

Course details

Course title

History: Tell Sad Stories of the Death of Kings: The Origins of the Wars of the Roses

Course code

Q00018740

Course date

Start: 06/11/24

End: 18/12/24

Number of classes

7 sessions

Timetable

Wed 6th Nov, 10:00 to 12:00

Wed 13th Nov, 10:00 to 12:00

Wed 20th Nov, 10:00 to 12:00

Wed 27th Nov, 10:00 to 12:00

Wed 4th Dec, 10:00 to 12:00

Wed 11th Dec, 10:00 to 12:00

Wed 18th Dec, 10:00 to 12:00

Tutor

Michael Long

Fee range

Free to £51.80

How you'll learn

You'll join a small group of fellow learners for classes online in video meetings and materials will be provided in our virtual learning environment.

Got it!

Online

Venue

Online

Level of study

Beginners

Course overview

The course examines the origins of the bitter struggle for the Crown of England in the mid-fifteenth century. It also considers the impact of events in France on England, the collapse of England's continental possessions, the end of the Hundred Years' War, and its impact on events at home. It looks at the rivalries within the nobility and whether the civil war that resulted was inevitable. It was a time characterized by dynastic instability and political chaos. The shifting of leadership and loyalties within the noble houses, as well as the numerous claims to the throne, created a sense of uncertainty and mistrust among the ruling elite which fuelled the violence and bloodshed that historians call the Wars of the Roses.

Course description

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What financial support is available?

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