Course Title: History
Course Code/Codes: 1HI0

Examining Body: Pearson Edexcel

What is the aim of this course?

The aim of the course is to allow you to understand how and why the world is as it is. You will learn about some of the most significant, unpredictable, and often bizarre events that have shaped everything about the present day. History is also about being able to decide what evidence we can trust; this course will help you identify people from the past who haven't told the truth and work out why.

Why should I choose this course?

The most obvious reason is because it is fascinating. However, beyond that, history is mostly about explaining why people decided to do certain things at certain times. Often these decisions can seem strange, by studying this course you will start to solve these mysteries. The other reason is that it's an incredibly useful subject to have studied; the knowledge and skills it gives you are highly regarded by colleges, universities and employers. If you have History GCSE, people will take you very seriously.

How will I be assessed?

Paper 1: Thematic study & historic environment

• Focus: Medicine in Britain, c1250-present

• Written exam: 1hr 15mins

• 30% of qualification

Paper 2: Period study and British depth study

 Focus: Early Elizabethan England, 1558-1588 & Superpower Relations: The Cold War

1945-1991

Written exam: 1hr 45mins

40% of qualification

Paper 3: Modern depth study

• Focus: The USA, 1954-1975: conflict at home

and abroad

• Written exam: 1hr 20mins

• 30% of qualification

Is this course for me?

Do you... like answering big questions, solving mysteries, explaining why things happen and giving your opinion about things, then history could well be a great choice for you.

Possible career opportunities

There are a range of career choices open to you should you decide to continue your education in history. These include:

- Law
- Politics
- Finance and Accountancy
- Business
- Teaching
- Advertising
- Research

