

History

Former students have told us that studying History has provided excellent preparation for degrees in a wide variety of subjects, including: History, Law, Business, English and Politics. A wide range of job opportunities is also open to you, including: journalism, broadcasting, law, local and central government, teaching, public relations and business management.



Entry requirements: Grade C or above in GCSE History



What will you be learning ?

The modules followed are based on key issues in British and Russian History. The modules all link conceptually through the idea of division within government and disunity in society. In Unit 1 students study the changing nature of royal authority from the end of the Wars of the Roses in 1485 until Elizabeth I in 1603. In Unit 2 students examine the Historical theme of how the world was divided on the issue of Communism and Democracy through studying Russia from 1917-1953. In Year 13, students will complete their coursework and can select their topics from themes including the USA in the 1920's, the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade and Nazi Germany.

Case Study: Naomi Ramshaw – St Robert's

I chose history because I was inspired by how passionate the teachers were about their subject and how they tried to engage their students by making history interesting. I chose to stay at St Robert's sixth form as I knew that the grades and pass rates were one of the best, if not the best, in the area. Coming to this sixth form, I have certainly been challenged with my learning. You are pushed to learn and be more independent in your learning. You are certainly given the freedom to find your own path and it certainly prepares you for going on to universities. In the future I would like to go to university and study history and possibly English. I would like to become a history teacher if possible and hopefully will go on to inspire children and young people just as my teachers have inspired me

How will you be assessed?

Units 1 and 2 are assessed by one written examination. Unit 3 is a personal study.

How will I be taught?

The department has developed links with local universities and regularly has visiting lecturers speak on topics or lead web conferences linked to the course. Students also have had the chance to attend "Masterclass" days at local universities. The History Department is involved with the Lessons from Auschwitz project.

What skills will I develop?

By the end of the course students will have learned how to evaluate and analyse information, providing access to a wide range of career opportunities.

It complements most other A- Level subjects.