

Subject Title:	HISTORY
Type of Qualification:	GCE 'A' Level
Examination Board:	CCEA
Location:	Glastry College
Subject Leader:	Mrs C Hoey



Entry Requirements

A grade C in History and English GCSE grade C is essential. A grade B is desirable/preferable

What will I learn?

There are two units at AS and two at A2. In each of the units at AS and A2. The topics that you will be studying are:

- AS – Germany 1919-1945
- AS – Russia 1914-1941
- A2 – Clash of Ideologies 1900 – 2000
- A2 – Partition of Ireland 1900 – 1925

What skills will I develop?

Through following this course, you will have the opportunity to develop skills that are transferable and are highly sought after by employers. You will have the opportunity to develop your analytical skills and increase your self-confidence through researching, organising information, evaluating the evidence before you, arguing a case, reaching balanced conclusions based on the evidence and writing in a clear and coherent way. These are skills which are **highly desired** by employers and will help you in further education, to succeed in your chosen career as well as in everyday life.

“Studying A-level history gives me a real sense of pride and accomplishment, as it is a challenging subject but I know I can achieve anything when I succeed in history”

“We love constructing strong lines of argument and defeating Mrs Hoey in a debate!”

“History makes us critical thinkers, we learn not to accept everything at face value, and it helps us make sense of the world we live in today.”

“History opens lots of door for many opportunities and careers.”

Assessment

In year 13 AS is worth 40% of overall A-level with AS1 and AS2 both worth 20% each, and in year 14 A2 is worth 60% of overall A-level with A21 worth 20% of overall A-level and A22 worth 40% of overall A-level. You will sit two examination papers at the end of year 13 and then two examination papers at the end of year 14.

Career Progression

History can open up a wide range of opportunities for further and higher education and interesting and rewarding careers. If you wish to continue with your study of History at degree level, you will need to complete the full A Level course comprising the two units at AS together with the two at A2.

Many History students go on to have interesting and challenging careers, for example in the media, politics, library or information work, writing or editorial work, teaching, lecturing, business or civil service. An interest in history may direct you to perhaps a more specialist career as an archaeologist, archivist working in a records office, historical researcher, solicitor, barrister, museum curator or genealogist.