



# Bedales Assessed Courses



BAC History 2016-2018  
Revised Syllabus and Assessment

Matthew Yeo, Head of History and Head of BACs

[myeo@bedales.org.uk](mailto:myeo@bedales.org.uk)

# What will you study at BAC History?

- B4 Autumn Term: the *Renaissance in Italy* (art and violence in equal measure)
- B4 Easter Term: the *Tudors in England, 1509-1603* (religion, sex and violence in equal measure)
- B4 Summer Term: *Civil Rights in the 1960s: Global Comparisons* (the emergence of campaigns for civil rights in Britain, Ireland the USA, c. 1955-1979)
- B5 Autumn and Spring Terms: 'Special Subject' *From Unification to Reunification: Berlin 1871-1989*.

# How will I be assessed 1?

- Weekly reading and writing preps to build familiarity with the content, and to develop skills in source analysis, historical writing and research.
- B4 units of the course assessed by a mixture of short answers, longer essay writing, source criticism, project work and presentations: B4 will count for 40% of the total grade at BAC.
- B5 Special Subject: one long essay (2500 words) on an aspect of the history of Berlin 1871-1989 (chosen by you), and a 'response paper' on a set of historical sources relating to how Berlin changed over the course of the period 1871-1989. Worth 60% of your total grade.

# How will I be assessed 2?

- Graded under new GCSE grades 9-1 (A\*\* to lower than G at GCSE).
- Marked 'in the round', taking into account the progress you will have made over the course of the five terms of the BAC course.
- Marks and grades awarded for genuine understanding and analysis – not telling the story, and not jumping through hoops.