

Subject:

A Level History

Course Units and Content:

Year 12

Paper 1

Britain transformed , 1918-97

Paper 2

The USA 1955-92: conformity and challenge

Year 13

Paper 3

England 1485-1603: Rebellion and Disorder under the Tudors

Coursework:

Russia in Revolution

Progression and Careers:

History is a strong academic subject, and is recognised as such by employers and universities. The skills you will acquire from History will allow you to analyse, critique and synthesise information and arguments; you will also develop the ability to look at a situation with an understanding and open mind.

Graduates from History degrees go into many professions: accountancy, administration, archaeology, architecture, archiving, the armed forces, business management, the Civil Service, conservation, human resources, information technology, journalism, law, local government, media and television, museums and galleries, national government, politics, teaching, university research, to name but a few.

Assessment:

Paper 1: Breadth Study with interpretations

30% of A level

Two essays and one interpretations question
(2 hours 15 minutes)

Paper 2: Depth Study

20% of A level

One source question, one depth essay
(1 hour 30 minutes)

Paper 3: Themes in breadth

30% of A level

Two essays and one source question
(2 hours 15 minutes)

Coursework

20% of A level

3000-4000 word independently produced essay

Student views:

"It is a challenging subject but really interesting. You get to learn about why the modern world is the way it is."

"It has helped me develop my analytical skills and it encourages interesting debate."

"I have a passion for History and my teachers have really encouraged me to develop my ideas and understanding of different areas of history."

"I love the interesting lessons."

Where have students from Sandy Secondary School gone on to?

Many students go on to read History at university. Many of our students apply to read History at Russell Group universities. Former Sandy Secondary School students are reading History at a number of top universities, including Kings College, London.



Examination Board:

Edexcel

Curriculum Leader:

Ms H Bacon