



Government and Politics

Level 3: AS / A2

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PROGRAMME AIM: In this course the students are given the opportunity to develop knowledge, skills and understanding of the politics of the United Kingdom including its local, national and European Union dimension and compared to some aspects of other political systems. This course would suit those who have an interest in current affairs and enjoy following local and national political events in the media. A and A2 Level students develop their understanding of political ideologies, researching key themes including; Socialism, Anarchism, Conservatism, Multiculturalism and many more.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS / SUITABILITY: 5 GCSE Grades A* to C. At least a Grade B in English Language or History.

This course suits students who have enquiring minds and would like to explore the way the governments function and the way the constitution and laws are processed. It enables students to think outside the box and begin to question their own ideological view points.

CONTENT:

AS Level

Unit 1- People and Politics.

Unit 2 - Governing the UK

A2 Level

Themes in Political Analysis

Unit 3 - Introducing political ideologies; Conservatism, Socialism, Liberalism, Anarchism.

Unit 4 - Other ideological traditions; Nationalism, Feminism, Ecologism, Multiculturalism.

LEADS TO:

The course supports progression from Level 2 studies and acts as a bridge to further study at college or university thereby contributing to lifelong learning.

It is a qualification that supports further study in humanities subjects such as history and law.

ASSESSED / EXAMINED:

Unit 1: People and Politics 50% AS Exam 1 hour 20 mins

Unit 2: Governing the UK 50% AS Exam 1 hour 20 mins

Assessment A2

Unit 3c: Introducing political ideologies 50% A2 Exam 1 hour 30 mins

Unit 4c: Other ideological traditions 50% A2 Exam 1 hour 30 mins