**British Cultural Studies MA Programme**

**Entrance exam project — July 2021**

Candidates will produce a written project on a topic connected with one of the agreed research areas (see the information posted on the Faculty of Letters website).

Projects will be at least 2000 words long (excluding bibliography and footnotes); text will be formatted using Times New Roman size 12 or equivalent font and 1.5 lines paragraph spacing.

References will be in accordance with the MLA or Chicago style guidelines. For details see:

<https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/mla_style/mla_formatting_and_style_guide/mla_general_format.html> *(MLA)*

<https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/chicago_manual_17th_edition/cmos_formatting_and_style_guide/chicago_manual_of_style_17th_edition.html> *(Chicago)*

Candidates are free to select the bibliography they consider relevant for the chosen topic. Each paper will have to include at least 5 bibliographical entries — books, scholarly articles, authoritative online sources.

**Assessment criteria:**

1. Relevance of the chosen topic for the field of British Cultural Studies.
2. Originality of the proposal.
3. Degree of comprehension of the chosen topic.
4. Depth of argumentation.
5. Quality of written discourse (candidates should be able to demonstrate writing skills corresponding to the C1 level of the CEFR).