

<p>Institution: University of Winchester</p> <p>Unit of Assessment: D30 History</p> <p>a. Overview</p> <p>1.1 UoA 30 (History) at the University of Winchester is a growing department in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. Two taught MAs develop research students. Research and research-informed teaching are highly valued. Historians generate outputs and a research environment beyond that expected in a unit of this size. History was entered in RAE 1996, 2001 and 2008, scoring at a progressively higher level (3b, 4, 55% at 3* and 4*). 7.6 Category A staff were in RAE 2008 and 10.2 are in REF 2014. Professors Emeriti Richardson and Yorke, and retired lecturer Morrin remain active in the research environment. Professor Lawson, who left the institution on 30 September 2013, is included: his research field is continued by Perra. All staff have received training in Equality and Diversity in accordance with University policy. Staff include three Americans, an Italian, and a Belorussian. Winchester's historians have always engaged with consumers of history as now required for impact. A research-focused blog, www.winchesterhistory.wordpress.com, Facebook account and Twitter account, all interlinked, maximise the public dissemination and impact of the UoA's research.</p> <p>1.2 The UoA focuses primarily on British and European History over the past 2000 years. Research on contemporary and international history complements existing strengths in medieval and local studies. Early modern history has expanded. Research centres on Wessex History and Archaeology and Modern History hold seminars and conferences.</p> <p>b. Research strategy</p> <p>2.1 UoA 30 is committed to research and publication to the highest international standards. New staff are integrated into planning for this REF and beyond. The Research Strategy is regularly updated at meetings of the UoA, which agrees research leave and projected research expenditure. These are administered by the Head of Department, who reviews the research of individuals within his staff development responsibilities.</p> <p>2.2 For this REF cycle the University devolved most QR monies to the UoA, permitting more intensive investment in History in a short timescale. A top-slice contributes to central research services, grant administration, and seed corn for development of other subjects. The University will have a data repository in operation for the REF cycle 2014-20. The UoA has the critical mass to enhance its research performance, both in publications and research students. In particular it has sought to support existing staff and research and research clusters, to enable new staff to develop their research and publications, to increase doctoral research, and in particular to reinforce Modern International History. These underpin annual spending plans approved by the University Research and Knowledge Exchange Committee.</p> <p>2.3 The UoA pursued the following key strategies for research development:</p> <p>2.3.1 To provide time for individual research, in particular by a rolling programme of study leave and by mitigating the most burdensome marking. This has been achieved by the employment of well-qualified Associate Lecturers to take modules, contribute to team teaching, and mark the largest influxes of undergraduate work.</p> <p>2.3.2 To provide study leave on a rolling programme for all staff.</p> <p>2.3.3 To augment internally-funded leave with external applications. Two were successful (3.5). Additionally Hicks was part-released (0.2 FTE) as Principal Investigator of the AHRC-funded <i>Mapping the Medieval Countryside</i> (Inquisitions <i>post-mortem</i>) project.</p> <p>2.3.4 To develop doctoral research, full- and part-time, partly by recruitment from MA programmes and in particular by funding six full-time PhD students on topics ranging across the research clusters. (These have been supplemented by one AHRC-funded collaborative studentship.)</p> <p>2.3.5 To support the research and research environment, in particular by defraying research expenses and funding conference attendance for all members of the UoA.</p>
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2.3.6 To develop Modern History by establishing the Modern History Research Centre, by facilitating research overseas by the international historians, and by working with the Winchester Russian Circle. Besides research seminars the Centre hosted conferences in conjunction with other universities (*God and War* and *The Future of Holocaust Studies*).

2.3.7 To encourage collaborative research projects through investing staff time and QR monies. These are the inquisitions *post mortem*, Overland Trade, New Victoria History of Hampshire, and Winchester projects. Substantial sums have been invested in these areas: £2,300 to the Inquisitions *post mortem* conference and book in 2008-9; £11,235 (2010), £24,000 (2011), and £9,000 (2012) to the Overland Trade Project.

2.3.8 Some monies have been reserved to pump-prime conferences at Winchester and publication expenses (e.g. reproduction costs of illustrations for Lavelle's *Alfred's Wars*).

2.4 These strategies are regularly reviewed, remain current, and will be maintained. They should be read alongside the new impact strategy. For the second REF cycle the following additional strategies will apply.

2.4.1 From 2013 three semesters' study leave per year will be awarded, allotting each Category A researcher leave every four years.

2.4.2 To build on the expansion of early modern history and to support new dimensions to research, notably the Royal Studies Network and research into decolonisation.

2.4.3 To explicitly consider the broader public impact of all research projects. Potential case studies will be identified and support earmarked in 2014.

2.5 The focus has moved to the second REF cycle. The very success of the current strategy has revealed new needs. There will be more emphasis in the second REF cycle on early modern history, now with four Category A staff, and to fund research travel to locations in Britain. New appointments indicate a greater emphasis on gender, health, and royalty by 2020. The highest priority remains research leave. Several leave periods have already been oriented to the second REF cycle. All continuing staff will have one semester leave toward REF 2019-20 by 2016. QR income is already invested in collaborative projects (see 2.3.6).

c. People, including:

i. Staffing strategy and staff development

3.1 There have been major changes in staffing in this REF cycle. Three Category A staff (including two professors) have retired and two have taken up posts elsewhere. There have been 7.2 appointments in broadly the same research clusters. There is now one professor (Hicks), three readers (Aldous, Curth, Haydon), and two researchers. Sandall and Woodacre are Early Career Researchers.

3.2 All Category A historians are research active. The University's annual Staff Development and Review scheme (SDR) and Ethics procedures apply to all academic research and inform individual research planning. New appointments are mentored by senior staff. New researchers are advised informally and their research proposals are scrutinised formally at SDR and at UoA meetings. The University and UoA conform to the *Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers* and the *Concordat for Research Integrity*. The University is a member of GuildHE CREST and plays a full part in its activities.

3.3 New appointments are made in open competition amongst those with recently completed PhDs in key areas. New staff have reduced teaching loads and allowance for involvement in the Postgraduate Certificate of Teaching in Higher Education. All such staff undertake the University's research supervisor training and join supervisory teams as soon as is practical. Regular refresher sessions are mandatory for existing supervisors and other training, e.g. on external grant applications, is organised as appropriate. There is a rota of leave (two semesters a year), into which new staff have accelerated entitlement. Staff on short-term contracts are eligible for courses and conference subventions from the Faculty.

3.4 There are annual opportunities to apply for the status and enhanced salaries as readers and

professors. In this cycle Aldous, Curth, and Lawson were promoted readers and Lawson to professor. All part-timers are employed on incremental scales.

3.5 The UoA has funded researchers on an equal basis, making decisions about who is included and who omitted from the REF at a late stage. Priority in the cycle was given to Early Career Researchers who needed most support to produce outputs. Once the rota was complete, further study leaves were focused where required. The rota continues in 2012-15 in preparation for the second REF cycle. Two years of externally-funded research leave were secured by Aldous (Wellcome Trust) and Lawson (British Academy).

3.6 The Inquisitions Post Mortem project employs Holford and Tompkins as researchers funded by AHRC. Much work on the Overland Trade Project was undertaken by Harwood and Hare as part-time research assistants, funded at various times by charities and internal funds. The New VCH Partnership bought out Morrin as coordinator for two days a week funded by grants from national charities administered by the Hampshire Archives Trust. Five other researchers (Bradley, Hare, James, Lutkin, McKelvie) have been employed for particular tasks on the Overland, VCH and Inquisitions projects. The Winchester and Inquisitions projects have made use of undergraduates for self-contained projects (Winchester Research Apprenticeship Programme): two in 2010, four in 2011, five in 2013.

ii. Research students

4.1 It is University strategy to maximise research student numbers. The Research and Knowledge Exchange Centre operates a supportive environment, including a two-year accredited research training programme (RTP) and supervisor training programmes. The University offers preparatory supervision whilst a proposal is firmed up, annual reviews of progression, and a formal upgrade process from MPhil to PhD status. RTP includes preparation for careers and for teaching in HE. Research students take University staff development courses, e.g. IT and online language modules. The Department offers classes in Latin and palaeography. Some research students have been funded on other courses, e.g. Advanced Databases at the Institute of Historical Research (IHR), London.

4.2 All research students have two supervisors. All Category A researchers are members of supervisory teams, initially as second supervisors. 9 have successfully completed theses. There are currently four full-time and 18 part-time research students. There have been two full-time University studentships and six funded by the UoA from QR monies in key areas of research: early and late medieval, the Holocaust, and Russian studies. Such studentships were advertised nationally and have been filled by Masters graduates from other universities. Most research students are female and mature; 5 are from outside the EU.

4.3 Two Faculty rooms near staff offices contain networked PCs and resources for research students. All full-time research students have funding for research expenses and conference attendance; part-time students bid for such bursaries. Research students normally attend research seminar series and the Winchester seminars on Comparative Medieval Cultures. They give formal academic papers themselves and also at the University's Research Symposium. Research students run their own postgraduate seminar series. Latin courses are a weekly forum for research and MA students with medieval and local interests.

4.4 History research students are members of IHR, where some regularly attend seminars and several have delivered papers. They attend conferences and give papers at them, eg Leeds International Medieval Congress, British Society for Population Studies (2007), and at Clark University, USA (Holocaust and Genocide Studies conference, 2012).

4.5 Amongst recent research students, Oakes became Economic History Society one-year fellow and a three-year British Academy postdoctoral fellow in medieval demography. She has twice contributed Wessex research seminars. Brondarbit, Johnson and McKelvie secured IHR bursaries towards their researches. MA and research students are encouraged to publish their results. Since 2008, books have been published by Grover, Phillips and Stoeber, 11 volumes in 3 record series -

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Southampton (Butler, 3, Harwood, Thick), New Forest (Reeves, 5), and Hampshire (Beard) – and numerous articles in Hampshire Studies (Beard 3, Clayton 1, Grant 1), Southern History (Harwood, Wood), Wiltshire Archaeological Magazine (Langlands, Pitt), and World Archaeology (Langlands). In 2013 Konshuh organised the AHRC-funded Hart exhibition at Goldsmiths College, London.

d. Income, infrastructure and facilities

5.1 The management of research in History is outlined above (2). The 400 hours for research in all staff workloads is supplemented by regular study leave.

5.2 All staff and full-time research students have offices and networked access to databases and electronic sources supported by IT training and back-up by the University's IT Centre and access to similar facilities at the University's newly purpose-converted Research Centre. Online resources include British and Irish Bibliography of History, British History Online, Early English Books, Eighteenth Century Collections, and *Oxford DNB*. The University has significant special collections, e.g. the Thorold Lyttleton Library, an ecclesiastical and theological library. Many research projects of staff, MA and research students are based on archives at Hampshire record office or elsewhere in Winchester: of the bishop, cathedral, city, county, Winchester College, St Cross Hospital, regiments, or Southampton City Record Office.

5.3 The UoA received £10,000 per annum until 2008 and any other sums self-generated, but since then it has been allowed almost all QR income (£108,882 in 2009-10; £101,000 in 2010-11; £104,772 in 2011-12), less a University and Faculty top-slice for administration, in particular for research students. This has been supplemented by successful internal grant applications from HEIF monies up to 2011 for particular projects (e.g. £20,594 Overland Trade in 2003-8, £6,790 for Inquisitions Post-Mortem). HEIF ceased in 2011. The British Academy awarded £7,500 for a feasibility study of Hicks' Inquisitions Post-Mortem project in 2008-9, which underpinned the larger project, awarded £528,000 by the AHRC over three years jointly with the Department of Digital Humanities, King's College London. Aldous' Wellcome Trust £44,340 award enabled completion of his book *Reforming Public health in Occupied Japan, 1945-52*. Lawson's British Academy Mid-Career Fellowship awarded £90,000 to research his book on Tasmanian Genocide. Smaller sums were awarded by the Marc Fitch Fund in 2009 (£2,600), Charlotte Bonham-Carter Charitable Trust (£5,589) and Pilgrim Trust (£2,589) towards the Inquisitions Post-Mortem and Overland Trade projects. Larger awards by Marc Fitch, Charlotte Bonham-Carter, and Bulldog Trusts to the New VCH Hampshire Partnership include £7,700 in 2010-11 and £10,000 in 2011-12 devolved to the University to second Morrin as coordinator, fund Lutkin's research on medieval published sources, and to defray volunteers' travel expenses.

5.4 The UoA strategy has sought to enable all Category A staff to maximise their outputs and be involved in wider research communities. Additional funding has been targeted on the six funded research studentships that have been allocated to early and late medieval, early modern, Victorian English/ British topics and contemporary Holocaust and Russian studies.

e. Collaboration and contribution to the discipline or research base

6.1 Academic staff are all integrated in their particular academic networks – publishing, editing, refereeing, reviewing, speaking at conferences and seminars, external examining, and running societies and conferences [see details below]. Haydon, Hicks, James, Lavelle, Lawson, Richardson, and Yorke are Fellows of the Royal Historical Society and James and Yorke, Fellows of the Society of Antiquaries. Aldous was Wellcome Trust fellow (2009-10), Lawson, British Academy Mid-Career Fellow (2011-12), Chernyshova, was Richardson Mayers Fellow, Huntington Library (2011), and Perra, Fellow at the British School at Rome (2008-9).

6.2 Within Wessex, UoA members have long been officers and committee-members of the Hampshire county society (Hampshire Field Club and Archaeological Society) and regional Southern History Society; have edited local history in *Hampshire Studies*, Hampshire Record Series, Southampton Record Series, and Hampshire Papers almost continuously since 1980; and contribute substantially to the Winchester Branch of the Historical Association, of which Haydon is current Programme Secretary. All these bodies perform adult educational functions. Allen and

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Curth are editors of the local history and New Perspectives in Veterinary History series of Winchester University Press and Lavelle of the Wessex Historical Databases. Research projects cover Dorset and Wiltshire, which lack academic history departments. The Wessex Centre of History and Archaeology runs complementary series of research seminars and two annual day conferences in Winchester and Salisbury. Several ongoing collaborative projects listed below are focused on the region.

6.3 This REF cycle has witnessed a great expansion in collaborative research projects:

6.3.1 The AHRC funded *Mapping the Medieval Countryside* project (Hicks, Holford, Tompkins, McKelvie) in collaboration with the Department of Digital Humanities, King's College London [detailed under Fifteenth-Century Impact Case Study].

6.3.2 Overland Trade Project (Hicks, Bradley, Hare, Harwood, James) jointly with the GeoData Institute, University of Southampton [detailed in Wessex case study].

6.3.3 New Victoria County History of Hampshire (Hicks, Morrin, Hare) as part of the VCH Hampshire Partnership. This is a long-term project.

6.3.4 The Winchester Project (James) [detailed in Wessex case study].

6.3.5 Wessex Centre (Hicks) and Wessex Historical Databases (Lavelle).

6.3.6 *Holocaust Studies* (Lawson and Perra). Apart from *Holocaust Studies*, co-edited with Parkes Institute, Southampton and Edinburgh University, and the *God and War* conference (2010) with Worcester University, Lawson worked with the Holocaust Educational Trust, Clark University on *The Holocaust and Local History* (2011), and with Sydney University on *Memory of the Holocaust in Australia* (2008). He was advisory panellist for an Australian Research Council bid with Sydney University.

6.3.7 Royalty Studies. Founded by Woodacre, this network held two major conferences in 2012-13, and has 142 subscribers. Plans for an online journal are advanced.

6.3.8 Japanese Health. Aldous collaborated with Professor Akihito Suzuki of Keio University, Tokyo, on *Reforming Public health in Occupied Japan, 1945-52*.

6.3.8 Anglo-Saxon history. Since June 2013 the Department has hosted a Brazilian government-funded (Coordenação de Aperfeiçoamento de Pessoal de Nível Superior) one-year research fellow, Dr Elton O.S. Medeiros, working with Lavelle on ideologies of West Saxon kingship in the ninth and tenth centuries

6.3.9 Curth belongs to the British Studies Animals Network and is on the Advisory Panel for Edinburgh University's project 'The Animal Renaissance: Human and Animal in Italy c.1400-c.1600'.

6.4 There is cross-membership between the Centre for Wessex History and Archaeology and Southampton's Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Culture. Lawson is Honorary Research Fellow of the Parkes Institute.

6.5 Additionally Hicks belongs to the AHRC Biography network, Sandall represents the University on South Downs National Park projects and is on the steering committee for the South Downs Songs Project. Woodacre founded the Royal Studies Network (2012), already with 165 members, and is French and Spanish editor, *Female Biography Project* (new edition of Mary Hays' *Female Biography* [1803]). Yorke is on the steering committee for the Leverhulme-funded Beyond the Tribal Hidage project and advises the Leverhulme-funded, Landscape of Governance project, both at the Institute of Archaeology, UCL. She helped prepare the CD-Rom *The English Parish Church: Medieval Church; Monasteries and Cathedrals* (University of York). She curated the 'King Alfred: Warfare, Wealth and Wisdom' exhibition and advised on the 'Hyde 900' exhibition, both at the Winchester Discovery Centre. She is advising on the Mortuary Chests project, Winchester Cathedral. Lawson co-edited the collections *The Holocaust and Local History* (Vallentine Mitchell) and *God and War: the Church of England and Armed Conflict in the Twentieth Century* (Ashgate).

6.6 Aldous and Lawson externally examine taught MA degrees. Haydon, Hicks, Lavelle, Lawson, and Yorke have externally examined 10 MPhils/PhDs at various British universities.

6.7 Lawson is co-editor of *Holocaust Studies* and associate editor of *Journal of Genocide Research*, Hicks, reviews editor, *Southern History*, Lavelle, history editor, *Hampshire Studies* and editor, Wessex Historical Databases, and Richardson of Manchester University Press's *Issues in Historiography* and *Bibliographies* series. Richardson was co-editor of *Literature and History*, and Aldous, review editor, *Japan Forum*. Curth and Haydon are on editorial boards, *Huntington Library Quarterly* and *Archives*. Haydon summarises journals for *English Historical Review*.

6.8 Haydon serves on the British Association for Local History's education committee and British Records Association Council, and was on the Historical Association Council. Hicks served on the Committees of the Victoria County History (national and Wiltshire) and on IHR Fellowships Committee; Morrin is secretary, Southern History Society, and committee member, Agricultural History Society; Yorke is on the board of the International Society of Anglo-Saxons.

6.9 Hicks refereed grant proposals for AHRC, ESRC, and Dutch Research Council, Curth for ESRC and Wellcome Trust, Lavelle for Marc Fitch Fund, Lawson for Czech Science Foundation, Perra for AHRC, and Yorke for AHRC and Leverhulme Trust.

6.10 Ten staff referee for 23 journals: *Agricultural History Review* (Holford), *Anglo-Saxon Studies in Archaeology and History* (Yorke), *Contemporary British History* (Lawson), *Devonshire Studies* (Lavelle), *Early Medieval Europe* (Yorke), *English Historical Review* (Hicks, Yorke), *German History* (Lawson), *Hampshire Studies* (Haydon, Hicks, Lavelle), *Historical Research* (Hicks, Lavelle), *History* (Lavelle), *Holocaust Studies* (Perra), *Japan Forum* (Aldous), *Journal of Genocide Research* (Lawson), *Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History* (Haydon), *Journal of Medieval History* (Hicks), *Journal of North Atlantic Studies* (Lavelle), *Memory Studies* (Perra), *Medieval Chronicle*, *Parergon*, *Southern History*, *Speculum* (Hicks), *Russian Review* (Chernyshova), *Studies in Church History* (Haydon). 4 staff have refereed books for 11 publishers: Monash UP (Aldous), Berghahn, Bloomsbury, Routledge, Palgrave Macmillan, Vallentine Mitchell (Lawson), Blackwell, Boydell, IB Tauris, Longman, OUP, Routledge (Hicks), OUP and Routledge (Yorke).

6.11 Fourteen staff have written reviews for 38 journals: *Anglican and Episcopal History* (USA) (Haydon), *Antiquaries Journal* (Ross), *BBC History Magazine* (Hicks, Lavelle), *Cercles: Revue pluridisciplinaire du monde Anglophone* (Lavelle), *Church History* (USA) (Haydon), *Clio* (Richardson), *English Historical Review* (Haydon, Hicks, Lavelle), *German Studies Review* (Lawson), *History* (Haydon, Lavelle), *History Today* (Lavelle, Yorke), *Holocaust Studies* (Lawson), *Japan Forum* (Aldous), *Journal for Eighteenth-Century Studies* (Haydon), *Journal of Contemporary History*, *Journal of Modern History* (Chernyshova), *Journal of Ecclesiastical History*, *Journal of Parliamentary History* (Lawson), *Journal of Modern Italian Studies* (Perra), *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies* (Lawson), *Journal of Religious History* (Australia) (Haydon), *Literature and History* (Hicks, Lawson, Richardson), *The Library* (Holford), *Local Population Studies*, *Medieval Archaeology*, *Medieval Review* (online) (Lavelle), *Midland History*, *Northern History*, *Parergon*, *Reviews in History*, *Speculum* (Hicks), *Parliamentary History*, *Recusant History* (Haydon), *Reviews in History*, *Medieval Feminist Forum*, *Medieval Prosopography* (Woodacre), *The Ricardian* (Hicks, Ross), *Shofar* (Lawson), *Southern History* (Haydon, Hicks, Holford, James, Morrin, Richardson, Ross).

6.12 Apart from Wessex and other day conferences organised by societies of which they are officers, staff organised conferences for the European Science Foundation on 'Early Modern Veterinary Beliefs and Practice in Europe c.1500-1811' (Curth), Association of Local History Tutors (Haydon), *God and War* and *Frank Binder – Sown with Corn* (2011, Lawson), the Inquisitions Post Mortem (2010), the Fifteenth-Century Conference (2012) and two Rye Conferences, on Travel and Transport, and on 'Religious Realities' (2010 and 2012) (Hicks), and Royal Studies (2011 and 2012: Woodacre). Yorke co-organised Power and Place in Later Roman and Early Medieval Europe with University College, London.

6.13 All staff attend and speak at academic conferences in the UK. Keynote addresses were delivered at Helsinki (2013, Curth), Harlaxton, Lleida and Corsham (Hicks, 2011-12). Papers were

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delivered overseas by Aldous at Leiden (2011), Chernyshova at Bielefeld's University's Osteuropäischen Geschichte Colloquium, the Annual Convention of the Association for Slavic, East European and Eurasian Studies (2010) and at Konstanz (2013); by Curth at Berlin (2009), Turkey (2010) and Utrecht (2012); by Haydon to American Society of Church History Winter Conference, San Diego; by Hicks at Pécs University; by Lavelle at Université du Littoral Côte d'Opale (at Boulogne) and Université Paris Diderot (Paris 7) (2012); by Lawson at Deakin University, Goethe University Frankfurt, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Universities of Monash, Sydney and Tasmania (2008-12); by Morrin at Rennes 2 and by Sandall at Oslo (2010) and Istanbul (2011).

6.14 Staff have edited two proceedings of conferences hosted at Winchester: *Fifteenth Century Inquisitions post Mortem* (Boydell, Hicks); *God and War* (Ashgate, Lawson). Further conferences are planned on *Mapping the Medieval Countryside* (Hicks) and *The Future of Holocaust Studies* (Perra).