



SOCIOLOGY



Do you ever wonder why social issues such as crime, poverty and prejudice exist? It's difficult to understand why the human race hasn't managed to eradicate these issues after all this time. During your A Level Sociology course you will study the development of modern day human society. It explores our identities, and the cultural issues that affect us all.

Key Course Information

Assessment

Linear Exams

For A-Level Sociology, students are expected to demonstrate an understanding of theories and research methods which they apply to a range of contemporary issues.

The syllabus is designed to cover topics such as education and crime to which A-Level students can engage with through their experiences, exposure on the news and recent studies.

A-Level Sociology is a linear subject, assessed at the end of two years of study.

The 3 written exam papers comprise a range of short and extended questions. These include applying case study knowledge and key theoretical perspectives.

Subject Combinations

Connected subjects

Sociology is the study of society - how people interact in groups. A level Sociology examines social behaviour from a variety of perspectives.

Sociology goes naturally with any humanities course, such as Government and Politics, History, Psychology and has an overlap with the Criminology course. It also works well alongside both English courses due to the need for a strong writing ability.

Sociology is a Social Science and therefore combines well with both Science and Arts based subjects. For example, students have combined Maths, Chemistry and Sociology or English, History and Politics, along with various other permutations.

Progression

Where can History take me?

Studying sociology will give you desirable skills that can be transferred to lots of different fields.

Sociology is a great starting point to go on and study a social science degree at university, like Psychology, philosophy, criminology, and sociology, of course.

Sociology is highly recommended for students considering careers in teaching, social research, criminal justice / probation service, social work, a range of health and social care professions (e.g. nursing, midwifery) the Police and human resources / personnel.

For more information, contact the Humanities team.

