

## What can I do with A-Level Law?

Students wishing to continue their legal studies after A Levels can opt for a university degree or work-based apprenticeship. Both of these routes can lead to the qualifications required to become a solicitor, barrister or legal executive.

In addition to this, it helps students develop a range of transferable skills: analytical skills, attention to detail, logical thinking, research skills, essay writing skills and the ability to produce a balanced argument. Therefore, other popular careers include the police, teaching, social work, business and accounting.



## How will I be taught ?

The course is a two year A-level course with all examinations at the end of year 13.

The course is co-taught by Mr Lewis and Miss Harding. This means that your lessons will be split between two teachers, each teaching separate topics within the course.

Students will be provided with content booklets created in-house. These contain all of the information students need to pass the course and also discussion points to encourage students to engage with the material and consider how it links to the exams.

All assessments will be completed in class in timed conditions. This is to better prepare students for exam conditions. Homework will therefore take the form of preparing for these assessments by planning essays, reading over notes and understanding key legislation and cases.

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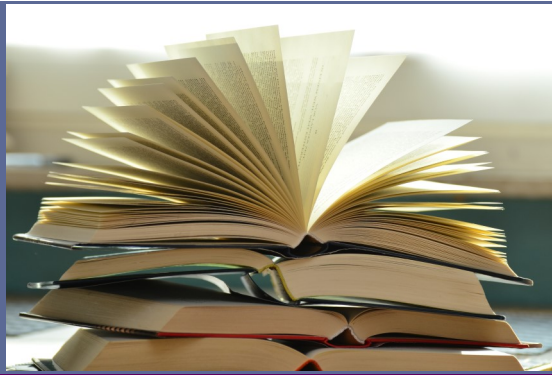
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## What are the entry requirements and necessary skills?

In addition to the standard sixth form entry criteria, you will also require a grade 5 or above in an additional essay based subject such as Sociology, History or English Literature. This is due to the fact that all assessment will be in the form of essays.

In addition to these entry criteria, Law students will also be expected to demonstrate:

- Analytical skills
- Attention to detail
- Logical thinking
- Research skills
- Essay writing skills
- The ability to produce a balanced argument.

## What will I study?

Students will be working towards the completion of a full A-Level for the OCR exam board. We do not currently plan to offer an AS.

### Course areas

#### Paper 1: Criminal Law

- The theory, rules and principles of criminal law
- Criminal liability
- Fatal offences (murder, voluntary and involuntary manslaughter)
- Non-fatal offences (assault, battery, etc)
- Property offences
- Defences (intoxication, insanity, self-defence, duress, etc)

#### Paper 2: The Law of Tort

- The theory, rules and principles of the law of tort
- Various theories of liability (negligence, occupier's liability, vicarious liability)
- Defences
- Remedies (compensation, injunctions, etc)

#### Paper 3: Human Rights

- The theory, rules and principles of human rights law
- Protection of the individual's human rights and freedoms in the UK (from the Magna Carta 1215 to the Human Rights Act 1998)
- Key provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights
- Restrictions on human rights law (police powers, interception of communications, obscenity, etc)
- Enforcement of human rights law (domestic courts and the European Court of Human Rights)

In addition to the substantive topics above, students will also learn about the processes and people involved with the law and legal system, develop an understanding of legal method and reasoning as used by lawyers and the judiciary, and explore the nature of law in a wider context including the way it interacts with morality, justice, society and technology.

## How is it assessed?

There is no coursework.

You will sit three exams at the end of Year 13.

Each exam is 2 hours long and they are all evenly weighted (each are worth 33% of the total A-Level)

The course will be delivered by Miss Harding and Mr Lewis of the Social Sciences department. If you have any further questions, come and speak to us in E19 and E20

