

Politics



What is going on?

In Politics, we will attempt to understand how political structures and systems operate, how politicians are elected and what they promise, and how the UK political system compares to the systems in the US.

A-Level Politics is the fastest-growing A-Level in the country. Politics permeates every aspect of life at the moment, and coupled with a growing feeling that things are getting worse, students are looking for answers. Politics seeks to give those answers. Students gain an understanding of the issues of the day and learn critical thinking skills that are useful in all subjects as well as in the wider world.

Additionally, studying A-Level Politics offers the opportunity to visit Washington DC in the second year of the course.

Modules Studied: **UK Politics**

What do our parties believe in? How do we elect representatives? Is the UK a functional democracy?

UK Government

What is the UK Constitution? How does the Supreme Court protect us? What does the Prime Minister do? Why isn't Parliament functioning properly?

Political Ideologies

This involves an in-depth case study examination of the ideologies of Liberalism, Socialism, Conservatism and Nationalism.

US Government & Politics

How does the US differ from the UK? How could they elect that guy?

Exam Board: Edexcel

Entry Requirements: Grade '5' in English and a Humanities Subject

Assessment: Three two-hour exams at the end of the second year

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