



**Statement of Research Interests**  
**MA Cultural Studies**  
**Department of Literary, Cultural & Communication Studies**  
**St. Augustine**

The Cultural Studies Section requires ALL MA applicants to provide a Statement of Interest with their applications. The statement should be no more than 700 words (i.e. 2 pages, double spaced). Your statement must clearly outline the following four areas:

1. Personal statement and interests
2. Brief history of past research. Must include:
  - a. What have you previously set out to study and what did you find?
  - b. Did it result in any clear outputs such as publications, collaborations or policy recommendations?
3. Brief description of your proposed research area. Must include:
  - a. What questions are you actively trying to resolve in your proposed research idea?
  - b. How do you intend to go about answering these questions?
  - c. What might be the bigger implications of your work on conversations and discourses on culture?
4. Reason for choosing Cultural Studies. Must include:
  - a. What is your understanding of the discipline?
  - b. How it will help you to fulfil your proposed research ideals and questions?