SOCIOLOGY A LEVEL

Course Content

Year 1 outline:

Candidates will acquire knowledge of contemporary social processes and social change. Candidates will be encouraged to develop their own sociological awareness through active engagement with the contemporary social world

Teaching and Learning

During this course students will take three examinations based on the above units. They will acquire a range of skills including:

- Essay Writing
- Data Response Techniques
- Presentational Skills
- Peer Assessment
- Discussion Techniques

Teaching will be classroom based which will involve the use of DVD's and student's ideas

Assessment

A Level specification has three units:

Paper 1: Socialisation, Culture and Identity, Sociology of Youth

A Level course has three examinations:

At A Level, candidates will continue to focus on contemporary society but they should demonstrate a wider range and greater depth of knowledge and understanding and more highly developed skills of:

- Application
- Analysis
- Interpretation
- Evaluation

Paper 2: Researching and understanding Social Inequalities

Paper 3: Globalisation and the digital social world, Sociology of Crime and Deviance

Progression

Sociology is an established and popular A Level. Students have used this A Level as a foundation for further study of Sociology or related subject in higher education

In addition it is a worthwhile course for students intending to pursue other careers in contemporary society, as an understanding of sociological issues it is a necessary part of general education

Students who have studied Sociology at St Hilda's have gone on to enjoy a variety of careers including: Teaching, Social Work, Police Force, Industry, Civil Service, Health, Law

Entry Requirements

Grade 4 or above in GCSE English, grade C in GCSE Sociology (if taken)

Examination Board

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Further Details

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