

HISTORY

At these levels, History is a thought provoking, challenging and rewarding subject, leading to a qualification which is fully recognised by universities and employers alike as an important step towards academic and vocational development.

The WJEC syllabus concentrates on three diverse historical periods. The British course examines social, political and religious developments and the foreign relations of the Tudor monarchs in this period.

In European History, we develop work studied at GCSE with an in-depth analysis of Weimar and Nazi Germany. The documentary skills used at GCSE are fully incorporated into this element of the course, together with a coursework component.

The third element of the course, which is only taught at A2 level (Year 13), focuses on the main trends, themes and influences that affected the USA between 1770-1970. This module deals with Slavery, the American Civil War, the Civil Rights Movement and America's involvement in the World Wars and Cold War.



Much of the work involves developing the skills of analysis and argument, presenting views on facts and events and on the opinions of other historians. It provides opportunities to develop key skills, to use the internet and to enhance the ability to present views clearly and effectively, skills much appreciated and required by universities and employers alike.

The course allows students who did not follow the GCSE History course to `pick up` History once again without being disadvantaged.