A Level Sociology

Course details

Sociology is the study of human social relationships and institutions. Sociology's subject matter is diverse, ranging from crime to religion, from the family to the state, from the divisions of race and social class to the shared beliefs of a common culture, and from social stability to radical change in whole societies.

Unifying the study of these diverse subjects of study is sociology's purpose of understanding how human action and consciousness both shape and are shaped by surrounding cultural and social structures. Studying sociology will give you valuable insight into the society in which we live.

The course will study the following:

Students must study the following two core themes:

- socialisation, culture and identity
- social differentiation, power and stratification.

The themes should be understood and applied to the course content.

Assessment: Sociology follows the AQA specification.

Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods (2 hours)

- Education: short answer and extended writing, 50 marks
- Methods in Context: extended writing, 20 marks
- Theory and Methods: extended writing, 10 marks

Paper 2: Families and households and beliefs in society (2 Hours)

- Section A: extended writing, 40 marks
- Section B: extended writing, 40 marks

Paper 3: Crime and Deviance and Theory and Methods (2 hours)

- Crime and Deviance: short answer and extended writing, 50 mark
- Theory and Methods: extended writing, 30 marks

