

Government & Politics



Introduction

Government and Politics is offered at AS and A Level. It combines well with disciplines such as History, Economics and Religious Studies at A Level, as well as standing as a worthwhile subject in its own right.

The AS Level course is a study of British politics which examines key features such as the role of the Prime Minister, the role of Parliament, political parties and pressure groups. At A2 Level, students study the American political system which examines key features of the system, such as the American Constitution, the Presidency, the Supreme Court and race. Students are expected to keep up-to-date with the latest developments in British and American politics.

Benefits

Studying Government and Politics helps individuals understand decision-making processes which affect their day-to-day lives. It fosters more active citizenship and a better appreciation of the importance of democracy and individual freedom. The subject trains students to take a more critical approach to the media and to other sources of information, and to develop the kind of intellectual rigour that is needed for success in higher education and in the professions.

