

## Studying History at Swansea

The History Department at Swansea University has a long and distinguished record as a centre of teaching and research. We are committed to offering those who study with us an exciting and rigorous education. We try to ensure that all our students leave not just with a degree that will open doors but also with a passion for history, a better understanding of how the past has shaped the world they live in, and with memories of an excellent experience.

Our department is proud of its reputation as a friendly and informal place to study. We are committed to small group tutorials (called seminars) where students and staff can discuss historical issues and where students can ask questions, advance arguments and respond to feedback on their work. Through the discussions and presentations made in seminars students develop their oral communication skills and self-confidence.

Seminar teaching is combined with a programme of lectures and supported by the university's e-learning software, which allows students to download handouts and have online discussions. Like all history degrees, students also engage in their own independent study. This provides the bedrock of their learning and is supported and guided by the advice of staff.

The year is divided into two teaching blocks which normally run from October to January and February to June. The degree is divided into modules which normally last one teaching block each.

The module lists on this leaflet convey the character and flavour of history teaching at Swansea. The Department's size and the staff's wide range of research interests mean we can offer a menu that will appeal to a variety of tastes, ranging in time from the early medieval period to the twenty-first century and in space from the British Isles, Continental Europe to North America and further afield.



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## Our History Degrees

### Single Honours

History (3 years) V100

History (4 years with year abroad) V101

Ancient and Medieval History V116

### Joint Honours

American Studies (3 years) VT17

American Studies (4 years) TV71

Ancient History (3 years) V110

Ancient History (4 years) V190

English Literature (3 years) QV31

English Literature (4 years) QV3C

French (4 years) RV11

German (4 years) RV21

Italian (4 years) RV31

Modern History and International  
Relations (3 years) LV2C

Politics (3 years) LV21

Politics (4 years) VL1F

Social Policy (3 years) LV43

Spanish (4 years) RV41

Welsh (3 years) QV51

### LLB Joint Honours

History and Law (3 years) MVC1

## Year One

Single honours student take: Making History, Europe of Extremes 1789-1989, Medieval Europe, The Early Modern World, Modern British History

In addition they choose one module from another subject. Popular options includes War and Society, languages and Ancient History.

Joint Honour students take Making History, two history options from the above list and three modules from their other subject.

## Year 2

Single honours students take Practice of History and then one medieval option, one early modern and three other options from the list below.

Joint Honours students take Practice of History, two options from the list below and three options from their other subject.

Practice of History

Anglo-Saxon & Viking-Age England

Crusaders & the Making of Latin Christendom 1050-1300

Medieval Britain, 1250-1461

Beyond Blood & Guts: Medicine from Late Antiquity to the Early Modern period

Empire & Inquisition: Spain, Portugal & the World, 1450-1700

Europe 1500-1650: Renaissance, Reformation and Religious War

A History of Pennsylvania, Quakers, Colony and Commonwealth, 1631-2010

Revolutionary America, 1760 – 1791

Enlightenment in the 18th-century World

Revolutionary & Napoleonic Europe

The First World War

The Welsh Century: Politics, Nationality & Religion, 1847-1947

From War to Revolution: France, 1914-1968

Conflict & Memory: Europe in the 20th century

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### Year 2 continued

Post-War Reconstruction: Europe 1945-1956

The History of the Mass Media in the UK

Exploring the Heritage Industry

The Cold War

New York City

Study Trip to Prague

Exploring Disability History

Creduau'r Cymry: Astudio Athroniaeth ac

Athrawiaeth Gymreig o Safbwynt Rhyngwladol

Rhyfel Algeria 1954-1962

Rhyfel Cartref America

### Year 3

Dissertation

*Special subjects (Single honours choose one. Joint Hons choose one or a dissertation)*

Law and Justice in Medieval England

Armies of Heaven: The First Crusade & its Historians

The Crucible of Defeat: Wessex in the Ninth and Tenth Centuries

Merchants & Marvels. Long-Distance Trade in the Early Modern World, 1500-1800

The Great War for Empire, 1754-1764: The Americas and India

Science, Magic & Medicine in Early Modern Europe

Sport & British Society 1860-1960

Internationalism, War and Peace: Europe 1900-1933

### Year 3 special subjects continued

Fear, Conformity and Oppression in Fascist Italy

The Hungry World

Towns and Cities in Modern Britain

War and Photography: Britain 1914-89

Britain at War, 1939-45: The Home Front

*Year 3 options (Single honours choose two, Joint choose one)*

Vikings, Monks and Conquest: Britain in Europe, 1000-1200 A.D.

The Cathars and the Albigensian Crusades

Mapping Medieval Landscapes

The British Atlantic World c.1550-1760

European Empires in the East. A comparative analysis

Russian Civil War

Media and Society in the 1930s

Prisoners of War in Twentieth Century Conflicts

Changed Utterly? The Irish Revolution, 1912-23

Government & society in Western political thought

Spanish Civil War

Rise of Brazil

Britain since 1945

A History of Violence

Aftermaths of War

Twf a Chwypm Ymerodraethau Prydain a Ffrainc

Y Rhyfel Mawr trwy lygaid y Cymry

**Please note that the exact options on offer vary from year to year.**