



British Foreign Relations: Through Empire and Beyond

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- Assistant Professor in UK foreign relations
 - Expert on UK foreign relations in the Middle East
 - Research interests in UK foreign relations as a legacy of the British empire.
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Themes & topics

- We'll explore how UK foreign relations have evolved historically, from empire to the present day, particularly as they relate to the Global South.
- We'll examine how Britain transformed the world by bringing many regions and peoples into a new global system, often by force.
- And we'll look at how Britain itself was transformed by these processes, in terms of its own economy, culture and identity.

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Learning outcomes: You will...

- ✓ ...demonstrate a strong grasp of the history of UK foreign relations, from empire to the present day.
- ✓ ...assess different ways of conceptualising the relationship between Britain's colonial history and its current foreign relations.
- ✓ ...critically evaluate the merits and value of various texts and sources.
- ✓ ...critically evaluate the various ways in which concepts of 'race', national and cultural identity have shaped UK foreign relations, and domestic British society and politics.



Module Format & Assessment

ASSESSMENT

- Book review: 15-minute oral assessment (30%)
- 3,500-word final essay (70%). You'll be encouraged to develop your own essay question in consultation with me.

WEEKLY 3-HOUR WORKSHOPS

- There will be a mix of small group and individual work, class discussions and lectures.
- Our format will be flexible from week to week.