

MPhil in Modern South Asian Studies

Academic staff associated with the MPhil, 2019-20

Those involved in teaching the MPhil are internationally known scholars in their areas of specialisation. In addition to those listed here, a number of other distinguished academics in Cambridge occasionally supervise, teach, or examine for the course.

Dr Edward Anderson

**Senior Research Fellow, ONLINERPOL Project,
Institute of Ethnology, LMU and formerly Smuts
Research Fellow, CSAS**

Main research interests: Indian politics and contemporary history, diasporas and migration, the internet and social media, transnational networks, long-distance nationalism, multiculturalism, hybridity, the politics of the Indian diaspora.

Dr Maan Barua

**Lecturer in Human Geography, Department of
Geography**

Main research interests: urban ecology, more-than-human geographies, biodiversity conservation and the politics of lively capital.

Professor Susan Bayly
(Christ's College)

**Professor of Historical Anthropology, Department of
Social Anthropology**

Main research interests: the study of modernity and achievement; globalisation; theories of historical change; the disciplinary interface between history and anthropology; colonialism and its cultural afterlife in Vietnam and India, and beyond.

Dr Anjali Bhardwaj-Datta
(Wolfson College)

Temporary Lecturer in the Faculty of History

Main research interests: gender and urban space in post-colonial Delhi, women's informalities and patterns of urban change in modern South Asia.

Dr Patrick Clibbens
(Trinity College)
On leave Michaelmas Term 2019

Teaching Associate in South Asian Studies

Main research interests: South Asian politics and history, public opinion, social policy, history of political thought, diaspora politics.

Dr Shailaja Fennell
(Jesus College)
**On leave Lent and Easter Terms
2020**

**University Lecturer in Development Studies
attached to the Department of Land Economy**
Main research interests: institutional reform and
collective action, food production and rural
development; gender norms and gender gaps in
development interventions, and provision of public
goods and the role of partnerships.

Dr Nitya Khemka
(Clare Hall)

Affiliated Lecturer, Centre of Development Studies
Main research interest: enabling the welfare state in
the 21st century; localizing the sustainable
development goals for Indian states; local
conceptualisations of quality in education at the
village level.

Mr Aishwarj Kumar
(St Catharine's College)

**Language teaching officer in Hindi, Faculty of Asian
and Middle Eastern Studies**
Main research interests: language and literature,
Indian culture, cinema and the media.

Dr Perveez Mody
(King's College)

**University Lecturer, Department of Social
Anthropology**
Main research interests: South Asia; marriage,
kinship, urban sexuality; theories of caste and
community; human rights.

Dr Kamal Munir

Reader in Strategy & Policy, Judge Business School
Main research interests: Social and institutional
change and stability; technological shifts in society;
emergence of new markets; socio-economic changes
in South Asia and Africa; economic development and
competitiveness of developing countries.

Luna Sabastian
(Wolfson College)

**Smuts Research Fellow at the Centre of South Asian
Studies, 2019-21**
Main research interests: late-nineteenth and
twentieth-century Indian intellectual history and
political thought; anti-colonial nationalism; Hindutva;
global fascism; political modernity and violence;
themes of race and caste.

Dr Andrew Sanchez
(Trinity Hall)

Lecturer, Department of Social Anthropology
Main research interests: Capitalism, class,
corruption, economy, India, industry, organised
crime, urban anthropology, work and labour.

Dr Saumya Saxena
(Jesus College)

**British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow, Faculty of
History**

Main research interests: a legal historian interested in family law, religion and gender politics in India. Women's rights movements, religion and law in late 20th and 21st century South Asia.

Professor Samita Sen
(Trinity College)

Vere Harmsworth Professor, Faculty of History
Main research interests: South Asian History and Society, Global History, Colonialism and Post-colonial Studies, Gender Studies, Labour Studies, Education (especially Higher Education), Migration, Women's Movement, Trade Union Movements, Transport workers, Domestic workers (and their movements), History of domesticity, Slavery and Indenture, History of Marriage Systems and Legal History.

Dr Partha Pratim Shil
(Trinity College)

Junior Research Fellow, Trinity College
Main research interests: labour history of police constables and village watchmen in colonial Bengal; social and economic history of South Asia, history of government workers in colonial India, and state formation.

Dr Charu Singh
(Darwin College)

Adrian Research Fellow, Darwin College
Main research interests: South Asia; history of knowledge and science; genre, language, and translation; cultures and technologies of print; gender and technology; concepts in circulation; colonialism and empire.

Professor Sujit Sivasundaram
(Gonville and Caius College)

Professor of World History, Director of the Centre of South Asian Studies
Main research interests: late-eighteenth and early-nineteenth centuries in the Indian and Pacific Oceans, with a special emphasis on South and South-East Asia and Polynesia.

Dr Maryam Tanwir

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Centre of Development Studies
Main research interests: Gender and trade interface, with a special focus on Pakistan. Maryam is also involved in research that examines the performance of performance standards and their correlation to bureaucratic efficiency.

Dr David Washbrook
(Trinity College)

Senior Research Fellow at Trinity College
Main research interests: history of South India between the 18th and 20th Century, history of Indian capitalism