

History A Level

Examination Board:
Edexcel

Entry Requirements:
Grade 5 in History and Grade 5
in English Language

Potential Career Opportunities:

A Level History gives you the knowledge and skills which will prepare you for higher education, and which are also useful in any career.

Students who specialise in History can go on to become Historical Researchers, work in heritage organisations or become Teachers. History also supports other career paths like Journalism, Politics, Law, Social Work and Public Services.

Course Overview:

Year 12

“In search of the American Dream: the USA c1917-96” and “South Africa 1948-94: from apartheid state to “rainbow nation” both consider the challenges faced in the search for rights and equality and explore what it really means to be ‘free’ in the twentieth century.

Year 13

“Ireland and the Union, c1774-1923” considers the Irish Question, one of the most complex, impassioned and fundamental conflicts in British and Irish history. The coursework focuses on interpretations of the Russian Revolution.

Assessment:

This is a linear course, so there are three examinations at the end of the course. There is also one coursework assignment of 4000 words to be completed by the Spring Term of Year 13.

Why would this course suit me?

History is a challenging but rewarding subject and is recognised as such by Universities. If you are interested in the struggles and successes of the people of the past and want to develop your skills in writing and analytical thinking, then this is the subject for you.

How does this course link to other subjects?

History links well with other subjects which explain how society works, such as Economics, Politics, Sociology and Philosophy.

