

History BA (Hons)

UCAS Code: V100 | Duration: 3 years | Full-time | Hope Park | 2018/19

Work placement opportunities | International students can apply



Course Overview

The study of History helps you to understand how individuals, communities and societies have lived in the past and how those past experiences have helped to shape the present world. Our History degree gives you the opportunity to study a wide-range of historical periods and topics with elements in British, Irish, European and International History from the late medieval age to the twentieth century.

By studying with us, you will engage with a wide variety of historical evidence throughout the whole of your degree programme. You will benefit from being taught by a team of recognised scholars and experts in their fields who are dedicated and experienced teachers and researchers and regular publishers of their research.

Throughout your degree, you will be able to take advantage of the rich library, archival, museum and heritage resources available in Liverpool and further afield, as well as benefit from our partnership with National Museums Liverpool. Working with the staff and resources of the many museums in Liverpool forms an important part of your learning experiences. The department runs a range of fieldwork activities every year in the local area and beyond, and offers the opportunity for study visits to major European cities each year.

Entry Requirements

The standard offer level is between BBB-BBC from A levels or DDM-DMM from BTEC, or 120-112 UCAS tariff points.

Fees and Additional Costs

The tuition fees for 2018/19 are £9,250 for full-time undergraduate courses.

As well as tuition fees, you also need to consider the cost of core textbooks and the cost of transport to fieldwork locations, which is approximately £60-£100 each year.

You will also need to consider the cost of your accommodation each year whilst you study at university.

Visit our accommodation webpages for further details about our Halls of Residence: www.hope.ac.uk/halls



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History BA (Hons) Curriculum

Year One

Introduction to History

In your first year, you will begin to develop an understanding of the foundations of history. You study England c. 1530-1650, Henry VIII and the reformation, Elizabethan England, and the early Stuarts and the Civil Wars of the 1640s. You will also explore twentieth-century Europe, the First World War and its political and social consequences, the rise of fascism and the Second World War, and the Cold War and revival of nationalism during the 1990s.

History skills

This topic allows you to develop your essay-writing skills, as well as engaging with sources such as texts, images, artefacts and architecture. You will also go on a number of fieldtrips, including to the Museum of Liverpool, the Maritime Museum, All Saints Church in Childwall, and Hardwick Hall in Derbyshire.

Introduction to Politics*

Single honours students also have a choice to study an extra topic such as political ideas, institutions and behaviours, or enhancing understanding of political history.

Year Two

Explorations in History Core

Your second year deepens your knowledge of key themes in History. You study European history, circa 1640s to 2000s. The topic is divided into two components, which analyse Nationalism and Imperialism

in early modern and modern European history. The first component 'Continental History' explores European economics, history, politics and society. The second component 'Britain and Ireland' examines the complex and occasionally troubled relationship between these nations.

Explorations in History Additional*

Single honours students also study Witch beliefs and Witch hunting in early modern England and America, and Gender politics of the twentieth century in Britain.

Year Three

Advanced Studies in History Core

In your final year, you will study in-depth a number of topics. You study Critical Approaches to Modern History and then choose two seminars from a range of four options including:

- Fascism, Nazism and the Holocaust 1919-45
- The Taste of War: the role of food in human conflict.
- Executing history: the history of capital punishment.

Advanced Studies in History Additional*

You will also study Conflict and Colonisation: early modern English experiences, English maritime and colonial expansion, 1550-1650, and the British civil wars, c. 1637-51.

**Please note topics marked with a * are studied by single honours students only.*

COURSE STRUCTURE

Teaching on this degree is structured into lectures, seminars and tutorials. You also have the opportunity to have a one-to-one meeting with your tutor each week, as well as regular fieldtrips.

If you are studying a Single Honours degree, in your first year there are approximately 12 teaching hours each week, which reduces to approximately 10 teaching hours in your second and third years. If you are studying a Combined Honours degree, in your first year there are approximately 6 teaching hours each week, which reduces to approximately 5 teaching hours in your second and third years. On top of teaching hours, you are also expected to spend 28 hours studying independently each week, as well as group study to prepare for any group assessments you may have.

ASSESSMENT AND FEEDBACK

Assessments are varied and consist of formal exams focusing on lecture topics, and a range of written coursework assignments. In your final year, you will complete a special study or dissertation.

For each assessment, you receive constructive written feedback that not only explains the strengths and weaknesses of the particular piece of work but which also makes clear what must be improved in future work. Feedback is provided verbally to the whole year group where possible, to emphasise points of general relevance, and you also have opportunities to discuss your feedback with your tutor.



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