



Old Handwriting for Family Historians

Course Book List

Students often ask us for suggested additional reading for our courses. For most of our courses any additional reading is up to you. For our Intermediate and Advanced Certificates courses, students generally attain higher marks when demonstrating evidence of additional reading and there are some compulsory texts for our Advanced Certificate courses.

The set book for this course is Alf Ison 's *A Secretary Hand ABC Book*.

Set text (compulsory reading):

- Alf Ison, *A Secretary Hand ABC Book*, Berkshire Family History Society, 1982 (plus later reprints)

Here is some optional further reading for this course, in the form of books that you may want to source before your course starts. There may be additional reading material referenced in the course notes.

- Hilary Marshall. *Palaeography for Family and Local Historians*, Phillimore, 2010
- Mark Forrest. *Reading Early Handwriting 1500 – 1700*, British Association for Local History, 2019