Academic Year 2024/25

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Politics and History

UCAS Code: VL12

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Politics and History (with Placement Year)

Internal Code: 1439U (4 years)

Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Politics and History with International Study Year

Internal Code: 1616U (4 years)

Notes

- (i) These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Taught Programme Regulations.
- (ii) All optional modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on a particular module. Not all modules may be offered in all years and they are listed subject to availability.
- (iii) Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.
- (iv) A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.
- (v) A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module.
- (vi) All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning, distance learning or Blended.

1. Stage 1

- (a) All candidates shall select modules to a total credit value of 120. All candidates must take at least one module in History (including HCA coded modules) and at least one module in Politics in each semester.
- (b) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
HIS1100	Evidence and Argument	20	20		4		
POL1046	Order and Disorder: The Shaping of the 21st Century	20	20		4		

(c) All candidates must select at least 1 module (20 credits) from **History List 1** and at least 1 module (20 credits) from **Politics List 1** below.

(d) All candidates must take either 60 credits in each semester or 50 credits in one and 70 credits in the other.

History List 1

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
HIS1101	Historical Sources and Methods	20		20	4		
HIS1102	History Lab I	20	20		4		
HIS1103	History Lab II	20		20	4		
HIS1104	Introduction to Public History	20		20	4		
HIS1105	What Is History For?	20	20		4		

Politics List 1

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
POL1015	The Westminster System: the UK in comparative perspective	20		20	4		
POL1032	Key Concepts in International Politics	20		20	4		
POL1045	Becoming a Political Analyst	20	20		4		
POL1049	Power and Inequality	20		20	4		
POL1050	Politics of Happiness	20	20		4		

(e) All candidates must select their final 2 modules (40 credits) from **History List 1**, **Politics List 1 or HCA List 1 (below)**, or, with the approval of the Degree Programme Director, they may select 1 module from either list, plus modules to a maximum of 20 credits from those offered by other schools in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

HCA List 1

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
HCA1001	Slavery	20	20		4		
HCA1003	Global Middle Ages	20		20	4		Blended
HCA1007	Stuff: living in a material world	20		20	4		
HCA1008	Global Ancient Histories	20	20		4		

2. Stage 2

- (a) All candidates shall select modules to a credit value of 120. All candidates must take at least one module in History and at least one module in Politics in each semester.
- (b) All candidates shall select up to 3 modules in History from **History List 2** including at least 1 HIS-coded module and up to 3 modules in Politics from **Politics List 2** below. For candidates planning to take the History dissertation (HIS3020) in Stage 3, Crafting History (HIS2304) is a recommended option; for candidates planning to take one of the Politics research modules at Stage 3, Becoming a Political Researcher (POL2017) is a recommended option.
- (c) All candidates must take either 60 credits in each semester or 50 credits in one and 70 credits in the other.

History List 2

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
ARA2011	From Lascaux to Knossos: Prehistoric Europe	20		20	5		
ARA2091	Archaeologies of the Roman Empire: The Roman World from Augustus to Justinian	20		20	5		Blended
ARA2092	The Medieval World: AD 400- 1500	20	20		5		
ARA2097	Colonial Worlds: History and Archaeology	20		20	5		
CAH2006	Hellenistic Empires from Alexander to Cleopatra	20	20		5		
CAH2017	The Roman World from Hadrian to Heraclius	20		20	5		
CAH2020	Greek and Roman Religions	20		20	5		
CAH2061	Slavery in Greco-Roman Antiquity	20	20		5		
HIS2027	Africa: History of a Continent	20	20		5		
HIS2219	Oral History and Memory	20	20		5		
HIS2240	Greece, from ancient to modern	20		20	5		
HIS2301	Communication in the Medieval World, from Europe to Asia: Prayer, Poetry, Pictures, and Travel	20	20		5		Blended
HIS2304	Crafting History: The Dissertation Proposal	20		20	5		
HIS2306	Famines in History	20		20	5		

HIS2308	History and Film: Representing the Past	20		20	5	
HIS2309	East Asia from Antiquity to the Nineteenth Century	20		20	5	
HIS2315	Violence in the American South: From the Colonial Era to Civil Rights	20	20		5	Blended
HIS2316	Researching History	20	20		5	Blended
HIS2317	The Aftermath of War in Europe and Asia, 1945-56	20		20	5	
HIS2318	Revolutions of the Mind: European Thought, 1550-1750	20		20	5	
HIS2320	The Supernatural: The Cultural History of Occult Forces	20	20		5	
HIS2321	Destroying Nature: Disasters, Diseases and Environmental Injustice	20		20	5	
HIS2322	Diversities of Sexuality and Gender in History	20	20		5	
HIS2323	A History of Contemporary Britain	20		20	5	
HIS2325	The Mediterranean: a connected past	20	20		5	
LAS2030	Comparative History of Hispano- America and Brazil: from Independence to the Mexican Revolution (1789/1810-1917)	20	20		5	

Politics List 2

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Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
POL2012	Politics of the Middle East	20		20	5		
POL2015	International Institutions and Organisations	20	20		5		
POL2017	Becoming a Political Researcher	20		20	5		
POL2022	Government and Politics of the USA	20	20		5		
POL2034	The Politics and Policy of the European Union	20	20		5		

POL2035	Power and Poverty in the Global Economy	20	20		5	
POL2046	A Global History of Political Thought	20		20	5	
POL2082	Political Violence and the Modern State	20	20		5	
POL2088	The Politics of Africa: Africa's place in Global Politics	20		20	5	
POL2090	Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion: Social Issues in Contemporary Political Philosophy	20	20		5	
POL2110	Critical Security Studies	20		20	5	
POL2111	Democracy or Dictatorship? What are the differences and how do we analyse them	20		20	5	
POL2113	Sex, Gender and Power	20	20		5	
POL2114	The Politics of Race	20		20	5	

- (d) Notwithstanding 2 (a)-(c) above, candidates may, subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director, select modules with a total credit value of 20 from those offered by other Schools in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.
- (e) Candidate may select, subject to the approval of the DPD, the following module:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
NCL2007	Career Development for second year students	20	10	10	5		

(f) Candidates may choose to study abroad for one semester as part of International Study, subject to agreeing an overall selection of modules with the Degree Programme Director. Candidates wishing to participate in International Study should choose one of the following module codes:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре
HSS2601	HaSS Study Abroad Semester 1 60 credits	60	60		5	
HSS2602	HaSS Study Abroad Semester 2 60 credits	60		60	5	

3. Year 3 (Career Placement Year)

- (a) On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may as part of their studies for the degree spend a year in a placement with an approved organisation. Permission to undertake a placement is subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director. Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their placement until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete a placement year.
- (b) All candidates will take the following compulsory module:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits		Credits Sem 2	Credits Sem 3	Level	Туре	Mode
NCL3000	Careers Service Placement Year Module	120	60	60		6		Blended Learning

NB: Placement opportunities will be guided by national and institutional policy at the time

4. Year 3 (International Study Year)

- (a) On completion of Stage 2 and before entering Stage 3, candidates may as part of their studies for the degree spend a year abroad at an appropriate exchange partner institution. Permission to undertake a year abroad is subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director. Students who are required to re-sit their Stage 2 assessment must delay the start of their placement until they have done so. Students who fail Stage 2 may not complete a year abroad.
- (b) All candidates will take the following compulsory module:

Code	Descriptive title	Total	Credits	Credits	Credits	Level	Туре	Mode
		Credits	Sem 1	Sem 2	Sem 3			
ISY3000	International Study Year	120	60	60		6		
	Module							

5. Stage 3

- (a) All candidates shall select modules to a credit value of 120.
- (b) All candidates shall select modules to the credit value of no less than 40 and no more than 60 credits in Politics (POL) from the lists below, unless taking 40 credits of Politics research modules from list (e) in which case candidates may take no more than 80 credits in Politics.

- (c) All candidates shall select modules to the credit value of no less than 40 and no more than 60 credits in History (HIS) from the History Lists 3.1 and 3.2 below, unless taking HIS3020 (History dissertation), in which case candidates may take no more than 80 credits in History.
- (d) All candidates shall take no more than 2 optional modules (1 module in each semester, worth 40 credits in total) from the **History 3.2 list.**

History List 3.1

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
HIS3000	Reading History	20	20		6		
HIS3036	Public History In Practice	20		20	6		

History List 3.2

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
ARA3013	Early Medieval Britain	20		20	6		
ARA3121	Sex, bodies, and identities in Classical Greece	20	20		6		
HIS3204	The British Revolutions, 1640-1660	20	20		6		
HIS3206	The Irish Revolution, 1879-1923	20		20	6		
HIS3212	Reconstruction and the New South, 1865-1900	20		20	6		
HIS3220	British Foreign Policy since Suez	20	20		6		
HIS3221	Birth Control in the 19 th and 20 th Centuries	20	20		6		
HIS3232	Civil Rights and Armalites Northern Ireland since 1969	20		20	6		
HIS3240	Civil Rights in America, 1948-1975	20		20	6		
HIS3326	Women in Colonial South Asia: Tradition, Reform and Modernity	20		20	6		
HIS3335	Europe and the Ottoman Empire, 1453-1798	20		20	6		
HIS3336	Punishing the Criminal Dead: Crime, Culture, and Corpses in Modern Britain	20		20	6		
HIS3344	The Rise and Fall of the Berlin Wall, 1961-1990	20		20	6		
HIS3346	The Rising Generation: Youth, Age and Protest in Cold War Britain	20		20	6		Blended

HIS3348	Haitian Revolution	20		20	6	
HIS3349	Healthy Spaces for Healthy Bodies: Medicine, Humans, Places	20	20		6	
HIS3351	Buddhism and Society in Medieval Japan	20	20		6	
HIS3352	The Renaissance World of Florence, 1450-1550: Machiavelli, Mayhem, and Strife	20		20	6	
HIS3355	The Gulag: A History of the Soviet Camps – Origins, Experiences and Aftermaths	20	20		6	
HIS3359	Nineteenth Century Aotearoa New Zealand: Maori, Pakeha & Tauiwi	20	20		6	
HIS3362	War and Remembering: Recalling War in Oral Histories, c. 1950-2022	20	20		6	
HIS3365	British Colonialism in Sudan: Violence, Gender and Race, 1899- 1956	20		20	6	
HIS3366	Fictional Histories: from medieval to modern	20	20		6	
HIS3368	Exhausted! The Problem of Sleep (and not Sleeping) from 1750 to the Present Day.	20		20	6	
LAS4001	Inter-American Relations from the Spanish-American War (1898) to the end of the Cold War (1989/1991)	20		20	6	

Politics List 3

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
POL3050	The Ethics of Killing	20	20		6		
POL3054	Cities and World Politics	20		20	6		
POL3055	Applied Data Science for Political Research	20	20		6		
POL3060	The Politics of Protest in the Middle East	20	20		6		
POL3081	International Political Thought	20	20		6		
POL3117	Politics of Immigration	20		20	6		
POL3125	Politics of Citizenship	20		20	6		

POL3127	Apartheid regimes – from the local to the global	20	20		6	
POL3132	Public Policy: Theories, Cases, Skills	20		20	6	
POL3133	Politics as a Way of Life	20		20	6	

(e) Subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director, candidates may select no more than 40 credits from the following list:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
HIS3020	Writing History	40	20	20	6		
POL3046	Final Year Dissertation	40	20	20	6		
POL3047	Final Year Project: Semester 1	20	20		6		
POL3048	Final Year Project: Semester 2	20		20	6		
POL3103	Community-based Research in Politics	40	20	20	6		

(f) Subject to the approval of the Degree Programme Director candidates may select the following module:

Code	Descriptive title	Total Credits	Credits Sem 1	Credits Sem 2	Level	Туре	Mode
NCL3007	Career Development for final year students	20	10	10	6		

6. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline.

7. Degree classification

Candidates will be assessed for Honours performance on the basis of the assessment of all modules taken at Stage 2 plus all the modules taken at Stage 3. Assessment from Stage 3 counts for double that of Stage 2.

The placement year does not contribute to the degree classification, but must be passed to gain the award of Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Politics and History (with Placement Year).

8. Degree Title

Candidates who complete the three-year programme will graduate with a BA (Hons) in Politics and History.

Candidates who choose to take part in the Career Placement year will be transferred onto the four-year version of the programme. They will be on degree programme code 1439U and will graduate with a BA (Hons) in Politics and History (with Placement Year)

Candidates who choose to take part in the Study Abroad year will be transferred onto the four-year version of the programme. They will be on degree programme code 1615U and will graduate with a BA (Hons) in Politics and History with International Study Year