The Pingle Academy

KS5 Curriculum

Politics

A Level/AQA

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Entry requirements: Overall plus Grade 4 in English.

The most important requirement is an interest in how the country and the world are run and willingness to contribute ideas to discussions on political topics.

What will I learn on this course?

Politics is an interactive course taught through discussion, debate and a variety of media, as well as visits to Parliament and contact with a range of experts and politicians. We consider wide ranging themes of British, European, American and global politics.

How will I be assessed?

Paper 1	Government & Politics of the UK	2hrs (33%)
Paper 2	Government & Politics of the USA, Comparative Politics	2hrs (33%)
Paper 3	Political Ideas/Ideologies	2hrs (33%)

Why choose Politics?

This subject combines well with any other that involves looking at information and forming your own argument from it, particularly those from within Social Studies. Good examples of subjects that work well alongside Politics are Sociology, Business and Law.

This subject is very well respected by universities as it demonstrates a candidate's ability to work with a rich variety of sources in an ever changing area. A qualification in Politics is a good way to showcase skills in debate and illustrates the ability to have a global perspective on issues.

This course could lead to careers in journalism, public and uniformed services, law, the civil service, media, teaching and many more exciting areas. Politics shows you can analyse and interpret 'the real world' and utilises many transferable skills that universities and employers look for.

