

COURSE OUTLINE

HISTORY - A LEVEL



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The A Level course comprises of four units: British, German and American history as well as an independent study. The study of Germany's transition from democracy to dictatorship includes an opportunity to visit Auschwitz-Birkenau in Poland. Students will also learn of the struggle of different groups to gain their freedom and equal rights within American society. Students will also hone their source skills examining the later Tudor monarchs: Edward, Mary and Elizabeth.

DETAILS ABOUT THE COURSE

Topics covered:

British history
German history
Thematic study - civil rights in America
Personal Investigation 3000-4000 word essay

Co-curricular/trips:

Residential trip to Auschwitz.

Future prospects:

Apart from being interesting, history can be extremely useful. Employers recognise the variety of skills that its study can encourage such as the ability to analyse information and the ability to construct an argument effectively. It relates to a number of career paths such as law, teaching, politics, curating, and other higher education courses.

You might also take...

English literature, philosophy and ethics, geography, drama and theatre studies, psychology.

KEY INFORMATION

Prior attainment:

Five grades at 9-4
Grade 5 in GCSE history required
Grade 6 in GCSE history desirable

Assessment:

Year 1

Unit 1: British history 1547-1603
Unit 2: German history 1919-1963

Year 2

Unit 3: Thematic study - Civil rights in America
Unit 4a: Personal investigation (3000-4000 word essay)

Source analysis, teamwork, independence and communication are all essential.