



**Oliver Prior Society Meeting  
29 and 30 March 2015  
Downing College, Cambridge**

**PROGRAMME**

Sunday 29 March

- 2pm Check in opens for Overnight delegates  
*Please report to the Porters Lodge, Downing College, Regent Street, Cambridge CB2 1DQ*
- 4pm Meeting registration and refreshments – Overnight and Day + Dinner delegates  
*The Howard Theatre, Downing College*  
Elspeth Wilson and Dr Theodora Alexopoulou, the Department of Linguistics at Cambridge, will present informally research conducted by the Cambridge Bilingualism Network.
- 5.15pm ***Candelario Obeso on the Shores of Politics: Popular Republicanism in Nineteenth-Century Colombian Poetry***  
Dr Rory O’Byrne, University Senior Lecturer in Latin American Literature and Culture, Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Cambridge
- 6.30pm Networking drinks  
*The Senior Common Room, Downing College*
- 7.15pm OPS 2015 Dinner  
*After dinner speaker: Jocelyn Wyburd, Director of the Cambridge Language Centre and Chair of the National Advisory Board for Routes into Languages*  
*The Dining Hall, Downing College*  
A cash bar will be open after dinner in that hope that conversation will continue on into the night.

Monday 30 March

- 9am Meeting registration and refreshments – Day delegates  
*The Howard Theatre, Downing College, Regent Street, Cambridge CB2 1DQ*
- 9.30am ***Routes Into Languages: the initiative***  
Sarah Schecter, Project Manager of Routes Into Languages East, Anglia Ruskin University
- 10.15am ***Does the language you speak influence the way you think?***  
Dr Henriëtte Hendriks, Head of the Department of Theoretical and Applied Linguistics, University of Cambridge
- 11am Coffee break  
*The Howard Theatre, Downing College*

- 11.15am **1870-71, or the War before the First World War**  
Dr Nicholas White, Reader in Modern French Literature, Department of French, University of Cambridge
- 12 noon **"Only a pen can ease my pain": voices from Italian convents**  
Dr Abigail Brundin, Reader in Early Modern Literature and Culture, Department of Italian, University of Cambridge
- 12.45pm Lunch  
*The Howard Theatre, Downing College*  
Another chance to be introduced to research from the Cambridge Bilingualism Network, presented by Elspeth Wilson and Dr Theodora Alexopoulou.
- 1.30pm **The Cambridge Admissions Process: a Q+A session with the Modern and Medieval Languages Faculty**  
Panel discussion led by Professor Ian Roberts, Chair of Cambridge MML and OPS President
- 2.45pm Optional social activity: a 90-minute tour of historic Cambridge and its colleges with Alumni Tours  
**NB:** *If you would like to attend this tour, please email [oliverpriorsociety@gmail.com](mailto:oliverpriorsociety@gmail.com) by **Friday 13 March.***