

POLITICS A-LEVEL

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Government and Politics will appeal to students who have a genuine interest in current affairs, combined with an ability to analyse and evaluate questions logically, using relevant supporting evidence.

Students will examine the following major topics during the course:

- Main features of the UK democratic system – elections, referendums, political parties, pressure groups, Parliament, prime minister, cabinet, judiciary
- A study of voting behaviour and the role of the media in the political process
- Ideas and policies associated with ideologies of conservatism, socialism and liberalism
- Impact of the development of the European Union
- A choice of content routes at A-level, involving a study of US Government and Politics or Global Politics.

WHAT NEXT?

Whilst the course provides an excellent preparation for the study of subjects such as politics, international relations, law, economics and business at university, it also offers a strong academic grounding for those wishing to pursue many other subject areas at degree level.

Alternatively, the course equips students with a very good educational experience if they want direct entry into employment or further training.

ASSESSMENT

Exam 100%

DURATION

2 years

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Standard entry requirements to include grade 5 in GCSE English and grade 4 in Maths.

EXAM BOARD

Edexcel

COSTS

£50 per year for textbooks plus optional field trips