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# ACADEMIC SUMMER SCHOOL IN INTER-FAITH RELATIONS

CAMBRIDGE INTER-FAITH PROGRAMME (CIP)  
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**A**re you looking for an in-depth academic course addressing inter-faith relations from different disciplinary perspectives? Do you want to learn from recognised experts in religious studies (anthropology, philosophy, theology, history, comparative studies) at one of the world's leading universities for these subjects? Are you searching for a comprehensive online programme that you can take part in from the comfort of your home? If so, the 2021 Academic Summer School in Inter-Faith Relations is for you!

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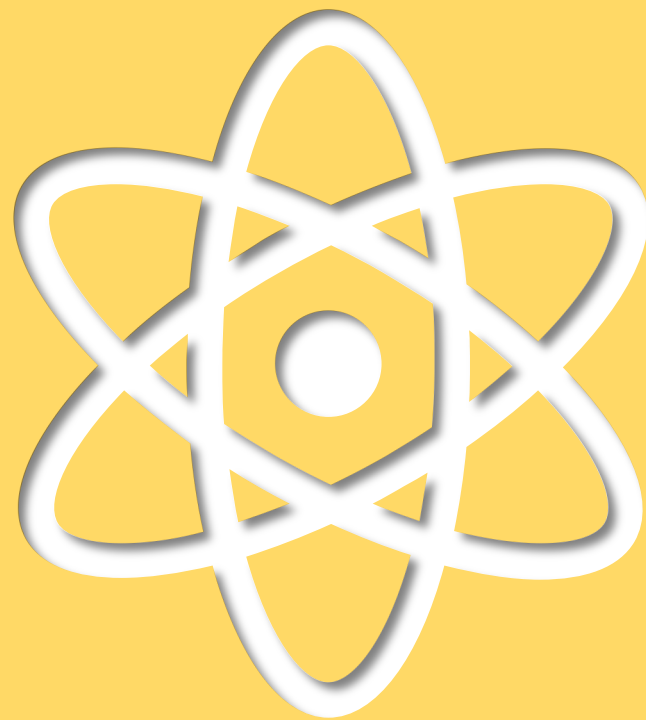
# Who are we?



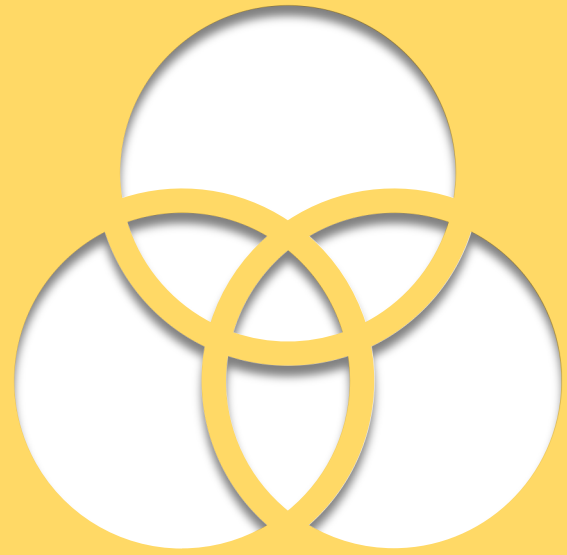
Cambridge Inter-Faith Programme (CIP) is a University of Cambridge Research Centre within the Faculty of Divinity. We hold a unique research and teaching expertise in the field of inter-faith relations, traversing disciplinary boundaries and a wide range of research geographies across the world. Read more about us on our website. Your teaching team will include experts in astrobiology, Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, inter-faith relations, Islam, Judaism, magic, religious conversion, Roma cosmologies and Zoroastrianism, from the perspectives of natural and social sciences, and the humanities.



# An inter- active course



The Summer School is fully taught by University of Cambridge academics. Building on our extensive research and teaching expertise, we will guide you through a mixture of lectures, seminar discussions, interactive workshops and immersive exercises. You will have a chance to engage in the Cambridge tradition of Scriptural Reasoning, visit a virtual photographic exhibition of Shared Sacred Landscapes, attend a film screening, participate in poetry and autoethnographic writing workshops, try out your own talents for visual research and create your own inter-faith archive! Each day includes about five hours of teaching time, punctuated by two breaks for lunch and coffee, and followed by an optional informal saloon, where you may continue your conversations with other participants and get to know each other better.



# What will you learn about?

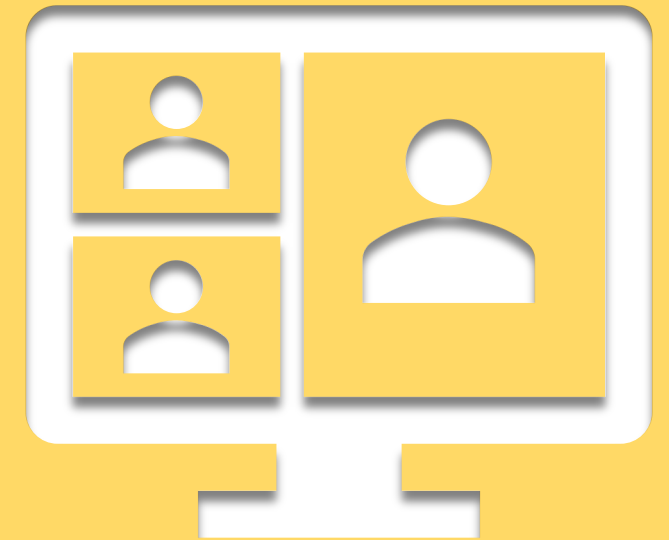
Some of the topics that we consider are:

- ◇ religious plurality & social change;
- ◇ life elsewhere in the universe as a topic for inter-faith discussion;
- ◇ magic, religion & ecology;
- ◇ religious syncretism & conflict;
- ◇ travelling saints & shared hagiographies;
- ◇ religious conversion;
- ◇ visions of hell in Jewish, Christian, Muslim & Zoroastrian perspectives;
- ◇ inter-faith music;
- ◇ scripture & violence;

- ◇ theology & poetry across religious traditions;
- ◇ Scriptural Reasoning;
- ◇ inter-faith conflict resolution;
- ◇ martyrdom & sacrifice;
- ◇ religious discourses on ethics & natural law;
- ◇ Muslim-Hindu relations in Bengal;
- ◇ indigenization of Islam into Indic idioms;
- ◇ religion & gender;
- ◇ radical dissenters & Muslims in Early Modern England;
- ◇ inter-faith relations & migration in Bosnia;
- ◇ inter-faith relations & empathy in Germany;
- ◇ shared & syncretic landscapes;
- ◇ colonialism, nationalism & religion;
- ◇ religion & state surveillance;
- ◇ the problems of 'violence' & 'evil';
- ◇ methods & methodologies for the research of inter-faith relations (archival, visual, ethnographic, phenomenological, hermeneutic).

# Online learning

All of the teaching sessions will be delivered online. Through our virtual learning platform, you will have access to all the required materials and readings prior to the start of the programme.



## Time commitment and time zones

The course will be taught intensively over two weeks (Monday to Friday). Participants will spend approximately 5 hours each day on academic activities, including lectures, seminars, workshops, guided conversations and immersive exercises. Teaching sessions start around 10:00 am GMT and finish around 17:00 pm GMT. All session will be recorded and uploaded to the Virtual Learning Environment to allow for access across different time zones. If you perceive any obstacles with the timing of the sessions, please let us know as soon as you are offered a place.

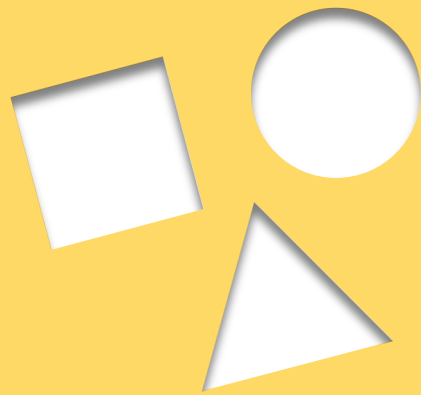




# Who is this Summer School for?

No prior subject knowledge is required, but you are expected to have a strong interest in the field of inter-faith studies. A diversity of opinions and experiences is expected and encouraged. You may be a student, a researcher, a practitioner, a faith leader, or a curious learner looking to understand inter-faith from different perspectives. We welcome applicants without any discrimination based on ability, class, sex, gender identity or expression, sexuality, ethnicity, race, national origin or religion. We also welcome applicants of different ages, although you will need to be 18 or older when the Summer School starts (9 August 2021). To be able to fully benefit from the course, you should be able to read and discuss complex academic texts in English.





# Learning outcomes

- ◇ demonstrate familiarity and critical engagement with different theoretical and practical approaches to interfaith relations;
- ◇ understand the benefits and limits of historical, anthropological, philosophical, theological and visual methods in the study of inter-faith relations;
- ◇ gain practical experience in archival, visual and auto-ethnographic research;
- ◇ locate connections between your studies/work and scholarship on inter-faith relations;
- ◇ have a grasp of scriptural reasoning and engage in critical, comparative reading of scriptures;
- ◇ be able to discuss the relations between religious plurality, politics and subjectivity;
- ◇ develop an awareness of historical and contemporary inter-faith relations and challenges;
- ◇ gain expertise to be academic researchers, teachers, activists, religious leaders, writers, artists, public speakers, event organisers or consultants in the field.



# How do I apply?

Send us your completed Application Form by email, to [cipsummer@divinity.cam.ac.uk](mailto:cipsummer@divinity.cam.ac.uk).

The Application Form should include:

- ◇ your contact details;
- ◇ a short description (500 words maximum) of your interest in inter-faith relations;
- ◇ the name and contact details of one person who may be contacted for a letter of recommendation;
- ◇ a self-declaration of English language proficiency;
- ◇ notes about any special learning requirements.



Send your Application Form in MS Word format.

# When do I apply?



Regular applications are due by **1 June 2021**.

However, to be eligible for the early registration discount, make sure to send us your completed

**Application Form no later than 23:59 GMT on 1 May 2021.**

**Places on the course are limited.**

# Fees and discounts

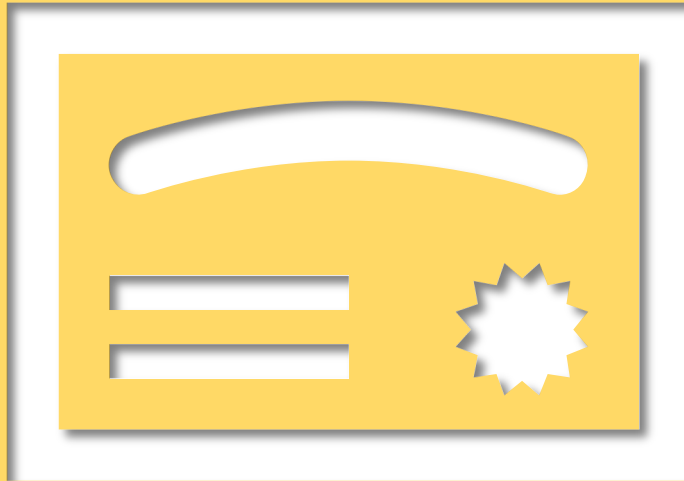


- ◇ The regular registration fee is £1,000. The deadline for regular applications is 1 June 2021.
- ◇ **We are offering an early registration discount of 20% if you apply no later than 23:59 GMT on 1 May 2021.** If you have submitted your application by the early registration deadline, you will automatically be entitled to the early registration discounted fee of £800.

You will be required to pay your registration fee within 7 days of the confirmation of acceptance into the Summer School. You will be asked to visit our online booking site to make the payment.

CIP reserves the right to amend or withdraw registration discounts at any time.

# Certificate



Upon the completion of the Summer School, CIP will provide you with a Certificate of Successful Attendance. To qualify for the certificate, you will need to participate in at least 75% of the teaching sessions.

# Credits

Those wishing to seek credits from their home institutions will be able to opt for an additional summative assignment (a 2000-word essay) due two weeks after the course. Whilst we do not offer credits ourselves, we can write to your home institution to indicate that the Summer School, at Level 1 (FHEQ 4) offers knowledge equivalent to 4 US credits, 7.5 ECTS or 15 FHEQ.





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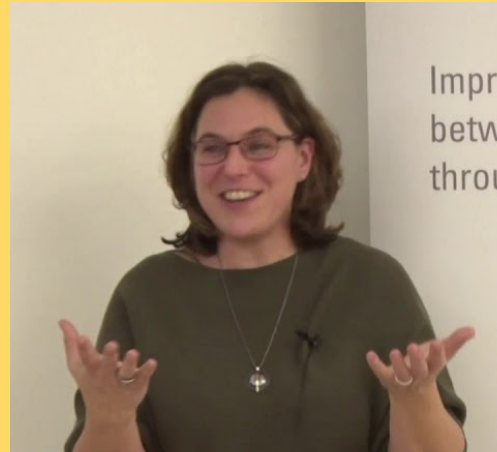


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# Terms and Conditions

Make sure to carefully read, understand and accept the Terms & Conditions of the Academic Summer School in Inter-Faith Relations 2021 before making an application. The Terms & Conditions are published on the [CIP website](#). They outline policies, rules and regulations regarding: Data Protection; Data Retention; Cancellations, Deposit and Refunds; Cancellations by CIP; Dignity Policy; Disability Policy; Equality and Diversity Policy; Freedom of Speech; Health and Safety; Student Complaints Procedure; CIP Admissions Complaints and Appeals, and Student Disciplinary Procedure.





**We look forward to  
welcoming you to the  
Academic Summer School  
in Inter-Faith Relations  
2021!**