

The study of Law allows you to develop skills in critical thinking, the ability to analyse, and the foundation on which to make sound judgements. Law will appeal to those students who:

Are generally interested in the law

Enjoy discussing current legal issues

Have an inquiring mind and wish to develop reasoning skills.

We will study the AQA A Level Law specification

There are three units, each assessed by a two hour paper. All papers carry equal weight.

The three units are set out as follows:

Units of Study

Unit 1 - The Legal System and Criminal Law

This component introduces learners to the legal system. It also introduces learners to the concept of liability through an introduction to criminal law. This component is split into two sections, Section A: the legal system and Section B: criminal law.

Unit 2 - Law Making and the Law of Torl

This component introduces learners to the law making. It also introduces learners to the concept of liability through an introduction to the law of tort. This component is split into two sections, Section A: law making and Section B: the law of tort.

Unit 3 - Further Law

This component will enable learners to extend their study of law. They will explore and consider in more detail the nature of law and develop their legal knowledge through the study of one option, either human rights law or the law of contract. This component is split into two sections, Section A: the nature of law and Section B: human rights law or the law of contract. We will study Human Rights for this paper.

Exam information

Each of the papers also contains questions on Law making and the Legal System. Each paper is 2 hours long and will be taken at two years of study. Each of the three exams are assessed using a combination of multiple choice, short written answers and extended essays.

Entry Requirements

GCSE English at Level 6 or above. You do not need to have studied Law at GCSE.

What will this course prepare me for?

Many students study Law because they intend to become a solicitor or barrister or go into the police force. Other students study Law for interest. Whatever the reason for studying Law, students not only learn about the procedures of the legal system and laws, they also acquire excellent analytical and reasoning skills. Such skills are very attractive to future employers and as such Law graduates can expect to fair well in the employment market.