

# Research Methodologies Masterclass for Doctoral Students

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Monday 15th May 15:00 – 16:30  
Room C333 Arts C

## BEYOND ETHICS: QUALITATIVE METHODOLOGIES IN TIMES OF CONFLICT

Students and postdoctoral researchers working in settings across Asia must increasingly contend with high levels of insecurity in the settings in which they are working. While there have been important mechanisms for testing the ethics of such projects, far less attention has been paid in how best to transmit knowledge to students about how to deal with the uncertainties and stresses of working in such contexts. This masterclass will bring together four researchers with extensive experience of conducting qualitative research in volatile settings.

### Dr Andreas Bandak University of Copenhagen

Dr Bandak has conducted intensive research in Syria with Christian communities and is therefore in a unique position to share his insights and experiences into working in volatile contexts and also with minority communities

### Dr Paul Anderson University of Cambridge

Dr Anderson has conducted fieldwork in Aleppo before the onset of conflict and has continued to be in contact with his research participants.

### Professor Magnus Marsden University of Sussex

Prof. Marsden has over eighteen years of fieldwork experience of working in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Central Asia.

### Dr Diana Ibanez Tirado University of Sussex

Dr Ibanez Tirado has been conducting intensive fieldwork in Tajikistan since 2008, and more recently multi-sited fieldwork in settings that include China, the post-Soviet region and West Asia.

**6pm- 8:30pm** Film-screening: 'A time for Drunken Horses' The film concerns smuggling and mobility on the Iran-Iraq border it will be of interest to students because of the representation it makes of security, human rights, and mobility in a transnational context in West Asia.  
Discussant: Mr Kouros Kouchakpour (Venue: Silverstone 309)

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