

# History - A Level (AQA)

A Level History allows you to utilise skills in analysing, researching, communicating and problem-solving. You will develop an understanding of historical terms, concepts and skills, allowing you to understand how events in the past have influenced the world around us today.

## WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will study:

- Britain from 1783-1853 during an 'Age of Revolution': examining the protests, reactions and reforms in this period including a focus on the role of Peel as Prime Minister
- Germany from 1919-1963: examining the nature of change in German political and social life making the transition from democracy to dictatorship and eventually division into 2 states
- Civil Rights in the USA from 1865 to 1992: examining African Americans, Native Americans, Trade Unions and women, examining how progress was made during this time period; there is a special focus on Black Power and on civil rights during the 'Gilded Age'

You will also undertake an independent investigation, which is an extended essay on any topic of your own choice.

## WHAT WILL I NEED?

You will need:

- Three GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including English Language, plus two further GCSEs at grade 4, including Maths
- A reference from your previous school/college

All applicants must have an interview to confirm that A Levels are suitable for them

Please be aware that as this subject includes coursework, as well as a public exam set by the exam board, you will only be permitted to have a choice of one other subject which includes coursework. Your third subject choice must be an exam-only assessed subject. For example, you would not be permitted to take English Language & Literature, History and Media as these all include coursework.

When applying for an A Level programme at Westminster Kingsway, please refer to the general entry requirements on our [A Level Courses](#) page as well as the subject-specific details listed above.

**Start Date: 1 September 2025**

**Duration: 2 Years**

**Attendance: Full Time**

**Center: King's Cross Centre**

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## HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

During the 1st year, there will be 5 formal internal assessments that you will need to pass in order to progress into the 2nd year. There is an examined coursework element that you will complete by February of the 2nd year. At the end of the 2nd year, there are two public examinations.

## WHAT WILL IT COST?

AGED 16-18

If you will be aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31st August prior to the start date of your course and you have the legal right to remain in the UK for the duration of your programme then your study with us will be free. Please see [here](#) for the documents you will need to show us.

Some courses will have other associated costs, such as for specialist materials and trips. Many of our students are eligible for financial support, see [here](#) for details.

## WHAT CAN I DO AFTER?

A Levels are widely regarded as the standard entry qualification for top universities in the UK, and the rest of the world. Many of our students go onto study for a degree at the university of their choice, with some choosing to progress into apprenticeships or other employment.

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