

# **MA in Tudor History: Dynastic Politics, Religion & Culture 1485-1603 by Research**

Qualification	Start Date	FT or PT	Entry Requirements	Assessment
Master of Arts (MA)	October	Full-time	First or second honours degree or relevant experience  For required level of English, please refer to <a href="http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/international/englishlanguage-requirements/">http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/international/englishlanguage-requirements/</a>	Dissertation

## **Course Outline**

This **London-based** course is an interdisciplinary programme enabling students to examine, by way of a dissertation of around 25,000 words, aspects of the history of the Tudor dynasty and its international importance.

Students will be encouraged to consider the interrelation of political, architectural, art, and social history. After the Course Director's general introduction, there will be a series of twelve seminars which explore the origins of the Tudor dynasty in the Wars of the Roses and the government of the early Tudor state (and its limitations). The reign of Henry VIII will be examined as an example of 'Renaissance monarchy'. Female monarchy and its implications for Tudor government will be another major theme. The course will also consider the material culture of Tudor England at all social levels, examining propaganda and print, architectural patronage and its development throughout the Tudor period. It will review the evidence of artistic patronage and the development of Renaissance literature and drama in the Tudor period. Reading lists will be made available before each lecture to allow for background reading and discussion with the expert speakers.



Each seminar will take place in the early evening at the Reform Club in Pall Mall, and will include a 40-minute question-and-answer session with the seminar speakers, all recognised experts in their fields.

Each seminar will be followed by a dinner at which there will be further discussion with the speaker and a general conversation about the topic in hand. The cost of the dinners is included in the tuition fees.

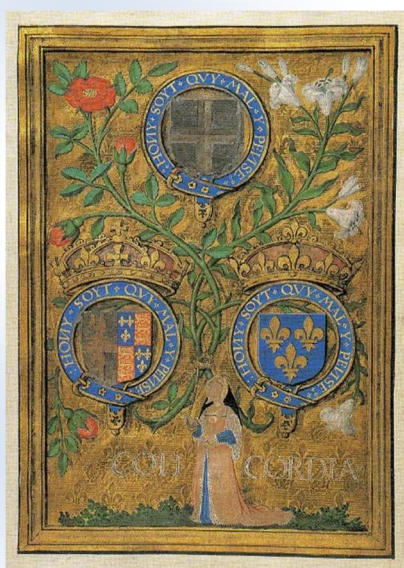
Tutorials and meetings will take place at the University of Buckingham's London offices at 51 Gower Street, Bloomsbury, WC1E 6HJ.

## The Course Director

### Glenn Richardson, FRHistS, FSA, FHA (Hon), FHEA

Glenn Richardson is Professorial Research Fellow of the Humanities Research Institute, University of Buckingham, and is also Professor of Early Modern History at St Mary's University London. He is a fellow of the Royal Historical Society, the Society of Antiquaries, and an Honorary Fellow of the Historical Association. He lectures regularly for University of Oxford's Department of Continuing Education.

His research interests are grounded in Anglo-French relations in the sixteenth century, but encompass early-modern European diplomacy and cultural exchanges more widely. His other principal areas of research are European Renaissance monarchy, the Tudor and Valois courts, and royal masculinity. Professor Richardson's most recent publication is *The Field of Cloth of Gold* (Yale UP, 2013). He is currently writing a biography of Cardinal Wolsey.



## Assessment

Assessment is by means of a dissertation of approximately 25,000 words, which is submitted at the end of the academic year. Students spend the period between April and September writing up their dissertations under expert supervision from their allocated tutor.

## Associate Students

As an alternative to the full MA programme, we also offer the option of enrolling as an Associate student, whereby the seminar series may be enjoyed as a self-contained survey. Associate students have the opportunity to attend the seminars and dinners, but do not submit any written work and are therefore not awarded a qualification at the end of the programme.

## Fees

The fees for the MA are £8,560 for UK/EU students and £15,550 for International students.

The fees to attend as an Associate are £3,325 for UK/EU students.

Further information about fees and fee status can be found on our postgraduate tuition fees page: <http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/admissions/fees/postgraduate>.

For more information and to apply, please visit:  
**[www.buckingham.ac.uk/humanities/ma/tudor-history](http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/humanities/ma/tudor-history)**

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