

# A Level Politics

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| Exam board & Specification Number        | Edexcel 8PL0/9PL0  |
| Qualification Accreditation Number (QAN) | 60312233   |
| 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?

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| Year 1 | <b>Component 1 - UK Politics:</b><br>You will study: Democracy and participation, Political parties, Electoral systems, Voting behaviour and the media. You will also study core ideas and principles of Conservatism, Liberalism and Socialism, and differing views and important figures within them.<br><b>Component 2 - UK Government:</b><br>You will study: The constitution, Parliament, Prime Minister and the Executive, and Relationships between institutions. You will also study a non-core political idea of Feminism; the core ideas and principles, different types and important figures within the idea. |
| Year 2 | <b>Component 3 - Comparative Politics</b><br>You will study US Politics which includes; the US Constitution and federalism, US Congress, US Presidency, US Supreme Court and US civil rights, US democracy and participation and comparative theories. You will also have to compare US and UK politics.<br>You will also revise Component 1 and Component 2 content from Year 1.  |

## Course Details: How will you be Assessed?

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

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| Paper 1: 9PL0/01 [33.3%] | Assessed by a 2 hour internal examination in the Summer Term. |
| Paper 2: 9PL0/02 [33.3%] | Assessed by a 2 hour internal examination in the Summer Term  |
| Paper 3: 9PL0/03 [33.3%] | 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.**

# Additional Course Information

## Course Details: How will you Learn?

Delivery Mode:

- Classroom based teaching
- Flipped Learning based independent study

## Course Details: Equipment / Materials you will need

- Digital Textbook: Provided to you by the school
- Writing Paper and Stationary including Folders
- 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](#)
- [Government & Politics Related Articles](#)
- [Government & Politics VIP Zone](#)

## Careers & Progression (Where Next)?

Career ideas and Progression route:

Level 3 qualifications in Government and Politics will enable students to enter degree & degree level courses related to, international relations, government, marketing and law.

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