

MA students take the following modules

AHAN7002 Introduction to Cultural Astronomy and Astrology

Explore the meanings of the MA's three key words, astrology, astronomy and cosmology, examine their classical roots and modern perspectives, investigate such issues as fate and divination, and refine the skills of literary research

AHAN7035 Researching Contemporary Cosmologies

Explore beliefs and behaviour in relation to contemporary astronomy, astrology and/or cosmology, and learn the skills of qualitative research.

AHAN7003 History of Astrology

Examine major themes in the history of western astrology, and learn the skills of historical analysis.

Unless you are an Occasional Student you must take the Introduction module first

Optional Modules and Pathways and short descriptions

Our optional modules are arranged in pathways, which allow students to follow common themes across two modules.

For the MA and Postgraduate Diploma you will take the three compulsory modules, one pathway of two modules, and one additional optional module from another pathway.

For the Postgraduate Certificate you take one compulsory module and any two optional modules

Pathway 1: The Inner Cosmos

AHAN7022 Sky and Psyche (formerly Psychological Perspectives)

Investigate ideas of the sky in relation to concepts of psyche and psychology, focusing on the psychological astrology of C.G.Jung.

AHAN7011 Cosmology, Magic and Divination

Explore the theory and practices of magic and divination, especially in the classical world.

Pathway 2: Stars and Stones

AHAN7006 Sacred Geography

Investigate ideas of sacred and profane space in the natural world and the built environment with reference to the Earth, our home planet

AHAN7043 Skyscapes, Cosmology and Archaeology

Examine the history and practice of relating buildings to the sky, and learn how to measure and interpret celestial alignments to monuments, ancient and modern.

Pathway 3: Earth and Sky

AHAN 7023 Astral Religion (formerly Stellar Religion)

Explore notions of the sky as divine and the soul's relationship with the stars and sacred calendars, through cultures around the world.

AHAN 7010 Heavenly Discourses

Examine your own relationship with the sky through keeping a 'Sky Journal', and explore the way the sky is portrayed in star maps, literature and the arts.

What if I want to take additional modules?

Sometimes students wish to take additional modules in addition to those needed to gain a qualification. We do not recommend this unless you are well ahead of your schedule. This is often satisfied by the option to 'audit'. This means that you can have access to the online material for a module, and attend the online seminars, but do not need to formally enroll or pay. Another option, which some students have taken, is take modules as an occasional student after graduating.

Western and Non-western Material

Much of the raw data and scholarly material in the subject focuses on western culture. However, we allow space for the study of material from other cultures when it is available.

Time Table

Unless specified otherwise this timetable will run every year

Semester 1	Code	Module Title	Requirement	Pathway
Autumn (October)	AHAN7002	Introduction to Cultural Astronomy and Astrology	Compulsory	
Autumn (October)	AHAN7022	Sky and Psyche	Optional	Pathway 1 Inner Cosmos
Autumn (October)	AHAN7006	Sacred Geography	Optional	Pathway 2 Stars and Stones
Semester 2				
Winter (February)	AHAN7002	Introduction to Cultural Astronomy and Astrology	Compulsory	
Winter (February)	AHAN7035	Researching Contemporary Cosmologies	Compulsory	
Winter (February)	AHAN7023	Astral Religion	Optional	Pathway 3 Earth and Sky
Winter (February)	AHAN7043	Skyscapes, Cosmology and Archaeology** (formerly Archaeoastronomy)	Optional	Pathway 2 Stars and Stones
Semester 3				
Summer (April)	AHAN7003	History of Astrology	Compulsory	
Summer (April)	AHAN7024	Heavenly Discourses	Optional	Pathway 3 Earth and Sky
Summer (April)	AHAN7011	Cosmology, Magic and Divination in the Classical World	Optional	Pathway 1 Inner Cosmos

**** Skyscapes, Cosmology and Archaeology runs over semester 2 and 3: teaching takes place in Semester 2 and students complete a research project in Semester 3.
Precise dates are notified when available.**