

A LEVEL SOCIOLOGY

Areas of Study...

The course requires you to complete:

Education with Theory and Methods

Why some people do better than others, the purpose of school and how the education system interacts with the rest of society. Study and experience of sociological research including questionnaires, interviews and observations.

Two Topics in Sociology

a) Families & Households: exploring family and family diversity, childhood, changing family patterns, changing population and the impact of government social policies.

b) Global Development: international differences in wealth and development; factors affecting social global development; the impact of organisations on social development.

Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

Why people commit crimes, who commits crimes and how we decide what is and isn't a crime. Different sociological perspectives and how they affect how we interpret social issues.

Future Careers

Sociology offers valuable preparation for careers that involve investigative skills and working with diverse groups such as journalism, politics, public relations, business, or public administration.

Sociology provides a broad base for professions such as law, education, medicine, social work, and counselling.

A Level Sociology provides entry to higher education. It complements most other A Levels & equivalents, particularly Psychology and Health and Social Care.

Assessment

External examination

3 exams, each lasting 2hrs; short, long and extended essay responses.

Each exam is worth one third of the final grade.

Exam 1: Education with Theory and Methods

Exam 2: Topics in Sociology a. Families & Households b. Global Development

Exam 3: Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods

