

Programme Specification

1	Awarding body	University of London				
2	Teaching Institution	Birkbeck College				
3	Programme Title(s)	Grad Cert History				
4	Programme Code(s)	GCGHISTO_C				
5	UCAS code	N/A				
6	Home Department	History, Classics and Archaeology				
7	Exit Award(s)	N/A				
8	Duration of Study (number of years)	1 year part-time				
9	Mode of Study	FT		PT	x	DL
10	Level of Award (FHEQ)	6				
11	Other teaching depts or institution	N/A				
12	Professional, Statutory Regulatory Body(PSRB) details	N/A				
13	QAA Benchmark Group	N/A				

14	Programme Rationale & Aims
	This programme provides an interim level of study between BA and MA level. It is available as a stand-alone degree, but is particularly suitable for those wishing to progress to MA study who do not however come from a humanities/social sciences background.

15	Entry Criteria
	Open to students who have a first degree (BA/BSc).

16	Learning Outcomes
	<p>Subject Specific:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. an awareness of contemporary historical practice 2. an understanding of the methodologies used in the analysis and interpretation of historical documents and other forms of source material where appropriate 3. to use historical sources to form interpretations about past societies 4. to understand core debates within specific subject fields <p>Intellectual</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. the ability to carry out effective and critical evaluations of information, data and interpretations 6. the use of critical reasoning

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	<p>7. the development of analytical skills</p> <p>8. the ability to synthesise different types and quantities of data and information</p> <p>9. the ability to tackle complex problems and select the appropriate evidence to solve them</p> <p>Practical:</p> <p>10. improved level of IT skills and computer literacy through experiences with word processing and internet, and where appropriate with databases and spreadsheets</p> <p>11. ability to collate, compare and analyse substantial quantities of data</p> <p>12. to carry out documentary-based research</p> <p>13. to present findings both orally and in writing</p> <p>Personal and Social:</p> <p>14. the ability to work successfully in teams</p> <p>15. the ability to work successfully on an independent basis</p> <p>16. to develop presentation skills</p> <p>17. to develop organisational skills</p> <p>18. to master time-management</p>
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17	Learning, teaching and assessment methods
	The degree is taught through lecture and seminar, and assessment is via written coursework and closed paper examination.

18	Programme Description
	Students taking this programme take a core course in historical study, and then have a choice to either take a dissertation module, or to take any level 6 history module available.

19	Programme Structure			
Part Time programme				
Year 1				
Level	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Status
6	FFHI318S6	Foundations of History: Sources and Debates	30	Core
6	FFHI299S6	Dissertation OR any level 6 module offered in History, Classics and Archaeology	30	Option

Status*

CORE – Module must be taken and passed by student; COMPULSORY – Module must be taken, mark can be reviewed at sub-exam board; OPTIONAL – Student can choose to take this module

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20	Programme Director	Dr Rebecca Taylor
21	Start Date (<i>term/year</i>)	2008
22	Date approved by TQEC	Spring 2008
23	Date approved by Academic Board	Summer 2008
24	Date(s) updated/amended	July 2013