A LEVEL MODERN HISTORY

The study of History helps us understand and explain the past and is a fascinating subject. The research, evaluation and analytical skills acquired are desirable in Higher Education and employment. Students will also develop their understanding of major world events.

Level 3 · A Level (or equivalent) · Truro College

TOP COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

KNOWLEDGEABLE LECTURERS | RESPECTED BY UNIVERSITIES | TRANSFERRABLE SKILLS | NAZI GERMANY 1939-45 | 20% COURSEWORK

FRIENDLY AND ENTHUSIASTIC STAFF

The History Department is friendly, supportive, experienced, ambitious and hardworking. Achievement in this subject relies heavily on your attendance, punctuality and commitment to learning, both independently and within lectures.

HIGHLY RESPECTED SUBJECT

Modern History is a highly respected subject by universities and employers due to the transferrable skills gained on the A Level course including research, planning, analysis, evaluation and essay writing. It also complements other subjects such as Politics, Classical Civilisation, English Literature, Geography, Law and Economics.

NON-EXAMINED ASSESSMENT (NEA)

Non-Examined Assessment (NEA) accounts for 20% of the A Level. This suits students who don't always do themselves justice in exams, due to timing issues or stress. The NEA also gives students the opportunity to research an area of interest from the USA 1763-1865, such as the impact of slavery, westward expansion and the Presidency or the causes of the American Civil War.

WHY CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

In Modern History, you will study the rise and fall of the British Empire 1857 - 1967. This provides an interesting contrast to the second module – the rise and fall of Weimar and Nazi Germany 1918 – 1945. The third module is a Non-Examined Assessment on the USA 1763 - 1865, when the USA won its freedom from Britain then descended into Civil War.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

Unit 1: The British Empire c1857 - 1967. You will study the British Empire through 6 themes including reasons for growth and contraction, the role of the economy and the response of indigenous peoples to British rule. **Unit 2: Democracy and Nazism: Germany 1918 - 1945.** You will study how a democratic government gave way to a Nazi dictatorship. It explores political concepts such as nationalism and liberalism and ideologies of anti-Semitism and Social Darwinism. **Unit 3: USA 1763 - 1865.** You will learn how American colonies won their independence from Britain, founded the USA, expanded westwards then disintegrated into Civil War. It explores concepts such as abolitionism and social justice.

WHERE WILL IT TAKE ME?

A Level History is highly respected by universities and employers. Our students progress to a variety of university courses including Truro College's FdA History, Heritage and Culture degree.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above with a Grade 5 in English or a Humanities subject. Students should be confident readers, able to write fluently and have good factual recall. Students also need to be self-motivated and capable of carrying out independent research. Above all, students should be interested and willing to engage with the subject.

IMPORTANT

Course information can change. Please use the QR code below for the current assessment arrangements, entry requirements and start dates.

FOR THE LATEST COURSE INFORMATION

Scan for assessment arrangements, learner support, confirmed start dates and how to apply.