

## **History**

### **National 4 and 5**

#### **Why take this course?**

By studying History you will develop a better understanding of your own community, your country and the wider world. Not only is history about your heritage and the past, it is a subject which gives you considerable skills which are attractive to employers.

#### **To succeed in this course, you need to:**

- **Be interested in history**
- **Be prepared to work hard in class and in your own time.**

It is possible for a motivated and hard-working student to study this course without previous background in this subject area but you should initially consult Mr Shearer.

#### **Course content and structure**

##### **The Atlantic Slave Trade 1770-1807: British**

- The Triangular Trade
- Britain and the Caribbean
- The Captive's Experience and Slave resistance
- The Abolitionist campaigns

##### **Migration and Empire, 1830-1939: Scottish**

- Immigration to Scotland, 1830s-1939
- The experience of immigrants in Scotland, 1880s-1939
- Scottish Emigration, 1830s-1939
- The experience of Scots abroad, 1830s-1939

##### **Hitler and Nazi Germany 1919-1939: European & World**

- Weimar Germany 1919-1929
- The rise to power 1929-1933
- Nazi control of Germany
- Nazi social and economic policies

#### **Course assessment**

National 4 assessments are assessed internally. National 5 assessments are marked by SQA and comprise a question paper and an assignment.

#### **Where might this course take me?**

If studied at university or college, a degree in History can be an impressive and attractive feature on a CV. Employers value the research, analytical, teamwork and communication skills that history students develop throughout their degree. These skills are invaluable in many jobs, and the ability to analyse and then prioritise information is vital to decision making. This not only provides a skills set for a student but it also keeps career options open.

Passing this course with Grade C or above is recommended in order to progress on to the Higher History course.