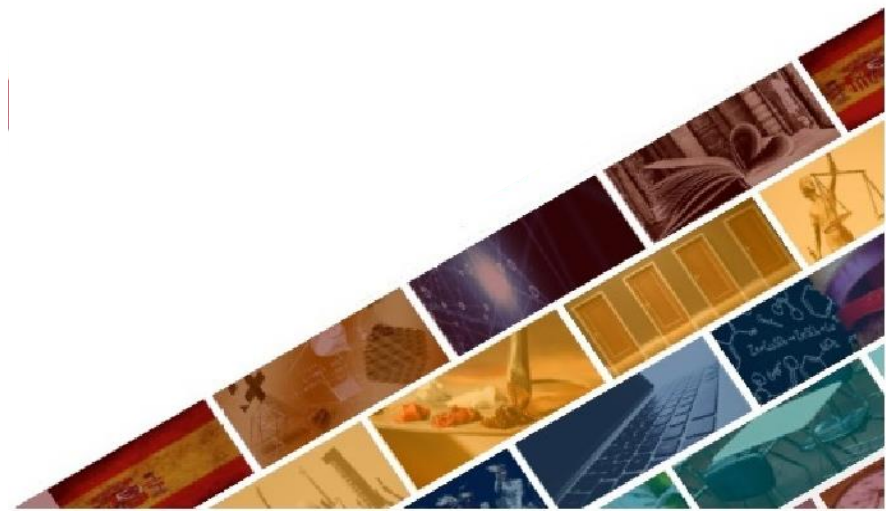


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Sixth Form Subject Information

Sociology

A-Level



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Sociology A-Level

Subject Information

Exam Board: OCR

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Sociology is a social science that examines societies and human behaviour and relationships. You are encouraged to reflect upon the world we live in, fostering an understanding of the inter-relationships between individuals, groups, institutions and societies. Topics include ethnicity, social class, gender, poverty and crime, and the impact these have on individuals and groups of people. You will develop critical thinking and appreciate theoretical and conceptual issues.



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Subject Information

You will sit three external examinations all taken at the end of the course.

The first exam is assessing your knowledge of socialisation, culture and identity and is worth 30% of the final grade. It is based on themes developed through the context of families and relationships.

The second exam is assessing your knowledge of researching and understanding social inequalities and is worth 35% of the final grade. It is based on methods used to conduct research and inequalities in areas such as gender, ethnicity, social class and age.

The third exam is assessing your knowledge of debates in contemporary society and is worth 35% of the final grade. It is based on globalisation and the digital social world through a detailed study of crime and deviance.



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Sociology A-Level

Entry requirements

Pathway 2 entry requirements: 5 GCSEs at Grade 5 and above

Subject entry requirements: As above including Grade 5 or above in English



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Career Progression

Studying Sociology A-Level opens up career pathways in areas such as teaching, social work, the police force, nursing, retail, human resources, probation services and politics.



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University Progression

Singer James Blunt, best known for his 2005 single “You’re Beautiful” graduated with a BSc in sociology from the University of Bristol before serving in the army and then embarking on his pop career. He once said that his degree in sociology helped him to write music, with his songs often focusing on the way humans interact with each other.

Sociology is offered at university with a range of other subjects such as business, English, history and law. Other suitable degrees include economics, social policy, social work, politics, human geography and childhood studies.



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