

Research Methodologies in the History of Medicine

Credits: 20

Assessment: 1 x 3000 word essay

This module aims to:

- introduce you to the nature of history and to historical method that determines how medical (and other) historians approach their subject
- understand historical bias and interpretation and other problems that confront historians
- examine the importance to historians of historiography, the act of writing history and the study and interpretation of the history of historical research and writing
- study the specific sources and resources that are available to medical historians and how they are studied and interpreted, including archives, oral history and cultural history

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Entry requirements

International students:

Depending on your chosen course of study, you may also be interested in the Birmingham Foundation Academy, a specially structured programme for international students whose qualifications are not accepted for direct entry to UK universities. Further details can be found on the **[foundation academy web pages \(http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/foundation-academy/Pathways/index.aspx\)](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/foundation-academy/Pathways/index.aspx)**.