



POLITICS

Details of course:

From September 2017 Politics will become a linear A Level.

AS:

At AS students will learn about the government and politics of the UK. Students will study two modules

AS Module 1: People, Politics and Participation

AS Module 2: Governing Modern Britain

These two modules are examined in one paper comprising short answer questions, source-based questions and essay style questions.

A2:

At A2 students study the government and politics of the USA and are expected to be able to draw synoptic links to the government and politics of the UK. Alongside this they will study a range of political ideologies.

A2 Module 1: Political Ideologies

A2 Module 2: The Government and Politics of the USA and comparative politics

At the end of Yr 13 students will be examined on the above modules as well as the topics they studied at AS. Students will take three exams, each 2 hours in length. The exams will contain short answer questions, source-based questions and essay style questions.

Paper 1: The Government and Politics of the UK

Paper 2: The Government and Politics of the USA and comparative politics

Paper 3: Political Ideologies

Qualities and Commitment Expected From the Student:

Interest in the political world, media and current affairs. Students will be expected to do independent research on key issues in the news, prepare presentations and participate in debates.

The Future:

Politics is an academic subject of value to employers and higher education institutions, complementing History, Sociology and Economics A Levels in particular. The skills learned during the course are excellent preparation for future careers in journalism, law, media and the world of politics itself.