

## **CERTIFICATE IN TRANSPORT HISTORY BY DISTANCE LEARNING – 2 YEARS PART-TIME**

### **Year One**

The first year of the Certificate in Transport History is made up of two compulsory modules and one optional module that are studied, one at a time, through the three terms of the first year. The modules are:

Compulsory modules:

- British Transport History before the Nineteenth Century - covering Roman times through to the dawn of the Industrial Revolution.
- British Transport History in the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries - covering developments from wooden waggonways, horse drawn barges and balloon flight through to motorways, high speed trains and Concorde.

Both modules emphasize the social, political and economic background to the emergence and development of the different transport technologies and the resultant obscurity of others.

Optional modules:

Selection of one from the following:

- The History of Urban Transport
- Putting Transport on Display - transport in museums and as heritage
- The History of Britain's Railways

### **Year Two**

The second year of the Certificate in Transport History course consists of an independent research project leading to a Long Essay of between 7,500 and 8,000 words. The subject of the research is entirely up to you – subject to approval by your tutor. Students often choose local transport issues to research:

- how transport routes changed the development of a town
- a local protest movement over closure of a railway / tram line
- changes in public transport provision over a certain period

Or they may look at more national issues:

- how and why individual transport took over from public transport
- a comparison of different transport modes on the development of tourism
- aspects of government transport policy
- air travel, mobility and environmental issues

This list gives a few examples and is not exhaustive! Tutorial support is available throughout the year.

For more information on assessment in your first and second years, please see the **Assessment & progression** section.

### Teaching materials

Teaching books and other course materials are provided for all modules on the Certificate in Transport History. Students are expected, during the course of their studies, to consult other books and journals so it may be worth locating a good local library that will offer Inter-Library Loan facilities. Through membership of the University of York library you may be able to have access to a local University library. In addition, many transport history books can be found in second-hand bookshops or with on-line book sellers.

### Teaching support

Tutors are available during the academic terms throughout the two years of the course to offer advice and assistance on any part of the programme. They will guide and assess students' work and provide feedback on progress. All students receive full details of how to keep in contact with tutors.

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### SELECTED READING LIST

Derek Aldcroft & Michael Freeman, *Transport in the Industrial Revolution* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 1983)

John Armstrong (ed), *Coastal and Short Sea Shipping* (Aldershot: Scolar, 1996)

John Armstrong, 'Transport history, 1945-95: the rise of a topic to maturity', *Journal of Transport History* 3<sup>rd</sup> series, vol. 19, no. 2, 1998

Philip Bagwell, *The Transport Revolution from 1770* (London: Batsford, 1974)

Philip Bagwell & Peter Lyth, *Transport in Britain 1750-2000: From Canal Lock to Gridlock* (London, 2002) [**this book is supplied with the course documents**]

Theo Barker & Dorian Gerhold, *The Rise and Rise of Road Transport 1700-1990* (Basingstoke: Macmillan, 1993)

MJ Daunt, *Progress and Poverty: an economic and social history of Britain 1700-1850* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1995)

Colin Divall, 'Transport 1900-1939', in Chris Wrigley, ed., *A Companion to Early Twentieth-Century Britain* (Oxford: Blackwell, 2003), pp.286-301.

Colin Divall & Winstan Bond (eds), *Suburbanising the Masses: public transport and urban development in historical perspective* (Aldershot: Ashgate, 2003)

H.J. Dyos & D.H. Aldcroft, *British Transport: An Economic Survey from the Seventeenth Century to the Twentieth* (Harmondsworth: Penguin, 1974)

Michael Freeman & Derek H. Aldcroft, eds, *Transport in Victorian Britain* (Manchester, 1988)

Terry R. Gourvish, *Railways and the British Economy 1830-1914* (Basingstoke, 1980)

WG Hoskins, *The Making of the English Landscape* (London: Hodder, 1955 and other editions)

Steven King, *Making Sense of the Industrial Revolution* (Manchester: Manchester University Press, 2001)

Charles Klapper, *The Golden Age of Tramways* (Newton Abbot: David & Charles, 1974)

LTC Rolt, *The Inland Waterways of England* (London: George Allen & Unwin, 1971)

Wolfgang Schivelbusch, *The Railway Journey: the Industrialization of Time and Space in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn., 1986 and other editions)

Jack Simmons, *The Victorian Railway* (London, 2nd edn, 1995)