

# OPTION BLOCKS 2025-26

| A                                  | B                           | C                      | D                                |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Biology                            | Chemistry                   | Physics                | Criminology Applied Diploma      |
| Computing: Application Development | Business A Level            | Music A Level          | Maths                            |
| Sociology                          | Design and Technology       | Psychology             | Drama and Theatre Studies        |
| BTEC Applied Science               | Criminology Applied Diploma | BTEC Health and Social | Psychology                       |
| Further Maths                      | Business BTEC               | BTEC Music             | BTEC Sport                       |
| English Literature                 | History                     | Geography              | English Language                 |
| Art                                | Media Studies               | French                 | Philosophy and Religious Studies |
| German                             |                             |                        |                                  |

## THE ST HILDA'S EXPERIENCE



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Subjects are placed on fixed option blocks. We cannot change these option blocks. We do our best to ensure that all advertised courses run. On rare occasions, it may be necessary to withdraw a course. We will let you know as soon as possible if this happens.



# WHAT SUBJECTS SHOULD I STUDY AT COLLEGE?

The subjects you choose at college are important for what you want to do in the future, so a crucial piece of advice is to research university courses and degree apprenticeship courses to see what the entry requirements are. If you want to go into employment or an apprenticeship, there are also lots of websites you can access.

## The best advice is:

- Think carefully about the subjects you have a passion for
- Think carefully about the subjects you enjoy and are good at
- Don't do a subject just because you like the teacher or because your friends are doing it
- Don't be afraid either to try something new
- Don't do a subject that you find hard to do because college courses will be even more difficult
- Remember there is no such thing as an easy course. All subjects require commitment and take up a lot of time for independent study. All students must work extremely hard to be successful
- For some students, it really helps if they study subjects which complement one another because the skills are transferable
- Think carefully about the combination of subjects and choose the pathway that best suits you. It might be better for you to do BTECs or to consider the mixed pathway which is a mixture of both A Levels and BTECs
- Remember that some university courses and careers require certain subject combinations so do your research if you have a degree or career in mind
- Be aware that some university courses require you to have multiple science subjects or a specific subject combination. Taking a single science subject might not get you on the course you want so you must research this carefully. Some universities do accept Psychology and Geography as science subjects, but you must research the entry requirements of the course you want to do
- If you don't know what you want to do in the future, you might decide to take subjects that keep your options open. Please remember however, that you still should take subjects that are most suited to your skill set

## Helpful websites

<https://www.ucas.com/>

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

<https://www.careerpivot.org.uk/information/a-levels/choosing-your-a-levels-what-you-need-to-consider>

<https://www.informedchoices.ac.uk/start>

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