

# History BA (Hons)

UCAS Code: V100 | Duration: 3 years | Full-time | Hope Park | 2021/2022

Placement year opportunities available



## 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. Working with the resources of the many museums in Liverpool forms an important part of your learning experiences. There are 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 112 UCAS tariff points.

## Fees and Additional Costs

The tuition fees for 2021/2022 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](http://www.hope.ac.uk/halls)



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# History BA (Hons) Curriculum

## Year One

### Introduction to History Core I

In your first year, you will begin to develop an understanding of the foundations of history. You will study 20th Century Europe, examining the First World War and its consequences; the rise of Fascism; the Spanish Civil War; Second World War; the Cold War; Europe in the 1960s-80s; and the revival of Nationalism during the 1990s.

You will also study England c. 1530-1650, focusing on Henry VIII and the Reformation; Elizabethan England, Ireland and overseas expansion; the early Stuarts and the Civil Wars of the 1640s, and Women's history in the period.

### 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 History Core II

In Introduction to History Core II, you will study a number of important topics, including a local history of Liverpool, an introduction to museum and heritage studies, methodological approaches to History and a series of historical case studies related to staff research specialism (e.g. Richard III, the British Empire, and the Labour Movement and International Socialism).

## Year Two

### Explorations in History Core

Your second year deepens your knowledge of key themes in History. You study Nationalism and Imperialism from the late eighteenth to the twentieth centuries. Seminars explore Continental European perspectives and British-Irish perspectives.

### Explorations in History Core II\*

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:

- Ideology and reaction: Fascism, Nazism and the Holocaust, 1919-45
- The Taste of War: the role of food in human conflict.
- The British Empire: Colonial Encounter, 1775-1947
- The Spanish Civil War and the Crisis of Democracy, 1936-1939

### Advanced Studies in History Core II\*

You will also study Conflict and Colonisation: early modern English experiences, which explores the Tudor conquest of Ireland 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 40 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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