UOSM 2034 Security, Emergencies and Technologies of Control
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What is this course about?
How are different emergencies, from terrorist attacks to household fires, acted upon, responded to and governed by authorities? What runs across the mind of security planners when making decisions that could save or cost lives in the time of an emergency? How have digital technologies changed both the way emergencies are thought of and how we are secured from their potential occurrence in the future?. Drawing on an abundance of examples from Edward Snowden's revelations concerning data surveillance, to pre-empt strikes in Iraq and 9/11, students taking this module examine these questions and more in learning about security, emergencies and the technologies used to govern both emergencies and ourselves.

What will I do on the course?
The course is arranged around lectures and seminars which come in a format that students themselves decide. Two of the lectures take place at the courses fieldtrip destinations to Bletchley Park and a Fire and Rescue Service headquarters.

Educational and Workplace Value:
The course is designed to offer a unique insight into the workings of government and security organisations whilst supplying students with the conceptual and practical tools to research such organisations. This educational impact will feed directly into students' job prospects in a number of different domains.

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