



Why Study Religion and History?

The Joint Honors in Religion and History combines the study of the world's religions and their political and cultural impacts, together with the study of Irish, European, British and American history ranging from the Middle Ages to the present day.

You will be able to study each subject separately and indepth, and at the same time can explore the synergies between the two. When you combine Religion with History you will have the opportunity to

Examine the religious and intellectual dynamics of the Reformation in Europe *while* studying the Wars of Religion.

Interrogate the theological and cultural impact of Catholicism in Ireland *while* studying the history of the Irish State.

Learn about the religions landscapes of Africa, Asia and South America *while* studying the history of colonialism and of exploration in the 'New World'.





"From a professional perspective, as a museum curator working in the field of social history I am constantly engaging with very real and differing human interpretations of historical narratives and the meaning of 'things'. Studying in the school gave me the tools to navigate through these debates and discussions reminding me that the joy is not in having one answer to difficult questions but is instead in the wonderfully creative journeys which different responses to these questions allow. Sometimes frustrating, often challenging, but always exciting."

Alison Kelly, *BA (Hons) in Religion graduate*. Currently Project Curator of Social History for the British Museum.

Students in this programme gain uniquely transferable skills of problem solving, critical thinking, communication, and team work – skills that are highly sought after by future employers.