



No Additional Requirements

Politics

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“The worst illiterate is the political illiterate, he doesn’t hear, doesn’t speak, nor participates in the political events. He doesn’t know the cost of life, the price of the bean, of the fish, of the flour, of the rent, of the shoes and of the medicine, all depends on political decisions. The political illiterate is so stupid that he is proud and swells his chest saying that he hates politics.”
— Bertolt Brecht

Course description

A Level Politics is an attractive, academic, and employable qualification. It is highly regarded by universities, including Russell Group, as well as employers of all types. Besides being employable, this course will broaden and deepen your understanding of arguably what makes the world function and malfunction.

Studying A Level politics will develop your knowledge and understanding of

- how decisions are made in Britain; the ever-evolving political environment of the UK;
- British and global political structures and their historical contexts;
- political ideas and ideologies and their interrelationships;
- various political institutions and processes both national and global; various political actors and groups in affecting change; and much more.

You will craft your ability in essay writing, critical thinking, analysis, evaluation, and judgement making. You will ultimately develop an understanding of the local, national, international, and global dimensions of politics.

Examination Board
Edexcel

Assessment
Written examinations

What you will study?
In the first year you will study:

- UK Politics
- UK Government

In the second year, you will study:

- Political Ideologies
- Global Politics

Future Pathways

Politics is a great subject for students who want a career in law, journalism, PR, academia, civil service, the caring professions, teaching, business and much more.

Extra-curricular opportunities

Conferences and key speakers are invited to discuss their specialism and research, relevant to areas that are studied in the 2-year course. Visiting MPs and councilors. Trips to parliament, museums, courts and much more.