

HISTORY at SCGSG

OCR H505

The Course

History is a subject that enables you to better understand the wider world. The A level course is designed to further develop and complement the skills you have developed at GCSE including your ability to debate, evaluate, analyse and reach supported conclusions. You will engage with a series of topics that allows exploration of British, European and World History that will be examined at the end of Year 13. You will also get the opportunity to choose and fully develop a 3-4000 piece of coursework independently. This is a great opportunity for you to explore a topic of your choice in readiness for the A level exams, university or beyond.



'Although I worried that the written tasks would be longer than the average piece of A level work, I felt well prepared and confident when tackling them'.

'The coursework was a daunting prospect but taught me so much about planning and organising my ideas in a convincing way. The one to one discussions with my teacher helped me develop skills that I know I'll need for my uni course in October'.

And finally...

'The thing I like best is the fascinating topics about which we read and discuss. This subject packs your head with knowledge and makes me a great team player in quizzes. Everyone wants a historian on their team!'

Y13 History students at SCGSG.

Component	Component Weighting
Unit 1 Y108 Britain 1603-1660	25%
Unit 2 Y291 Russia 1894-1941	15%
Unit 3 Y319 Civil Rights in the USA 1865-1992	40%
Unit 4 Y100 Internally assessed coursework	20%

Trips:

The History department attended an American History lecture day in Birmingham in March 2020 and we hope to be able to do so in future.



The Future...

Progression to university to read History or Law are popular pathways. Other students use the skills they have developed to access a wider range of courses and apprenticeships. These have included Classics, Political Science, English, Geography, Nursing, Medicine, Archaeology, Teaching and Economics

History is a well-respected subject, both universities and employers recognise the skills it develops. What's more it doesn't close the door to any career. Our past students have gone on to successful careers in all sorts of areas including law, journalism, teaching, the media, politics, medicine, heritage management and public relations.