
HISTORY

Examination Board: Edexcel

Syllabus: 9h10

WHY STUDY HISTORY?

- History is an engaging, rewarding and exciting journey into the past.
- You will develop a wide range of skills from independent research, source analysis, constructing an argument and analysing historians' controversial viewpoints.
- It is a highly respected qualification that any university or work place will appreciate.
- If a student enjoys history at GCSE then this is an obvious path to pursue.

THE A LEVEL PROGRAMME OF STUDY: How you will be assessed

Unit	Unit contents	Assessment and duration
Paper 1 – <i>Route F: In search of the American Dream, the USA 1917-96.</i>	America entering WW1; the Roaring Twenties; Wall Street Crash; the quest for Civil Rights (Martin Luther King); the Cold War; WW2; role of the Presidents (FDR, JFK, Nixon and Reagan); changes in society (role of sportsmen, movie stars, music, celebrity)	30% 2h15 minute exam
Paper 2- <i>Route F: South Africa; 1948-94. From Apartheid State to Rainbow Nation.</i>	A study in depth of South Africa during its transition from white minority rule to the free elections of 1994, a long, and at times, dramatic process in which South Africa changed from an apartheid state into a multi-racial democracy.	20 % 1H20 minute exam.
Paper 3- The British experience of warfare 1790-1918	This British course will give you a huge overview of British conflicts from fighting Napoleon in the French Wars, to the horrors of the Crimean War, the change in tactics in the Boer conflict to the Total War of the First World War.	30% 2h15 minute exam
Paper 4- NEA	The coursework question is a controversy of the student's choice. It is up to 4,000 words.	20% Moderated internally.

HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

History opens doors to teaching, civil service, law, research careers, journalism, Heritage management and librarian careers. History is highly regarded amongst all universities, including Russell Group universities.

SUBJECT SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must usually have achieved a grade 5 or above in GCSE History. If you have not studied History at GCSE level then a Grade 5 or higher is required in GCSE English.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION please contact Mrs Gower

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