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History



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# WHAT SKILLS WILL I LEARN IN THIS SUBJECT?

History is not just about studying the past but gives you many skills that are transferable into many other professions.

- Analysis of information
- Prioritising information
- Constructing a critical argument
- Analysis of text e.g. primary sources and interpretations
- Research
- Independent learning

All of these skills are highly valued in many sectors

History helps us to understand the past and the current affairs of society.



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# WHAT CAREERS LINK TO THIS SUBJECT?

You can go on to choose History at university.

Traditional History linked careers including...

- **Historian** – working in research, universities, museums, or archives.
- **Archivist** – preserving and organizing historical documents.
- **Museum curator** – managing collections and creating exhibitions.
- **Archaeologist** – investigating human history through excavation and artifacts.
- **Conservation officer** – protecting historical sites or heritage buildings.



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History A level to get onto courses such as:

## Law and politics...

- **Lawyer / Barrister / Solicitor** (History is a respected pre-law subject)
- **Civil Service / Policy Advisor** – helping shape government decisions.
- **Diplomat / Foreign Service Officer** – applying historical and cultural knowledge in international relations.
- **Political analyst / Journalist** – understanding the context behind events.

## Education and Academia...

- **Teacher / Lecturer** – at primary, secondary or university level

## Media, writing and communication...

- **Journalist, publishing, screen writing or historical consultant.**

## Business management...

- **Management consulting** – problem solving and strategic thinking
- **Human resources**
- **Marketing / branding**



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# WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE?

A good place to start is official career guidance websites as these give clear overviews of jobs, required qualification and salary range.

- <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/>
- <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>
- <https://www.ucas.com/explore/careers>

University & College Resources..

Visit **university course pages** (e.g., History, Law, Politics, Archaeology) — they often list **career destinations of past students**.

Work Experience & Volunteering - Getting first-hand experience is one of the best ways to explore:

- **Museums / heritage sites** → volunteering or summer internships.
- **Local council archives or libraries** → help with cataloguing or exhibitions.
- **Newspapers / media outlets** → short work experience placements.



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