

# A LEVEL HISTORY







## **RECENT CHANGES TO A LEVEL HISTORY**

All new A Level History specifications are:

- Assessed by a combination of examination & coursework.
- Linear, with assessment at the end of the second year.
- The courses must cover at least 200 years of History.
- Students must study breadth and depth units.
- Students must study British and non-British topics.

## OUR APPROACH TO TEACHING AND LEARNING

At WSFC we offer two History Courses:

 Early Modern History (AQA): This covers the period 1469-1715. Students study Spain in the Age of Discovery 1469-1598; The English Revolution 1625-1660; Coursework on France 1610-1715

Or

(2) Modern History (Edexcel): This covers Germany & West Germany, 1918-1989; The rise and fall of Fascism in Italy c1911-46; The British experience of warfare, c1790-1918; Coursework on the Holocaust.

Students opt for either Early Modern **or** Modern History.

Building on our reputation for excellent results:

- We place a strong emphasis on allowing students to carry out activities, not just to develop their analytical and evaluative skills but to provide them with a full range of learning experiences.
- We choose topics that allow learners to gain an insight into a range of the most interesting historical events, issues and ideas.
- We have a flexible teaching approach but understand the need to complete homework, respect deadlines and set high standards.

- We use a wide range of high-quality learning materials.
- Student outcomes in A Level History at WSFC have been consistently good or excellent for many years.
- Students will be taught by passionate and innovative subject specialists in History who are either current or former examiners.

## A LEVEL ASSESSMENT

On the <u>Early Modern option</u> (AQA) Students will be assessed by two written examinations and a piece of coursework.

#### Component 1: Spain in the Age of Discovery 1469-1598

Written examination (40% of the qualification)

#### Component 2: The English Revolution 1625-1660

Written examination (40% of the qualification)

Component 3: Coursework on France 1610-1715 (20% of the qualification)

On the <u>Modern option</u> (Edexcel) Students will be assessed by three written examinations and a piece of coursework.

#### Component 1: Germany & West Germany, 1918-89

Written examination (30% of the qualification)

#### Component 2: The rise and fall of Fascism in Italy c1911-46

Written examination (20% of the qualification)

### Component 3: The British experience of warfare, c1790-1918

Written examination (30% of the qualification)

**Component 4: Coursework on Historical Interpretations: the origins of the Holocaust** (20% of the qualification)

## SUBJECT COMBINATIONS

History can be studied in combination with a wide variety of other subjects. In particular, it fits well with Politics, Geography, Sociology, Classics, Law, Religious Studies, Criminology, Business Studies and Economics.





## ENTRY AND SKILL REQUIREMENTS

#### What are the entry requirements for A-level History?

- Level 4 in GCSE English Language.
- Level 4 in GCSE History if studied.

#### What if I don't have a 4 in GCSE English but am really interested in History?

Come and see us at Course Confirmation.

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