



Exam board: OCR (SHP)	Course Code: J411
<p>Outline of course:</p> <p>GSCE History is a diverse course that allows and encourages students to become curious, to develop their own opinions based on a respect for evidence, and to build a deeper understanding of the present by engaging with and questioning the past at a local, national and global level. The course is based on content which helps learners to address fundamental issues in human history, it brings together people, events and issues that students will find engaging and that will stimulate a desire to explore the similarities and differences between people's lives in the past and their own lives now. The course is broken down into three components:</p> <p>1: (a) Thematic Study: The People's Health, c.1250 to present. Students will examine people's responses to the Black Death, the impact of government on public health, how people responded to the cholera epidemics, Spanish Influenza and AIDS. (b) British Depth Study: The Elizabethans, 1580-1603. This unit enables learners to understand late-Elizabethan society and the dangerous forces at work that tested the stability of Elizabeth's kingdom.</p> <p>2: History Around Us. Students will carry out real historical fieldwork investigating a significant local historical site. The study enables students to understand how a site has changed over time and helps them to find a connection with people's lives in the past.</p> <p>3: (a) Period Study: The Making of America, 1789-1900. Students will investigate the making of America, from the inauguration of the first president in 1789 to the point when the USA was set to become the world's dominant power. (b) World Depth Study: Living under Nazi Rule, 1933-1945. This world depth study will enable students to understand the impact of Nazi dictatorship on people's lives within Germany and across occupied Europe.</p>	
<p>Assessment:</p> <p>The assessment will consist of three exam papers based on the topics studied. Components 1 and 3 will be 1 hour and 45 minutes each whilst Component 2 will be a 1 hour exam. Students will get marked for their spelling, punctuation and grammar on each paper.</p>	
<p>Choose this subject if...</p> <p>Choosing History is great foundation for your future! You will learn skills that can be applied in a huge range of careers and life situations. If you are interested in a career in law, business, journalism or economics then History is a great choice that will give you the skills needed to succeed in these areas. History teaches you to sharpen your critical thinking abilities, such as analysis, research, communication, debating and problem solving. It is an excellent subject for keeping your options open when choosing a degree.</p>	
<p>Who to contact for more information: Mr Brown</p>	