

The International Security and Intelligence Programme and Conference 2018

*At Magdalene College in the University of Cambridge
Monday 9th July to Friday 3rd August*

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The International Security and Intelligence (ISI) Programme and Conference

A 4-week (9th July - 3rd August, 2018)

International Summer Programme at Magdalene College, Cambridge

Chaired by Sir Richard Dearlove, former Head of the British Secret Intelligence Service, this four-week Summer Programme is a unique opportunity to study with leading academics and practitioners from the intelligence and security communities in the historic setting of one of the world's most renowned universities.

Through the lens of professional practitioners of the craft and former senior officials closely involved in the world of intelligence, students will explore the role of the intelligence and security agencies in a democratic society. Participants will consider the claims of state secrecy, the threat of nuclear proliferation, of cyber attack, of terrorism, the problems generated by the demand for regional security and the challenges revolutions and diversity pose to security. Intelligence collection, analysis of the product, and its dissemination to customers remain at the core of the intelligence cycle, while counterintelligence and covert action play more opaque but still vital roles and will form central themes.

ISI models its approach on that offered at Cambridge. Setting the tone and direction of the Programme are 45hrs of research-enriched tuition. Through lectures, seminars, a 2-day conference and 'supervisions', ISI students will explore the role of the intelligence and security agencies in democratic societies. The panoply of threats facing the modern world is diverse and the issues which preoccupy the highest levels of government will be discussed and analysed.

ISI students will undertake guided research into a self-selected security or intelligence theme through a series of supervisions, a method at the heart of Cambridge teaching which brings together a small group of students with an expert in their field. Students will also attend a two-day conference in Cambridge examining 'National Security Policy in a Changing World'. An eminent line-up of speakers from the intelligence and academic worlds will be announced early in 2018; speakers in previous years have included Sir Richard Dearlove, Lord Wilson, Professor Lord Hennessy, Professor Sir David Omand, James Pavitt and Patrick Calvar, retiring Head of the DGSI.

Applications are invited from those with an academic or professional interest in statecraft and the interlocking themes of intelligence, security, defence and foreign policy formation and implementation.

Collegiate life will revolve around Magdalene College, founded in 1428. Its idyllic riverside location at the heart of Cambridge ensures that participants can enjoy both the peace and quiet of the College's courts and gardens and everything the City centre has to offer.

The Chair of the Programme, Sir Richard Dearlove KCMG, OBE, former Master of Pembroke College Cambridge, served as Chief of the British Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) from August 1999 until 2004.

Convening the programme will be Michael S Goodman, BA(Hons), MA, PhD, FRHistS Professor of Intelligence and International Affairs, Department of War Studies, King's College London, a specialist in intelligence history and Official Historian of the Joint Intelligence Committee, and Dr David Gioe, currently Assistant Professor of History at the United States Military Academy at West Point, having previously spent a decade working in the US intelligence community, including roles in the FBI, the CIA and the Office of Naval Intelligence.