

<u>DEPARTMENT:</u>	HISTORY
<u>TITLE OF COURSE:</u>	HISTORY
<u>LEVEL:</u>	ADVANCED HIGHER
<u>RECOMMENDED ENTRY LEVELS:</u>	A pass in Higher History preferably at A or B Recommended pass in Higher English

The aim of the Advanced Higher History is to develop and further enhance skills attained at Standard Grade and Higher. Pupils will gain a deeper understanding of History through great independent learning. The course helps them to link school and 1st year further education in History.

COURSE CONTENT:

Candidates are required to demonstrate detailed knowledge and understanding of a specialised field of historical study and evaluate and interpret a variety of sources. They are also required to compile a dissertation within their specialised field of study.

HISTORICAL STUDY

Candidates will study Soviet Russia 1914-45 including:

- Tsarist Russia
- The end of Tsarism and the February Revolution
- The Provisional Government
- Lenin and the rise of Bolshevism
- The October Revolution
- The Russian Civil War
- Lenin's consolidation of power
- The Power Struggle
- The rise of Stalin
- The Stalinist State
- The Purges
- Russia in the Second World War

METHODOLOGY:

Candidates will be guided in their area of special study through the use of tutorial sessions including pupil presentations and be supported throughout their research and compilation for their dissertation topic.

COURSE ASSESSMENT

Internal Assessment

Historical research - candidates produce written and interview evidence of their planning and preparation of the dissertation.

Historical Study

Part One Candidates will complete UASPs throughout the year. All outcomes must be achieved in order to obtain a pass at Advanced Higher Qualification. Here candidates are required to display detailed knowledge and understanding of the topics as well as skills in evaluating sources.

External Assessment

Students are required to produce an Added Value Unit in the form of a dissertation of no more than 4000 words. This is submitted to the SQA for external marking by March. Choice of title can be made from the SQA 'approved' list of dissertation topics for students and discussion with class teacher. The final exam in May will be one paper, three hours long. Candidates will write two essays and answer 3 source based questions.