History A Level



Exam Board: Edexcel

Entry requirements: Grade 5 in GCSE English Language and GCSE History

Intent

Structure

The History course provides students with a wide range of Historical topics. We look at 20th Century America; the social, cultural and political changes in the UK over the last 100 years, and the political protests in this country that have improved the rights of women and working men. We also enable students to undertake a piece of coursework which contributes to 20% of their overall grade.

There are 3 exams and one coursework essay. Students sit a progression exam at the end of year 12, rather than an external AS exam.

Implementation

Content & Sequencing

We teach paper 1 and 2 in the first year. We then teach paper 3 in the second year along with some coursework lessons to enable students to achieve an extremely high-scoring coursework and still have some time in class for revision of the first year lessons.

Assessment Methods

80% exam (split into three papers)
20% coursework (completed in the autumn term of year 2)





Impact

Onward Progression

Students learn literacy skills to an extremely high level and will complete the course with the skills to write in an analytical and evaluative way. The coursework enables students to undertake independent study, which is an excellent bridge into university work and gives students pride and ownership over their work.

History is widely recognised as a challenging A Level and as such it is highly regarded by universities and employers. We have had students go on to study History at Russell Group universities, but also to use the transferable skills to many other areas of study and employment.

Further information contact

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