

A Level Politics

Subject Information Sheet

Course Title:	Government and Politics
Subject:	Government and Politics
Qualification:	A-Level
Exam Board:	Edexcel
General Course Description	<p>Politics examines the role politics plays in relation to current local, national, and global issues, as well as studying key thinkers and political ideas. The course also makes comparison between the British and US political systems and helps students develop a deeper understanding of the UK and the wider world.</p> <p>Politics can be taken alongside History, Sociology, Economics and English A Level and students find that these subjects complement each other well.</p>
Course Content and Teaching Units	<p>The course is divided in to three teaching units:</p> <p>Component 1: UK Politics and Core Political Ideas (Liberalism, Socialism, Conservatism.)</p> <p>Component 2: UK Government and Optional Political Ideas (Anarchism.)</p> <p>Component 3: Comparative Politics: Government and Politics of the USA</p>
Entry Requirements	Grade 5 or above in English. A grade 5 or above in a Humanities is essential.
Assessment	<p>The course is assessed by 3 linear examinations at the end of Y13:</p> <p>1: UK Politics and Core Political Ideas (Liberalism, Socialism, Conservatism.) 2 hours</p>

	<p>2: UK Government and Optional Political Ideas (Anarchism.) 2 hours</p> <p>3: Comparative Politics: Government and Politics of the USA hours</p>
Financial Information	Possible trip to Westminster.
Progression Opportunities	<p>Students can progress from this qualification to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● university courses that relate directly to government and politics ● university courses that will benefit from the skills acquired from this GCE, for example law, economics, philosophy ● employment where analytical skills are essential, for example management, finance, government, industry and business environments.
Further Information about our courses including results	Politics A level students will leave sixth form with a knowledge of a range of issues which will help them understand and excel at a variety of degree courses and careers
Trips, visits and extra-curricular	<p>A visit to London to see parliament and other important aspects of the governance of the UK.</p> <p>In school student led debate club.</p>