

Undergraduate Study

Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic, BA (Hons)

Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic at Cambridge



Are you fascinated by medieval history, literature and languages? You can explore a range of medieval cultures on the Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic course. You'll also have the chance to do your own research using original source materials.

Number 2 in the UK for History (The Complete University Guide 2024)

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This course focuses on the history, material culture, languages and literature of the peoples of Britain, Ireland and the Scandinavian world in the earlier Middle Ages.

You'll discover medieval history while learning one or more languages and reading great works of literature in the original languages. This includes the:

- Old English poem 'Beowulf'
- epic medieval Irish tale 'Táin Bó Cúailnge' ('The Cattle Raid of Cooley')
- Icelandic sagas

Exactly which areas you study and to what depth is largely up to you.

Facilities

Our department is located in the Faculty of English building. You'll have access to:

- our impressive Cambridge University Library, one of the world's oldest university libraries
- the English Faculty Library
- libraries located within our Colleges

Course costs

When you go to university, you'll need to consider two main costs – your tuition fees and your living costs (sometimes referred to as maintenance costs).

Your living costs will include costs related to your studies that are not covered by your tuition fees. There are some general study costs that will apply for all students – you can find details of these costs here.

There are no compulsory additional course costs for ASNC. If you have any queries about resources/materials, please contact the Department.

Your future career

This challenging degree will develop your powers of argument and sharpen your analysis.

It equips you for a wide range of careers where intellectual and analytical skills are important.

Some of our graduates take advantage of the specialist opportunities open to them. They go on to:

- research and teaching in schools and universities (following further study)
- work in museums and libraries

Other graduates choose to go into careers including:

- journalism
- publishing
- banking
- law
- the Civil Service
- industry and business
- software development

Key information

Minimum offer level

A level: A*AA

IB: 41-42 points, with 776 at Higher Level

UCAS code

QQ59

Course length

BA (Hons) 3 years, full-time

Start date

October 2025

Study at

All Colleges

Applicant numbers

2023 cycle:

Applications per place: 3

Accepted: 19

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Related courses

Archaeology, BA (Hons)

English, BA (Hons)

History and Modern Languages, BA (Hons)

History, BA (Hons)

Human, Social, and Political Sciences, BA (Hons)

Linguistics, BA (Hons)