

<https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/religious-studies/as-a-level/>

## Why Philosophy, Ethics & Religion?

In this subject you will have the opportunity to develop your interest in a rigorous study of philosophy, ethics, religion and belief and relate it to the wider world. You will develop an understanding and appreciation of religious thought and its contribution to individuals, communities and societies. You will adopt an enquiring, critical and reflective approach to the study of religion, reflect on and develop their own values, opinions and attitudes in the light of their study. You will develop your knowledge and understanding appropriate to a specialist study of religion. A level Religious Studies is designed to enable you to develop your interest in, and enthusiasm for, a study of religion and its place in the wider world.

## Assessment

No Coursework

Examinations at end of Year 13 (Essay and Structured Questions)

33.3% - A Study of Religion

33.3% - Philosophy of Religion

33.3% - Religion and Ethics

## Recommended Reading

The Puzzle of Ethics and The Puzzle of God by Peter Vardy

The Gospel of John

Sophie's World by Jostein Gaarder

The God delusion by Richard Dawkins

The Dawkins Delusion by Alistar McGrath

Dialogue magazines available in the LRC

<http://rsrevision.com/Alevel/ethics/index.htm>

<https://thecrashcourse.com/courses/philosophy>

<https://philosophydungeon.weebly.com>

<https://resources.eduqas.co.uk/Pages/ResourceSingle.aspx?rId=1248>

## Recommended Entry Requirements

Grade 5 GCSE RE

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Other humanities grades will be considered if RE has not been studied at GCSE

## Future Pathways

The world is your oyster! Remember that this is the founding subject upon which Oxbridge is built and it is therefore highly regarded at university level. Previous A level Philosophy and Ethics students have gone on to study a range of subjects at degree level including Business, Maths, Psychology and Politics.

## Complementary A Levels

History, Politics, Biology, Psychology, Sociology, English Literature though previous students have also studied Performing Arts, Physics, Business and Maths. There is no 'typical' combination of subjects.

## Extra & Super Curricular

The department support the KS5 Society, Debating Matters and you are encouraged to take a lead role in this and in promoting and facilitating debating in the lower school.

You will have the opportunity to attend educational conferences organised by national providers with some amazing key note speakers who are well regarded in their field. There is also the opportunity to join the Humanities department on their cultural visits: 2019 was Berlin, 2020 will be Rome, 2021 to be decided!

*“It is great to be able to engage with the topics critically rather than to a superficial level.”*