

### COURSE TITLE

**A Level History**

**Exam Board: Edexcel**

### AIMS OF THE COURSE

The course aims to establish a breadth of knowledge across a range of periods, to develop the necessary skills and understanding which will be needed by students planning to progress to undergraduate study at a UK higher education establishment, particularly (although not only) in the same subject area.

### WHAT WILL YOU STUDY?

You will learn the fundamentals of the subject and develop the key knowledge, skills and experience needed for History. Throughout the course, you will study a range of topics and the key research related to them including:

**In search of the American Dream**  
investigating political, economic and social change in 20th century.

**India; the road to independence**  
investigating the role of various individuals and events.

**Lancastrian, Yorkists and Henry VII**  
focusing on key events and themes of the Wars of the Roses.

**Coursework** an independent study using interpretations, culminating in an extended essay.

### HOW WILL YOU BE ASSESSED?

There are three externally set and assessed exams for A Level History and one piece of coursework (3000 word essay). It is a linear course and so all exams are at the end of the two years of study.

### WHAT WIDER SKILLS WILL YOU DEVELOP?

Presentation and extended writing skills. Critical thinking and reviewing evidence skills. Evaluative and interpretational skills.

### WHAT ARE THE FUTURE OPTIONS FROM THE COURSE?

There are a wide range of History degrees that can be pursued at university.

The A level is also directly applicable to course such as law, economics and journalism. It can also lead onto a variety of careers. It is directly applicable for museum curation and teaching or a wider set of careers that would benefit from the skills it develops such as journalism, politics and broadcasting.

### KEY CONTACT

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