

## History

A level History Option 1: Kingship, Empire and Religion	Course Content	Assessment
Year 1	Unit 1: The Crusades c1071-1149, the First and Second Crusade  Unit 2: The Angevin Kings 1154-1189, Henry II  Coursework module starts in the summer term on African American Civil Rights in the USA, 1865-1968	Linear A Level – assessment at the end of year 2
Year 2	Unit 1: The Crusades 1149-1204, Collapse of the Crusader States, Third and Fourth Crusade  Unit 2: The Angevin Kings 1189-1216, Richard I and King John  Coursework module completed in the Autumn term on the War on Heresy in the Languedoc, 1179 - 1271	2hr 30 min examination (40% of A level)  2hr 30 min examination (40% of A level)  3,000-3,500 word Historical Investigation (Coursework – 20% of A Level)
A level History Option 2: Ideology and Equality	Course Content	Assessment
Year 1	Unit 1: Tsarist and Communist Russia 1855 – 1917: Russia under the Tsars; WW1 and the 1917 Revolution.  Unit 2: The Making of Modern Britain 1951-1979, from Churchill to Callaghan  Coursework module starts in the summer term on African American Civil Rights in the USA, 1865-1968	Linear A Level – assessment at the end of year 2
Year 2	Unit 1: Tsarist and Communist Russia 1917 – 1964 Lenin, Stalin, WW2, Khrushchev  Unit 2: The Making of Modern Britain 1979 – 2007 Thatcher to New Labour  Coursework module completed in the Autumn term on African American Civil Rights in the USA, 1865-1968	2hr 30 min examination (40% of A level)  2hr 30 min examination (40% of A level)  3,000-3,500 word Historical Investigation (Coursework – 20% of A Level)

## **Where are they now?**

### **Keir Martland**

Keir arrived at Winstanley from Upholland High School. He became President of the Student History Society at college, and achieved an A\* in the subject at the end of his second year. Keir went on to study History at Selwyn College, Cambridge.

### **Anya Lyon-Fraser**

Anya was a pupil at St. Peter's High School before coming to Winstanley. At college she threw herself into the enrichment activities offered by the History department and even ran a support session for other students to help them with the Crusades module. Anya achieved an A\* in the subject and went on to study History at St Hilda's College, Oxford.

### **Louise O'Brien**

Louise came to us from Abraham Guest Academy and had a keen interest in Ancient History. She studied the Medieval modules at Winstanley and achieved an A\*. Louise went on to do her dream subject, Ancient History, at Liverpool University.

## **Learning outside the classroom**

The History Department is very proud of its enrichment opportunities. There is a student led History Society which is for anyone interested in the subject. The society puts on debates, quizzes, dress-up days, organises memorial events etc. Get involved or visit the Department's Facebook (Winstanley History) and Twitter Site @WinHistory.

There is a thriving History Magazine which publishes student articles every half term.

The Department has forged links with many university History departments and has a number of prestigious guest lecturers and published historians enriching learning beyond the curriculum.

For students wishing to study History at university the department has an Advanced Historical Thinking Group which discusses themes throughout History and prepares students for degree level work.

Extension reading and resources are available on the History Department's Moodle site.

## **Moving Up from GCSE**

No experience necessary but you should have a passion for History and essay writing.