

MODULE SPECIFICATION

Part 1: Information						
Module Title	British History from the Black Death to the Peterloo Massacre					
Module Code	UPHN	IE3-15-1	Level	1		
For implementation from	Septe	eptember 2019				
UWE Credit Rating	15		ECTS Credit Rating	7.5		
Faculty	Arts, Creative Industries and Education		Field	History		
Department	Arts a	rts and Cultural Industries				
Contributes towards	BA Ho	BA Hons History (compulsory); BA Hons English and History (compulsory)				
Module type:	Stand	andard				
Pre-requisites		None				
Excluded Combinations		None				
Co- requisites		None				
Module Entry requirem	nents	N/A				

Part 2: Description

This first-year module is an introduction to and overview of nearly 500 years of British history. Students consider political, social, cultural, religious and imperial history in Britain from the fourteenth-century Black Death through to the early nineteenth century. Taking a broad geographical and chronological view, the course considers the interwoven and often contentious histories of England, Wales, Ireland and Scotland, and students will explore both specific events and thematic topics in weekly sessions.

The module will be delivered through a combination of lectures and seminars. Although the module is clearly content-driven students will be encouraged to think carefully about the sources historians use to construct their arguments and the way in which academic debate is constructed from such sources. Lectures will provide an outline of each topic and provide some contextual background for the seminars. Seminar sessions will use a combination of selected primary source material from the period (e.g. textual, visual, oral, material), and selections of secondary literature, and students will have the opportunity to discuss and debate issues arising from these readings.

Part 3: Assessment

The module is assessed through a journal article review (1,800 words), and a 90 minute open-book exam. These assessments are designed to test a range of abilities from critical evaluation of academic literature to the clear and concise communication of ideas, and to develop essential skills for the study of history at levels 2 and 3.

For the journal article review, students are required to select one set of paired articles from the designated titles and critically evaluate the content and argument of each. For the open-book exam, students will be required to answer two questions relating to topics covered across the module. This exam format encourages students to engage with the module in its entirety.

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The assessments are designed to measure:

a) critical understanding of concepts and topics relating to British history, as explored in the module

b) the ability to understand and critically assess journal literature

c) the ability to present ideas in clear prose and observe appropriate academic standards (footnotes, bibliographies)

Feedback for these assessments will be sent first to students electronically. All students will be invited to attend personal feedback tutorials which will be a timetabled part of the module's contact hours.

Identify final timetable (component and elem	abled piece of assessment Component A					
	n components A and B (Standard	modules only)	A: 50%	B: 50%		
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Component A (contr Description of each	Element weighting (as % of component)					
1. Open book exam (90 minutes)		100%			
Component B Description of each element			Element weighting (as % of component)			
1. Journal article revie	ew (1,800 words)		100%			
Resit (further attend	lance at taught classes is not requ	uired)				
Component A (controlled conditions) Description of each element				Element weighting (as % of component)		
1. Open book exam (90 minutes)			100%			
Component B Description of each element			Element weighting (as % of component)			
1. Journal article review (1,800 words)			100%			
	Part 4: Learning Ou	utcomes & KIS Data				
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of this m	nodule students will be able to:				
Outcomes	 Demonstrate the ability to work independently, with self-discipline and effective time management (Research pathway, professional pathway) 					
	 Develop and demonstrate skills in critical reading (Research & professional) 					
	 Demonstrate the ability to formulate and justify their own arguments and conclusions about a range of issues (Research & professional) 					
	 Summarise and critically evaluate the relative merits of alternative views and interpretations, and evaluate their significance (Research & professional) 					
	 Communicate ideas clearly and concisely (Research & professional) 					
Key Information Sets Information						

STUDENT AND ACADEMIC SERVICES

	Key Inf	ormation Set - Me	odule data				
	Numbe	Number of credits for this mo			15		
	Hours t be allocate	learning and	Independent study hours	Placement study hours	Allocated Hours		
Contact Hours	150	36	114	0	150		
Total Assessment	constitutes a; Written Exam: U Coursework: Wr test Practical Exam: practical exam (i.	itten assignmer Oral Assessme	nt or essay, re nt and/or pres ermining mas	port, disserta sentation, pra tery of a tech	actical skills a		
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	-	Coursework as		50%	_		
	-	Practical exam assessment percentage			0%		
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Reading List	Reading list to fol https://rl.talis.com				6FFCBFCAE	E2B3.html	

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