

## Discover History – June 24th, 2014

**For: Year 12 students and other students interested in studying History and related subjects at degree level**

**Find out more via:** <http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/discover-days/summer-2013/history/>

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This event is completely free to any students wanting to find out more about studying History at degree level. 'History' covers a range of exciting subjects that can be explored at The University of Manchester. Courses can include modules on ancient, medieval, modern and economic and social history, as well as the history of science, technology and medicine, and students can specialise in topics that include British, European, American, African and Asian history. History can be studied with various combinations of subjects, including Politics, Economics, American Studies and Sociology. There is also a range of history-related courses, including Archaeology, Art History, Classics and Ancient History, as well as Museum Studies.

### **Why Study History?**

The event will be useful, engaging, and fun for any students interested in the power of history to teach us about our present as well as our past, how the collection/development of history itself changes over time; or how history impacts on our understanding of other disciplines such as global history, politics, business, and the arts.

### **What to expect on the day:**

This day will give you the chance to explore the variety of degrees and course options available within the study of History at Manchester, as well as gain information on the diverse range of potential career opportunities open to History graduates. Our History staff and students (from ancient history, archaeology, and arts history, amongst others) will be available throughout the day, and there will be a dedicated Q&A session with our current students. The day will also include a campus tour where you can see some of the teaching spaces, learning facilities and social spaces on our Oxford Road campus

### **Developing key skills for a range of future careers:**

Throughout the day, visiting students will see how degrees in History and associated subjects create graduates with highly developed language and communication skills; a greater capacity for both team-working and independent working; and exceptional critical and analytical skills.

### **FAQs:**

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- Can teachers book large groups on in one go? No, please ask your students to book on individually. Teachers are welcome to accompany students though.
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# Discover Social Anthropology – June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**For:** Year 12 students and other students interested in studying Social Anthropology at degree level

**Find out more via:** <http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/discover-days/summer-2013/social-anthropology/>

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This event is completely free to any students wanting to find out more about this fascinating subject. Through a series of interactive talks and workshops, participants will gain hands-on experience of this fascinating area, and there will be plenty of opportunities during the day to put your questions to university teachers, researchers and students.

## **Why study Social Anthropology?**

What makes men and women different? How do elites maintain their power? Does the supernatural exist? What do clothes say about the wearer? Are you what you eat? If any of these questions are ones you'd like to answer, then come along to Discover Social Anthropology and find out more! The Discover Social Anthropology Day offers invaluable insight into the study of social and cultural diversity across the world. This day caters both for students with some knowledge of anthropology and those who know little but are curious. With its prime focus on 'world cultures', you can come to social anthropology with a wide range of academic backgrounds and enthusiasms. As well as touching on politics, economics, law, kinship and religion, for example, social anthropology also focuses on language, images, aesthetics, dance, the body, music, ritual and more. In fact, social anthropologists are interested in all the diverse, creative and destructive things that human beings get up to.

## **What to expect on the day:**

Through a range of interactive sessions including talks, workshops, a tour, and a film and discussion, participants will gain hands-on experience of this fascinating subject area and how it is taught at Manchester. Participants will work with social anthropologists who are currently carrying out research in different parts of the world and who teach the subject at Manchester, and there will be plenty of opportunities during the day to put your questions to staff and current students. This event also includes a special parallel CPD activity for attending teachers, who would like to find out more about the subject and what resources, support and materials are available to them.

## **Developing key skills for a range of future careers:**

Anthropologists study the answers that peoples around the world have offered to age-old questions. But they also explore issues that are very much of our time. An anthropology degree prepares you for a broad range of careers in which an understanding of cultural diversity across the globe is crucial. Teachers, lawyers, business people, civil servants, aid workers, journalists, designers and many more all now need to know about the world beyond their own.

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# Discover English – June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**For: Year 12 students and other students interested in studying English and related subjects at degree level**

**Find out more via:** <http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/discover-days/summer-2013/english/>

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This event is completely free to any students wanting to find out more about studying English at degree level. So many students enjoy studying English for GCSEs and A2, but are unclear as to what studying English at University will be like. The subject title 'English' covers a range of thought-provoking and exciting subjects that can be explored at university. Through a series of interactive talks and workshops, participants will gain hands-on experience of this fascinating area, and there will be plenty of opportunities during the day to put your questions to university teachers, researchers and students.

## **Why study English?**

At The University of Manchester, English related courses include: English Literature, English Language, Drama, Anglo-Saxon History, Linguistics and American Studies. Different periods are studied, including Victorian literature, 18th Century and post-war texts, and include a range of media, including books, poems, drama and film. Degree courses can also include a combination of subjects including a range of European, Middle Eastern and Asian languages. This day will give you a taste of the range of opportunities available within the study of English and the diverse range of potential career opportunities this will open up to you.

## **What to expect on the day:**

This day has a broad appeal to students with an interest in English Literature, English Language and Linguistics, and the history, technique and theory of these subject areas. Alongside English sessions, students will also have an opportunity to find out more about Drama and Film Studies the University; and the role of English in the study of education; and how English can also be studied alongside History and other Languages.

## **Developing key skills for a range of future careers:**

Throughout the day, visiting students will see how degrees in English and associated subjects create graduates with highly developed language and communication skills; a greater capacity for both team-working and independent working; and exceptional critical and analytical skills. Any student interested in communication, presentation, the power of language, and the relationship of English and Drama studies to global history, politics and business, and the arts, will be sure to enjoy and be enthused by this day.

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# Discover Philosophy – July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014

**For:** Year 12 students and other students interested in studying Philosophy at degree level

**Find out more via:** <http://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/aspiring-students/discover-days/summer-2014/philosophy/>

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This event is completely free to any students wanting to find out more about this fascinating subject. Through a series of interactive talks and workshops, participants will gain hands-on experience of this fascinating area, and there will be plenty of opportunities during the day to put your questions to university teachers of philosophy, students, and even a best-selling philosophy author.

## **So why indeed study Philosophy?**

What makes our actions right or wrong? Is it OK to torture one innocent person in order to save the lives of a thousand others? Does God exist? How can we know anything about the world around us? Is my mind just my brain? Should we trust doctors more than homeopaths? What is truth? Is democracy better than dictatorship? Is it rational to fear death? What is time? If you find these kinds of questions interesting, then come along to Why Study Philosophy? and find out more! The event is aimed at year 11 students, whether they are considering studying at Manchester or elsewhere, and whether or not they are studying or have any prior knowledge of philosophy. You can come to philosophy with any academic background: you just need curiosity and an open mind. Philosophy asks – and tries to answer – the kinds of deep and puzzling questions that other subjects don't answer. So if you're interested in truth, beauty, right and wrong, justice, the nature of science, how language works, the meaning and value of life, the existence of God, the difference between rational and irrational beliefs ... then philosophy is for you.

## **Developing key skills**

When studying for a degree in philosophy, students don't simply learn about philosophical questions and how philosophers have attempted to answer them. Instead, the focus is on doing philosophy for oneself: thinking through the questions, analysing and criticising existing answers, and trying to think of new answers – and indeed new questions. Students learn how to argue carefully and persuasively, without ignoring other people's views for no good reason and without relying on the kind of rhetoric we find in the media and in politics. Throughout the day, visiting students will see how philosophy creates graduates with highly developed language and communication skills and exceptional critical and analytical skills. Most importantly, it creates people who can think carefully and creatively for themselves.

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