A Level History



Entry Requirements

To study History at A level you will need at least a grade 5 in English at GCSE.

There is no requirement to have studied History at GCSE but, if you have, we will expect at least a grade 5.

Knowledge & Skills gained:

The topic areas studied are:

- Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855-1964 (Breadth Study).
- The English Revolution, 1625-1660 (Depth study).
- 25% of the A Level assessment is assessed by a Coursework Assignment on a key historical issue.

The key skills gained in studying History are:

- a talent for clear expression, both oral and written:
- putting forward ideas and arguments in a concise manner:
- gathering, investigating and assessing material;
- basing conclusions on research and generating ideas;
- organising material in a logical and coherent way.

Complementary Subjects

There is no requirement to study History along with any other specific subject. In fact, History complements all other subjects and we have had many scientists and mathematicians studying History to add breadth to their skills.



Future Opportunities

University - Students studying History often continue to study the subject at university, or other Humanities and Social Science courses at degree level and beyond. Due to the skills developed, students frequently go on to study Law or Politics.

Employment – History is an in-demand and well respected 'gold standard' subject. As well as careers involving History directly (museums, archaeology, archives etc.), History students go on to careers in law, journalism, broadcasting, the civil service, teaching, police, publishing, personnel work, banking, management, social work, insurance, accountancy, nursing and many other areas.