

ICS English MA Thesis Supervisors' Topic Areas (Autumn 2020)

Eaton, Mark Ølholm

Globalization studies; nationalisms and national identities; international relations; transnationalism; transnational identities; cosmopolitanism; peace and conflict studies.

Firth, Alan

Intercultural communication, English as a World Language, English as a Business Lingua Franca, English as a Lingua Franca, Interaction in Business Encounters, Shopping, Haggling, Sales Talk, Tourist Interactions, Service Encounters, Conversation Analysis, Spoken Discourse Analysis, Multimodality.

Harding, David

All aspects of American History and Society; History of the British Empire; Special Relationship between the UK and US; Native American and First Nations Literature; Film and other Media Representations; Beat Generation and 1960s Literature – including song lyrics as literary texts; Literature of the Fantastic – especially Tolkien; The Western Genre in Film, Literature and Popular Culture; Graphic Novels; Media Studies in general; Globalization; Intercultural Communication; Political Communication; Corporate Communication. Additionally, various aspects of Intercultural Studies including Globalization, Intercultural Communication (including business, political and personal contexts), and Global Media (TV, Film, Music, and the Internet), with an emphasis in all three areas on the impacts, both positive and negative, that result from inter- and cross-cultural contacts.

Jacobsen, Ushma Chauhan

Inter/Transcultural communication, cosmopolitanism, global citizenship, professional and organizational communication, NGO communication, English as a global/international language, transcultural media flows, cultural and creative industries, cultural intermediaries, cultural translation.

Joyce, Stephen

All media topics, such as film, television, digital media, and transmedia storytelling; Asian American history and culture; colonial and postcolonial theories and cultures (in relation to either East Asia or Ireland); apocalypticism and apocalyptic rhetoric; tragedy and tragic theory.

Khair, Tabish

South Asian History and Literature, Postcolonial Literature(s), Postcolonial Theory, 20th Century British Literature (poetry and fiction only), Travel Writing, Gothic Fiction, Racism, Xenophobia, some aspects of Transcultural Studies.

McQuaid, Sara Dybris

20th-21st British and Irish politics and society and Four Nations history. Particularly contemporary Northern Ireland, Brexit, Abortion and historical and contemporary debates about nationalism, ethnicity, multiculturalism and intercultural dialogue. Peace building and Conflict studies in general – and particularly Northern Ireland and creative processes of reconciliation. Transnationalism in general, and particularly in political culture, social movements, memory and migration. Memory Studies in general, and particularly in commemorating war; building peace and migration of memories.

Sencindiver, Susan Yi

Sexuality, body, motherhood, age, and gender studies in literature, culture, and media; identity, otherness, and alterity; critical feminisms (especially intersectionality, new materialism, postfeminism, fourth wave); post-constructionist frameworks and the material turn; contemporary celebrity- and popular culture (especially in relation to race, class and gender, new media, participatory politics, and activism); adaptation and remediation; Gothic studies (primarily the long 19th century); psychoanalytic theory (Freudian, Feminist, Queer, Lacanian, Žižekian).

Stephan, Matthias

Transcultural Studies and Intercultural Theory, Adaptation and Adaptation Theory, Fandom Studies, Transmedia Storytelling, Cultural Industries, Film, Literary and TV Tourism, Media and Television Studies. Crime Fiction (in particular Detective Fiction), Science Fiction, Afrofuturism, Cannibalism in Literature, Romanticism, Women Writers, Gothic (including Ecogothic and Dark Ecology). Postmodernism, Postmodern Theory and Criticism, Modernism (including Late Modernism and the Harlem Renaissance), Critical Race Theory, American Literature.

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