

# A Level Biology

Exam board & Specification Number	AQA
Qualification Accreditation Number (QAN)	60146254
Link to Course Details Webpage	<a href="#">click here</a>
Duration, Delivery and Study Mode	Two Years                      Full Time                      Day Time Study
Start Date (not flexible) and Campus	01 September from Stanley Avenue Campus

## Course Details: Who is this Course for?

This course is for students progressing from GCSE into Level 3 (A Level or Equivalent) studies, with a view to study this subject or related subjects at degree level.

## Course Details: What Will You Learn?

Year 1	<p><b>Biological Molecules:</b> Monomers and polymers, Carbohydrates, Lipids, Proteins, Nucleic acids, ATP, Water and Inorganic ions</p> <p><b>Cells:</b> Cell structure, All cells arise from other cells, Transport across cell membranes, and Cell recognition and the immune system</p> <p><b>Organisms Exchange Substances with their Environment:</b> Surface area to volume ratio, Gas exchange, Digestion and absorption, and Mass transport</p> <p><b>Genetic information, Variation and Relationships between Organisms:</b> DNA, genes, chromosomes, protein synthesis, Genetic diversity, mutation, meiosis and Adaptation. Species, taxonomy, Biodiversity within a community, and Investigating diversity.</p>
Year 2	<p><b>Energy transfers in and between organisms:</b> As well as revision of Year 1 topics, you will study: Photosynthesis, Respiration, Energy and ecosystems, and Nutrient cycles.</p> <p><b>Organisms respond to changes in their internal and external environments:</b> Stimuli, both internal and external, and responses by the body, Nervous coordination, Skeletal muscles, and Homeostasis.</p> <p><b>Genetics, populations, evolution and ecosystems:</b>Inheritance, Populations, Evolution may lead to speciation, and Populations in ecosystems.</p> <p><b>The control of gene expression:</b> Alteration of the sequence of bases in DNA altering the structure of proteins Features that control gene expression, Using genome projects, and Gene technologies.</p>

## Course Details: How will you be Assessed?

These are the Unit Codes and their percentage weighting at AS Level:

Paper 1: 7402/1 [35%]	Assessed by a 2 hour internal examination in the Summer Term.
Paper 2: 7402/2 [35%]	Assessed by a 2 hour internal examination in the Summer Term
Paper 3: 7402/3 [30%]	Assessed by a 2 hour internal examination in the Summer Term

## Course Details: Entry Requirements

Please see our [webpage](#) for details of our course entry requirements.

**Students must achieve a D grade or higher at the end of Year 12 in order to progress into Year 2 of this course.**

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# Additional Course Information

## Course Details: How will you Learn?

Delivery Mode:

- Classroom based teaching
- Classroom based laboratory experiments
- Flipped Learning based independent study

## Course Details: Equipment / Materials you will need

- Kerboodle Digital Textbook: Provided to you by the school
- Scientific Calculator
- Writing Paper and Stationary including Ruler
- outdoor weather resistant clothing and equipment for Biology Field Trip Residential
- All other equipment will be provided to you by the school

## How can I prepare for and explore this course further?

- [Glossary of Technical Terminology](#)
- [Recommended Text Books](#)
- [Past Exam Papers](#)
- [Biology Related Articles](#)
- [Biology VIP Zone](#)

## Careers & Progression (Where Next)?

Career ideas and Progression route:

Level 3 qualifications in Biology will enable students to enter degree & degree level courses that involve research, science and care based professions, including Medicine, Forensics, Technology and Nursing.

[Click here for information on Careers in Biology](#)