



What is this course about?

Modern History is a discipline-based subject where you have the opportunity to examine traces of humanity's recent past so you may form your own views about the modern world. Through Modern History, your curiosity and imagination is invigorated while your appreciation of civilisation is broadened and deepened. You'll learn that the past is contestable and tentative. You will discover how the past consists of various perspectives and interpretations.

Modern History distinguishes itself from other subjects by enabling its students to empathise with others and make meaningful connections between the past, present and possible futures. Modern History has two main aims. Firstly, Modern History seeks to have you gain historical knowledge and understanding about some of the main forces that have contributed to the development of the Modern World. Secondly, Modern History aims to have you think historically and form a historical consciousness in relation to these same forces.

How will I be assessed?

The following criteria summarises how you will be assessed in this course:

- Comprehend terms, issues and concepts
- Devise historical questions and conduct research
- Analyse historical sources and evidence
- Synthesise information from historical sources and evidence
- Evaluate historical interpretations
- Create responses that communicate meaning

The important learning skills of Modern History

Critical thinking	Creative thinking	Communication	Collaboration and teamwork	Personal and social skills	ICT skills
					
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• analytical thinking• problem-solving• decision-making• reasoning• reflecting and evaluating• intellectual flexibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• innovation• initiative and enterprise• curiosity and imagination• creativity• generating and applying new ideas• identifying alternatives• seeing or making new links	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• effective oral and written communication• using language, symbols and texts• communicating ideas effectively with diverse audiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• relating to others (interacting with others)• recognising and using diverse perspectives• participating and contributing• community connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• adaptability/flexibility• management (self, career, time, planning and organising)• character (resilience, mindfulness, open- and fair-mindedness, self-awareness)• leadership• citizenship• cultural awareness• ethical (and moral) understanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• operations and concepts• accessing and analysing information• being productive users of technology• digital citizenship (being safe, positive and responsible online)