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Recording Life Histories: Oral History at UWE Bristol

A short course which will equip you with
all the techniques and skills needed to
record own family history or local history



Bristol at the Time of John Cabot, c1370-1530

This course will give you an insight in
medieval Bristol and what it was like to
live in the era of John Cabot.



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Bristol at the Time of John Cabot, c1370-1530

Later Medieval Bristol was the second or third wealthiest and most populous urban community in England. This was the time of its first ‘Golden Age’, symbolised by Cabot’s voyage across the Atlantic in 1497. This short course explores the town from which he sailed. It will be delivered in two linked blocks, each consisting of an all-day field trip in Bristol supported by a prior evening lecture.

The first session introduces the everyday realities of life in a late medieval town. The field trip will explore the surprisingly well-preserved physical evidence for daily life in medieval Bristol by a walking tour of the modern city centre.

The second session introduces the political, cultural and religious landscape: how was power and authority deployed, displayed and resisted? How did people express their religious impulses? The following field trip will enable us to visit some of the sites associated with these issues.

Each session is free-standing and may be taken on its own, but for a more complete picture the two should be taken together.

Full Course **£96.00**, each individual session **£48.00**

Session One

Lecture - Monday 19 October 2009, 18:00 - 20:00
Field trip - Saturday 24 October 2009, 13:00 - 17:00

Session Two

Lecture - Monday 2 November 2009, 18:00 - 20:00
Field trip - Saturday 7 November 2009, 13:00 - 17:00

For further information on Cabot’s Bristol contact **Peter Fleming**

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Recording Life Histories: Oral History

Are you interested in tracing your ancestors or researching the history of your local area? This course will give you the knowledge, practical skills and confidence to undertake your own small-scale oral history project. This could include researching your family tree or investigating your village’s past through first hand testimonies!

Topics covered include planning your project, contacting interviewees, constructing an interview guide, recording interviews, good interview practice, transcribing and editing recordings, cataloguing and storing oral history data, and making oral history available to a wider audience in different formats.

The course will be taught through two linked workshops held on Saturdays.

Full Course **£96.00**

Workshop One

Saturday 26 September 2009, 10:00 - 16:00

Workshop Two

Saturday 10 October 2009, 10:00 - 16:00

For further information on Oral History contact **Kath Holden**

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Application Form: History Short Course 2009

Course applying for:	(please tick the appropriate box)		
Recording Life Histories: Oral History		£96:00	
Bristol at the time of John Cabot 1370-1530	Both Sessions	£96:00	
	Only Session 1	£48.00	
	Only Session 2	£48.00	

Name
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Are you registered disabled?	Yes		No	
If yes, please let us have details of any special arrangements required				

Course Fee: Please make cheques for applicable payable to UWE, Bristol (non returnable after the start date).	
I wish to apply for admission to the short course as indicated above.	
Signature:	Date:
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