

French

OVERVIEW

To gain entry onto the French A level course students will need to attain a grade 6 in GCSE French.

PROGRESSION ROUTES

Students who have studied A level French with us have gone on to a range of next steps, including teaching and working abroad.

As a facilitating subject the range of degree courses available with French is extremely wide.

This specification will help to prepare students for higher education and enhance their employability profile.

A LEVEL (AQA)

At A level, in French, students study technological and social change, looking at diversity and the benefits it brings.

They will study highlights of French-speaking artistic culture, including francophone music and cinema, and learn about political engagement and who wields political power in the French-speaking world.

Students also explore the influence of the past on present-day French-speaking communities.

Throughout their studies, they will learn the language in the context of French-speaking countries and the issues and influences which have shaped them. Students will study texts and film and have the opportunity to carry out independent research on an area of their own personal choice.

INTERNAL ASSESSMENT

Students will be assessed throughout the course, via half termly assessments, as well as the formal calendared mock examinations for the whole sixth form.

EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT

At the end of the course there will be three examinations.

Paper 1 – Listening, Reading & Writing (2 hours 30 minutes)

Paper 2 – Writing (text & film) (2 hours)

Paper 3 – Speaking (21-23 minutes)

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<http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-and-a-level/french-7652>