

A Level Sociology



Studying sociology offers insights into social and cultural issues. It helps you develop a multi-perspective and critical approach to understanding issues around culture, identity, religion, crime, families, education, media and social power. More than once during the course you're bound to ask yourself the question, "why has society developed like this? With poverty, ignorance, crime and injustice."

Subject specific entry requirements

In addition to the standard entry requirements, the following subject entry criteria should be met:

- 5 in GCSE Sociology if taken; 5 in GCSE English
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Exam Board

AQA

Assessment

The course is assessed by three examinations completed at the end of the course of study:

A Level – two-year course		
Component 1	Education and methods in context: You'll consider the role of education in society. For example, by examining differences in achievement by gender and ethnicity. You will also learn how to apply your own sociological research methods to the study of education.	3 x 2 hour written Exams. Each worth 80 marks. Each paper is 33.3% of A level.
Component 2	Families and Households: You will explore the role of the family in society as well as changing social norms, including family diversity. The media: You will examine the influence of the media on our everyday lives by evaluating the rise in new media technology alongside more traditional forms of media like newspapers.	
Component 3	Crime and deviance with theory and methods: You'll learn about criminal and deviant behaviour, including the factors that might lead a person to follow this path in life. You will also investigate how crime is recorded and researched.	

This course will lead to:

Most university courses, including Sociology, Psychology, English, Business, Law, Teaching, Journalism. Sociology is a great choice for people interested in a career in social work, nursing, marketing, advertising, journalism law and teaching.