

**Islamic & West Asian Studies; (MA); 3314  
September 2019 intake**

The purpose of this information sheet is to provide prospective students and applicants with further information about the nature of this degree, in order to help you decide if it is the right choice for you. Should you have any further questions, contact information is provided at the end of the flyer.

Please note, this programme is currently being developed and will be reviewed with care as part of our validation process, to ensure that it meets the academic quality and standard required for a Royal Holloway degree.

In the event that significant changes are made to the programme during the validation process, the College will notify you and the information on this document will be updated. If you have any further questions, you can contact the College’s Admissions team by email at [study@royalholloway.ac.uk](mailto:study@royalholloway.ac.uk).

**Section 1 – degree programme structure**

Awarding institution	Royal Holloway, University of London
Accreditation(s) (where applicable)	n/a
Standard length of degree	52 weeks
Available part-time	Yes – 2-5 years part-time

The following table summarises the compulsory modules, which Royal Holloway refers to as mandatory course units, offered on this degree programme each year. The module titles, and methods of teaching and assessment are provided for indicative purposes only and are subject to change in line with the College’s validation process:

Course unit name	Credits	Mandatory	Optional
<b>PR5450</b> Islamic & West Asian Studies Dissertation	60	Yes	
<b>Mandatory Methods: one from the following:</b>			
PR5949 Researching Politics and International Relations	40		Yes
HS5450 History Past and Present	20		Yes
HS5217 Research Development Course	20		Yes
<b>Mandatory Courses:</b>			
<b>HS5425</b> Introduction to the Historical Study of the Modern Muslim World	20	Yes	
<b>PR5963</b> Islam and West Asia in International Relations	20	Yes	
<b>Options:</b>			
Politics and International Relations Units exploring Political Theory	20		Yes
Politics and International Relations Units exploring International Relations	20		Yes
Politics and International Relations Units exploring Political Communication	20		Yes
History: Units exploring Islam	20		Yes

History: Units exploring the Middle East	20		Yes
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## Section 2 – degree programme costs

Essential costs*	No further costs.
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\* These estimated costs relate to studying this particular degree programme at Royal Holloway. Costs, such as accommodation, food, books and other learning materials and printing etc., have not been included, and further information regarding these can be found on our website.

## Section 3 – useful vocabulary

We understand some of the terminology used in this document may be new to you, and may differ from that used by other universities. To help with this, we have provided a brief description for some of the most important terminology:

*Degree programme* – Also referred to as ‘degree course’ or simply ‘course’, these terms refer to the qualification you will be awarded upon successful completion of your studies.

*Course unit* – Also referred to as ‘module’, this refers to the individual units you will study each year to complete your degree programme. Masters programmes consist of a number of taught course units – some mandatory and some optional - plus a dissertation/ project to the value of 180 UK credits in total. On completion of a minimum of 120 UK credits a student may be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma, while on completion of a minimum of 60 credits a student may be awarded a Postgraduate Certificate. Some Masters programmes may have progression requirements (where they are offered over more than one year of study) or pass requirements for degree title if they are accredited by a professional body.

*H/EU* – Different categories of students pay different levels of tuition fees. H/EU stands for students with Home or European Union fee status.

*Overseas* – Non-EU students are liable to pay the overseas rate of tuition fees, and are sometimes also referred to as international students.

## Section 4 – contact information

If you have any further questions, you can contact the Admissions team by email at [study@royalholloway.ac.uk](mailto:study@royalholloway.ac.uk).

This information is final at the time of publication (24/05/2019) and supersedes any previous information provided in publications or on Royal Holloway’s website.