Editorial

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*History Initiates* launched for the first time last year to showcase our students’ finest work at all levels – from first year undergraduate students to MA students. The journal will be published again in the second half of 2014.

Many students, throughout their university study, write outstanding essays. They are rewarded for this with good marks and the acknowledgment of lecturers and tutors. We felt, however, given the amount of time invested and the quality of essays produced, that some of this work should be made available to a wider readership.

In addition to recognising fine research and writing, *History Initiates* also provides other students with examples of well-produced essays. We have not edited these essays in any major way – they appear largely as originally submitted – so they give a clear indication of the type of work that can be produced at undergraduate and Masters levels.

We hope you enjoy this second edition of *History Initiates*. 