

History

Advanced Higher

Recommended Entry Requirements

C or above
at Higher
History



Course Content

Historical Study

Pupils will study The Spanish Civil War 1931–1939. They will study areas such as:

The Failure of the Monarchy in 1931

- regional identities and tensions
- the importance of the Roman Catholic Church
- the power and attitude of the army
- social conflict

The Coming of War

- the range of political parties in Spain
- political instability 1931-35
- the creation of the Popular Front
- the election of 1936

The Outbreak of Civil War

- the uprising, its supporters and early success
- social upheaval in Republican Spain

The Defeat of the Republic

- the international brigades
- the intervention of foreign powers
- the non-intervention policy
- the reasons for Franco's victory

Skills Developed

The following provides a broad overview of the subject skills, knowledge and understanding developed in the course:

- developing and applying skills, knowledge and understanding from a chosen historical field of study
- evaluating a wide range of historical sources which have some complex features, taking into account their provenance, content and historical and historiographical contexts
- engaging with the views of a range of historians
- sustaining a coherent line of argument
- drawing well-reasoned conclusions supported by detailed evidence
- identifying appropriate research issues, supported by an abstract
- planning and managing a complex programme of research
- sourcing, collecting and recording appropriate and reliable information from primary and secondary sources
- analysing, evaluating and synthesising evidence
- understanding how to organise, present and reference findings using appropriate conventions

Assessment

Exam Paper

3 hours, 90 marks

Part 1 consisting of two essay questions from a choice of five, each essay worth 25 marks

Part 2 consisting of 3 source-based questions worth 40 marks

Historical Research

The planning, research and production of a 4000 word dissertation on a question of the pupils' choice, taken from any part of the topic. The dissertation is worth 50 marks and is externally assessed.

Related Careers

Humanities, social sciences, law and languages, education, law, management, public administration etc.

Louis Theroux, Prince Charles, Shakira, Sacha Baron Cohen and John F Kennedy all have History degrees!

