

# POSTGRADUATE INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Newsletter – July-August 2015

Welcome to the July-August newsletter about recent developments related to our suite of MA degrees in International Studies.

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## Preparations for the New Academic Year

As our current MA students continue to work on their dissertations this summer, preparations are already taking place for the new academic year. Our induction activities begin on 14 September 2015. They include an induction meeting, a study skills session, a library training meeting with our Academic Liaison Librarian and a welcome event with drinks and nibbles. Induction week is a great opportunity for new students to get to know both staff and other students on the programme. Formal teaching begins the week after on 21 September.

## Graduation

MA in International Studies students who completed their degrees in 2013-14 had the chance to meet up and celebrate their achievements at their graduation ceremony on 27 June.



## ESRC Research Seminar on Trade in UK-Africa Relations

Dr Stephen Hurt hosted the fifth seminar of a series on 'UK Africa policy after Labour'. This event, held at Oxford Brookes, discussed 'Trade in UK-Africa Relations' and the speakers included academics, a former civil servant who spent many years working on Africa in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and representatives from both Traidcraft and War on Want. Stephen also gave a presentation on some new research he is doing on the Trade Justice Movement in the UK.

## Semester Dates

Download full semester dates at:  
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