



South Asia and International Development

South Asian Studies in Edinburgh:

The Centre for South Asian Studies is an internationally recognised hub of South Asia expertise, one of the four leading centres for South Asian Studies in the UK. For social sciences, it offers a wider range of expertise than anywhere else in the UK and it is a leader within Europe. It has a very successful research track record and its members have been consistently rated as outstanding in the UK's RAE since 1990.



A major role of the Centre is to promote and co-ordinate interdisciplinary undergraduate and postgraduate teaching about the South Asian sub-continent – the countries of Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

At postgraduate level we offer several programmes. These include the interdisciplinary MSc by Research in South Asian Studies and the MSc in South Asia and International Development. Along with other students studying South Asia within disciplinary programmes, we have a large, flourishing, intellectually lively and international community of PhD students and post-doctoral researchers working on a broad range of theoretical, methodological and substantive topics.



The Centre holds conferences and workshops and runs a regular seminar programme. It also administers visiting Fellowships and fosters research links and exchange programmes with Universities elsewhere in Europe and in South Asia.

MSc in South Asia and International Development:

The MSc in South Asia and International Development draws on the extensive cross-disciplinary work on South Asia and on development in the Centre for South Asian Studies and the University of Edinburgh more broadly. It is the only UK postgraduate international development programme with an explicit South Asia focus.



It will enable you to explore a region that compels us to address some of the most crucial global political, economic and social issues that confront us all in the twenty-first century. Perturbing questions are raised by the co-existence of enduring poverty and inequity with apparently dynamic social and economic change: How does development take place in South Asia and how has it been shaped by history? What roles do the various states play in development actions? What roles are – or should – be played by non-state actors?

Masters students complete six courses and a dissertation. The two core courses contextualise and analyse the historical and contemporary processes that have shaped poverty and underdevelopment in South Asia. The four optional courses and the dissertation facilitate the building of tailored programmes to suit particular professional and academic interests.

The programme is available on a full-time basis over one year and a part-time basis over two years.

The programme will appeal to people from a wide range of professional and disciplinary backgrounds who are interested in pursuing careers in development agencies, consultancy, the public sector and non-governmental organisations as well as academia.

What you need to know:

Funding

We offer bursaries for the MSc in South Asia and International Development and MSc applicants can apply for Saltire Awards, Chevening and University of Edinburgh Scholarships, among others.

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