

Sociology

Overview

What is Sociology?

Exam Board AQA A Level

Sociology is the study of society, people and behaviour. Sociology is an evidence-based research-

led social science which covers a wide range of topics and theories.

The course aims to develop students' understanding of human behaviour and the workings of society. The A level specification includes topics such as education, , families, households, the media and crime and deviance.

Specification 7192

Assessment

A Level – two year course Paper 1 - Education and Theory Methods 2 hour written exam Students will study Education, Methods in context, and 80 marks 33.3% of the A level Theories and Methods. Paper 2 - Topics in Sociology 2 hour written exam Option one: Students will study Families and Households. 80 marks Option two: Students will study The Media 33.3% of A level Paper 3 -2 hour written exam Students will study Crime and Deviance plus Theory and 80 marks Methods. 33.3% of A level Sociology compliments other A levels such as Psychology, History, English and Politics.

Subject Specific Entry Requirements

A GCSE grade 5 in English and another essay-based subject such as History or RS is preferred and will be beneficial. The student should possess an enquiring mind and have an interest and enthusiasm for understanding people and society.

"This subject is thought-provoking, engaging and compliments my other subjects."

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Progression and Career Opportunities

Sociology helps students to apply research methods and engages students in theoretical debates.

After studying this course, students will be able to demonstrate research skills, understanding of data, research methods and the ability to apply their knowledge of the topics studied. Students are taught critical thinking, application of knowledge and evaluation skills.

Sociology leads to many areas of employment including health and social care, management, journalism, education, social policy, politics and management.