How to Make Preliminary Tutorial Choices for WEPO
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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**

- Anthropological Theory
- Anthropology of South Asia
- Anthropology of West Africa
- Cultural Representations, Beliefs, Practices
- Medical Anthropology
- Modern Egypt
- Archaeology of Anglo-Saxon England, c. 600-750
- Farming and Early States in Sub-Saharan Africa

**Biochemistry (typically without labs)**

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**Biology (typically without labs)**

- Cancer Immunology
- Developmental & Stem Cell Biology
- Ecology
- Human Genetics
- Immunology

**Chemistry (typically without labs)**

- Inorganic Chemistry
- Organic Chemistry

**Classics**

- Homer’s Iliad
- Horace
- Livy
- Latin Historical Linguistics
- Lucretius
- Ovid
- Plautus
- Roman History 46 B.C. to A.D. 54
- Satire
- Epic
- Tragedy

**Computer Science**

- BioInformatics
- Imperative Programming
- Design & Analysis of Algorithms
- Computational Linguistics
- Models of Computation
- Computer Graphics
- Machine Learning
- Computers in Society
**Economics (arranged through Economics)**
- Microeconomics (MT)
- Macroeconomics (HT)
- Quantitative Economics (similar to Econ 255, TT)
- Behavioural and Experimental Economics (MT, HT)
- Development of the World Economy since 1800 (all terms, lectures in TT)
- Econometrics (a theoretical elective, MT)
- Economics of Developing Countries (HT)
- Economics of Industry (MT)
- Environmental Economics and Climate Change (HT)
- Finance (HT)
- Game Theory (HT)
- International Economics (MT)
- Labour Economics and Industrial Relations (HT)
- Money & Banking (MT)
- Public Economics (MT, HT, lectures in MT)

**English**
- 20th Century Novel
- American Novel Since 1945
- Critical Theory and the History of Criticism
- History, Theory, and Use of the English Language
- Psychoanalysis and Literature
- 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
- Old Norse
- Virginia Woolf
- Shakespeare

**Geography**
- Human Geography
- International Migration
- Geopolitics in the Margins

**History (see attached “Doing History at Oxford” for specific electives)**
- 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

**History of Art**
- Methodologies
- Experience of Modernity
- Politics, Culture, and Art in Renaissance Italy – Venice and Florence
- Formation of the Islamic World
- Curating and Crisis
- European Cinema
- Chinese Cinema

**Law**
- Constitutional Law
- Criminal Law
- International Public Law
- Jurisprudence
- Medical Law and Ethics

**Mathematics/Statistics**
- Abstract Algebra
- Algebraic Number Theory
- Analytic Number Theory
- Applied Probability
- Applied Statistics
- Complex Analysis
- Differential Equations
- Foundations of Statistical Inference
- Galois Theory
- Graph Theory
- Integration
- Intro to Groups, Rings, and Fields
- Model Theory
Number Theory
Philosophy of Maths
Probability
Real Analysis
Statistics and Data Analysis
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
Advanced Paper in Theories of Justice
British Politics and Government since 1900
Comparative Political Economy
International Relations in the Era of the Cold War
International Relations in the Era of the Two World Wars
Modern British Politics
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
Psychopathology
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
Contemporary Theology and Culture
Foundations of Buddhism
God, Christ, and Salvation
Introduction to the Study of Religions
Jesus and the Gospels
John Henry Newman
Kierkegaard
Sufism
There are also three fellows associated with Williams who are available to teach tutorials to WEPO students:

Dr. Natasha Simonova is the Rankin Fellow in English. Her focus is English literature, 1550-1830. She is particularly interested in the rise of the novel and women’s writing.

Dr. Dexnell Peters is the Boskey Fellow in History. His research interests span the areas of Atlantic World, Global, Imperial, early American, Latin American and Caribbean History. He is available to teach courses on the General History of the Caribbean, Greater Caribbean, History of the Atlantic World, Age of Revolutions, Comparative Empires, the British Empire, History of Cartography and on the History of Global Capitalism.

Charlotte Elves is the Singer Fellow in Medical Law and Ethics, beginning in Michaelmas 2019. Her thesis focuses on the legal regulation of gene drives in non-human organisms, but her research interests extend into broader questions relating to the role of law regulating the transformative potential and risks of emerging technologies, including the use of Artificial Intelligence in medical treatment.

**Looking for other options?**
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.
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:
https://www.history.ox.ac.uk/ba-history

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

You may want to consider the special tutorials of our Boskey Fellow, Dexnell Peters. See his course offerings above 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 communicate with the Director during the first week of May of your sophomore year. 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 next page). 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 next page)
- **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”

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 Crusades 1095-1291
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. The Iberian Global Century, 1550-1650
12. Court Culture and Art in Early Modern Europe, 1580–1700
13. War and Society in Britain and Europe, c.1650-1815
14. The Metropolitan Crucible, London 1685-1815
15. The First Industrial Revolution, 1700–1870
16. Medicine, Empire and Improvement, 1720 to 1820
17. The Age of Jefferson, 1774–1826
18. Culture and Society in France from Voltaire to Balzac
19. Nationalism in Western Europe, 1799-1890
20. Intellect and Culture in Victorian Britain
22. The Middle East in the Age of Empire, 1830-1971
23. Imperialism and Nationalism, Sub-Saharan Africa, 1830-1980
24. Imperialism and Nationalism: Maritime South-East Asia 1830-1975
25. Modern Japan, 1868–1972
26. Development of the World Economy since 1800 – register through Economics
27. Nationalism, Politics and Culture in Ireland, c.1870–1921
28. A Global War, 1914–1919
29. China since 1900
30. The Soviet Union, 1924–1941
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
37. Modern Mexico, 1876-1994

PRELIMS: Optional Subjects

1. Theories of the State (Aristotle, Hobbes, Rousseau, Marx)
2. The Age of Bede 660-740
3. Early Gothic France 110-1150
4. Conquest and Frontiers: England and the Celtic People 1150-1220
5. English Chivalry and the French War 1330-1400
7. Nature and Art in Renaissance
8. Witch-craft and Witch-hunting in Early Modern Europe
10. Conquest and Colonization: Spain and America in the 16th Century
11. Revolution and Empire in France 1789-1815
12. Women, Gender and the Nation: Britain 1789-1825
13. The Romance of the People: the Folk Revival from 1760-1914
14. Haiti and Louisiana: the Problem of Revolution in the Age of Slavery
15. The Rise and Crises of European Socialisms 1883-1921
16. Radicalism in Britain 1965-1975