A

Dept of Archaeology
Haddon Library

Mill Lane Lecture Rooms
Temporary location of the Dept of Sociology

Sidgwick Lecture Block
Little Hall
Lady Mitchell Hall

Sidgwick Site
Department of Sociology Entrance –
Please note that the Department of Sociology is currently located at 16A Mill Lane

Faculty of HSPS Admin Office

Department of Social Anthropology Entrance

Student Services Building, Lecture Room A

Babbage Lecture Theatre

Haddon Library and Dept of Archaeology
Entrance to the Department of Politics and International Studies and Alison Richard Building

The Seeley Library

The Lady Mitchell Hall

Entrance to the Sidgwick Lecture Block
Appendix 2: Departmental Websites

You can find more information about any of the individual Departments within HSPS Tripos at the following websites:

- HSPS Tripos site:  www.hsps.cam.ac.uk
- Politics & International Relations:  www.polis.cam.ac.uk
- Social Anthropology:  www.socanth.cam.ac.uk
- Sociology:  www.sociology.cam.ac.uk