

Syllabus update

Cambridge International AS/A Level History (9389) (for examination in 2017 and 2018)

We have updated this syllabus. The latest syllabus is version 3, published September 2017.

Changes have been made to section 1.4, page 5, and now states:

Cambridge AICE Diploma is the group award of the Cambridge International AS and A Level. It gives schools the opportunity to benefit from offering a broad and balanced curriculum by recognising the achievements of candidates who pass examinations in three different curriculum groups.

History (9389) is in Group 3, Arts and Humanities.

Candidates can use up to two History credits towards their Cambridge AICE Diploma. They can achieve the two credits by taking:

- the full A Level
- two AS Levels on different historical topics (European, American or International History) over two or more series within a 25-month period. For example, candidates could answer questions from the European section of both papers in the June series, and then answer questions from the American section of both papers in the November series.

For candidates taking two History AS Levels, the following rules apply:

- Each topic (European, American or International History) can only contribute one credit towards the Cambridge AICE Diploma. For example, if a candidate answers questions from the European section of a paper in more than one series, only one credit will count.
- If a candidate achieves a 'mixed' AS Level by answering questions on one topic in the first paper and questions on a different topic in the second paper, this AS Level only counts as one credit towards the Cambridge AICE Diploma. It cannot be combined with another AS Level in History from another series to make up two credits.

Teachers should explain these rules to candidates taking the Cambridge AICE Diploma, as candidates must select the questions they answer carefully to meet these requirements.

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