



HISTORY

Qualification: A-Level

Overview of subject:

A-Level History is a varied and exciting course which enables students to develop their knowledge of both British History (through a breadth study of the Tudors) and international History (through a depth study of Weimar and Nazi Germany), as well as their own research skills through the coursework component - currently a choice of either Civil Rights in the USA or Women's Rights in the UK). It is assessed through both examination and coursework.

Topics studied in the syllabus include:

- Tudors (Breadth Study) 1485-1603
- Government of England, relations with foreign powers, and economic policies and their impact.
- Social and cultural history including poverty, law and order, and the divide between different geographical areas.
- The history of ideas such as the Renaissance and Humanism as well as religious conflict and co-operation.
- In-depth and comparative studies of all monarchs from Henry VII to Elizabeth I.
- Democracy & Nazism (Depth Study) 1918 - 1945
- Impact of World War One and the German Revolution.
- The instability of Weimar, the impact of the 1920s and the Great Depression.
- The rise of the Nazi Party and life in Nazi Germany and World War Two.
- In-depth study and primary source analysis.
- Non-examined assessment (4,500 words maximum)
- Self-researched project incorporating knowledge, primary source analysis and interpretations on an important historical concept e.g. causation or significance.



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The course might be of interest to:

Those who have enjoyed history or combined humanities at GCSE and who want a combination of both modern and medieval history. This course is highly suitable for those who enjoy investigation and debate, and is complemented by other humanities, English or social science options

Potential future pathways:

History develops a range of skills which are highly valued by employers and universities alike such as analysis, essay-writing, research, empathy, and cultural literacy. Many history students go on to enjoy careers in education, law, government and social policy, and management.