## OCR AS & A LEVEL LAW



Want to know about the Law in the English Legal System? Or what society hopes to achieve by sending someone to prison? Want to know the difference between criminal offences? Then studying Law gives you an insight into all of these areas through three areas of substantive Law: Criminal Law; Tort Law and Contract Law as well as Law Making and the Legal System. You have to be prepared to look at case law and decipher key information from it and make judgements. These skills are highly desirable in many different careers and A Level Law is excellent training for any career where you have to use evidence or make decisions, especially where those decisions affect other people.

### **COURSE CONTENT**

#### Year 12

Theme 1 - The Legal System and Criminal Law: Murder, Manslaughter, S.18 and S.47 OAPA, Principles of Criminal Liability, Defences, Court Systems, Judges, Juries.

Theme 2 - Law Making and Law of Tort: Legislation, European Law, Law Reform, Liability in Negligence, Occupier's Liability, Defences, Remedies.

#### Year 13

Theme 3 - Further Law and Human Rights Law: Nature of the Law, Law and Morality, Law and Justice, Law and Society, Protection of Individual Human Rights and Freedoms in the UK, Key provisions of the articles of the European Convention on Human Rights, Human Rights and English law, Enforcement of Human Rights.

## **ASSESSMENT**

**AS Level Law** (undertaken by students on 1 year course covering Y12 themes only) - x2 1 hour 30 minute papers, equally weighted, each covering content from Themes 1 & 2

**A Level Law** (undertaken by students on 2 year course covering all themes) - x3 2 hour papers. Each paper is equally weighted. All are out of 100 raw marks.

## SUBJECT COMBINATIONS

An A Level in Law combines well with a range of subjects within further education. The most common subjects to match to Law are Sociology, Applied Criminology, Business and BTEC Health and Social Care.

# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least 5 GCSEs at grade 5 and above including English & Maths.

You also need to be resilient, hard working and independent through having a responsibility for your own learning.

### **PROGRESSION**

A Level Law will develop many skills which will be useful for further study of a variety of subjects at university, including a Law degree. Other programmes of study available to A Level Law students in higher education are Business, Politics, Criminology and Sociology.

#### **FUTURES**

The legal profession has an extensive job market all of its own where you can train on the job for professional qualifications and apply your expertise to a range of areas within the sector. These include Criminal Law, Civil Law and Public Law. As well as the legal profession, A Level Law can lead to careers in Banking, Business, Civil Service, Journalism, Police and Teaching.







