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History

Brief summary of course content:

Students will study four modern history topics from the twentieth century: two Irish history topics, and two topics from Europe and the wider world.

How is this subject examined?

Ordinary and Higher level:

- Written Examination (80%): The exam contains four questions – one for each topic. At Higher Level, three questions are essay questions, and one is a documents-based question. At ordinary level, all questions contain documents to answer questions on and long and short paragraph questions.
- Research Study (20%): This will be written up and submitted prior to the Leaving Cert in March of sixth year.

Additional information:

Students who wish to study history should be prepared to do a lot of reading. Students with a real interest in history tend to do better. The essay-writing element of the exam requires a good standard of English; however this level can be achieved through continued essay-writing practice.

The Research Study Report can be done on any topic in history that the student is interested in – as long as it is before 1993 in Ireland, or 1992 outside of Ireland.

There will be at least two non-compulsory history trips during the course of the Leaving Cert if sufficient numbers of students wish to attend (one overnight trip to Derry, and one trip abroad).