

# History

## BA Hons



## Programme information

History at the University of Greenwich is more than a discipline and study programme. Set amid the splendid Maritime Greenwich World Heritage Site, our campus and surrounds are a unique legacy of British maritime, imperial and scientific history.

As well as gaining an in-depth and wide knowledge of the past, students develop practical and transferable skills in communication, research, critical analysis and problem solving.

### You should apply for this course if interested in:

- how the past has shaped the present and why the world is the way it is;
- understanding the past and the impact it has on our lives;
- developing new skills in communication and analysis;
- a career in research, teaching, government or the cultural sector;
- investigating what history means in today's multicultural and globalised world;
- knowing more about your own history, or the histories of your family and community.

## Why study history at the University of Greenwich?

With our magnificent surroundings and convenient location, just minutes from London's many archives, galleries and museums, the university is an ideal base from which to explore and engage with history.

Greenwich's historians research and teach in a variety of fields. You have the chance to work with specialists in British, European, African, Asian and American history. You also study across national and international boundaries, exploring questions of society and culture and examining the history of race, gender and identity.

## Why study in the School of Humanities & Social Sciences?

The School has a long tradition of interdisciplinary study. It offers variety, flexibility and interplay between programmes, which has created a dynamic and innovative School with a lively and diverse student body of over 2,000.

The School offers courses and programmes of study in a range of disciplines, giving you the possibility of taking one or more courses in, for instance, drama, politics, philosophy, media and cultural studies, alongside your chosen discipline. You also have the opportunity to study a European language.

## Career opportunities

You acquire skills such as critical evaluation and interpretation of evidence, problem solving, analysis and synthesis, and good written and oral communication. These equip you for careers such as research, including market research, teaching, administration and government, librarianship and information services, and museums and heritage management.

## What courses will you study?

### Year 1

- Victorian and Edwardian Britain;
- The Eighteenth Century World: State, Society and Empire;
- War, Culture and Society or Film and American Society;
- Option chosen from History or another discipline.

### Year 2

- History: Theory and Practice;
- Germany, Europe and the World, 1871-1945 or Culture and Society in Twentieth Century Britain;
- Option chosen from: Dream Factory: The Motion Picture Industry in American Society; Family and Community History or another 'period study' option from above;
- Option chosen from History or another discipline.

### Year 3

- The French Revolution;
- Rise and Fall of Apartheid South Africa;
- Option chosen from: The Empire Strikes Back? Race and Immigration in Twentieth Century Britain; Working for Hollywood; Work Placement; Dissertation;
- Option chosen from History or another discipline.

Year 3 students have the opportunity to undertake either a dissertation or a work-based placement. The dissertation enables you to work on a topic of your own choosing and to put into practice the skills of analysis and research developed in years 1 and 2; the work placement allows you to gain practical experience of working in a history-related profession.

## Combined honours degrees

It is possible to combine history with another subject. For example, history and English, or history with politics. For information on combined honours and details of possible combinations, see [www.gre.ac.uk/courses/comb](http://www.gre.ac.uk/courses/comb).

### Yvette Fofah, third-year BA Hons History student

“Studying history at Greenwich has given me an excellent understanding of the subject. In the first year I was given a basic overview of what being a historian entailed. I then developed my reasoning skills so I could explore the thoughts behind arguments. The final year was about my personal development as a historian, and using the skills I had learned. The history team is always on hand to help, and the choice of a dissertation or placement allows you to further benefit your career. Even if you choose not to become a historian, or work in a museum or as a teacher, this programme gives you a broad, fulfilling degree that you can use for almost anything.”

## Teaching and assessment

Assessment is through examinations and coursework tasks, including individual and group projects, presentations, critical reviews and portfolios, as well as conventional analytical essays.

## Visit us

Open Days and information fairs are held several times a year. These typically offer a programme of talks and the chance to speak to staff and students, and advisers from the careers and students services, Disability & Dyslexia Centre and International Office. You may also tour the campus. A list of dates can be found at [www.gre.ac.uk/about/open](http://www.gre.ac.uk/about/open).

## Key facts

**UCAS code:** V100 BA/Hist

**Attendance:** 3 years full-time, 6 years part-time

**Entry requirements:** standard university entry requirements apply. For further information, see [www.gre.ac.uk/courses/ug/entry\\_requirements](http://www.gre.ac.uk/courses/ug/entry_requirements).

Applications from students of all backgrounds are welcome, including school and college leavers, mature students and those in employment. Consideration of your application will be based on your potential.

**How to apply:** full-time students apply through UCAS up to the 15 January before entry in September. However, late applications are welcome. Part-time students apply directly to the university by post or online at <http://olaf.gre.ac.uk>. There is no closing date. For help in entry through Clearing, contact the Enquiry Unit.



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