



# GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

Politics is a well-respected subject across the business and academic world. The skills developed throughout the course will prove invaluable throughout your life. Government and Politics teaches you to think critically, formulate coherent arguments, develop your own opinions and understand the way in which our world is governed. Government and Politics compliments a variety of subjects across the curriculum such as English, History, Social Sciences, Geography and Law. An A-level in Government and Politics is a desirable component of any successful university application.

## COURSE DETAILS:

- British
- Participation and Voting Behaviour
- Electoral Systems
- Political Parties
- Pressure Groups and Protest Movements
- The British Constitution
- Parliament
- The Core Executive
- Multi-level Governance

*'I must study politics and war so that my sons might have liberty to study mathematics and philosophy.'*

- John Adams

## American

- The Electoral Process and Direct Democracy
- Political Parties
- Voting Behaviour
- Pressure Groups

## Ideology

- Socialism
- Conservatism
- Liberalism
- Other ideologies, such as Nationalism and Anarchism

**EXAM BOARD:**  
AQA

## ASSESSMENT:

PAPER 1 – THE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF THE UK (33%)

PAPER 2 – THE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF THE USA & COMPARATIVE POLITIC (33%)

PAPER 3 – POLITICAL IDEAS (33%)



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## OTHER LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

- Supporting KS3/4 students in History lessons
- KS5 Trip to Parliament and interview with local MP
- KS5 Joint trip with History to America and English Historical sites
- Debating society

## WHERE NEXT WITH THIS COURSE?

A-level Politics is a desirable qualification for a number of university courses and professions. The skills developed and enhanced throughout the subject result in job opportunities from a variety of areas both in the public sector and the world of academia. Key opportunities include Journalism, Law, Finance, Marketing, Business, Politics, PR, and Medicine and of course any career directly related to Politics.

Employers and universities alike find Government and Politics A-level develops students as highly developed problem solvers and critical thinkers and value these skills above all.



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