

What is the course structure?

We will be following the AQA Sociology syllabus (7192), over a two-year period.

Modules:

Paper 1: Education with Theory and Methods:

For this paper, we get to explore the Education system. We examine what role the education system plays in our ever-changing society. We look at how Education has changed over time as well as delving into why some social groups achieve in education and others not. We will also look at the impact the government has made to our education system.

In addition to we also look at theory and methods. This involves studying key theories in Sociology and understanding how they see society, whilst also studying a range of exciting research methods.

Paper 2: Topics in Sociology:

For this paper, we still study two topics: Families & Households as well as Beliefs in Society.

Within Families & Households, we look at the most common family type in the UK, reasons for the changes in the patterns of marriage and divorce. We also examine childhood and discuss how it has changed from historical view, how childhood is seen from a cultural viewpoint as well as the idea that we have become more child centred society.

In Beliefs in society, we look at which social groups are more likely to hold religious beliefs in an ever-increasing secular society, as well as look at alternative beliefs such as cults and sects.

Paper 3 Crime & iPa s

Which activities will I be engaged in during the course?

- Debate and discussion
- Research
- Analysing and evaluating theories and research studies
- Interviewing
- Visits/conferences

The aims of the course are to encourage you to develop a broad knowledge and a critical understanding of contemporary and changing world that surrounds you. A Level Sociology will nurture your inquiring mind and give you the opportunity to debate with like-minded people about the issues that impact our daily lives. You will have the opportunity to understand and evaluate sociological methodology through having an active involvement in the sociological research process. These skills are imperative as you progress onto university.