

A Level Philosophy, Ethics and Religion

Have you ever considered the following questions...

Is the universe evidence of God's existence?

Can you be religious and a feminist?

What makes an action right or wrong?

Are there any convincing arguments for the existence of evil and suffering?

Can the ends ever justify the means?

If so, A Level Philosophy, Ethics and Religion is the course for you!

What we study in A Level Philosophy, Ethics and Religion

- The next slide will show you the contents of the A Level course

| Unit 1: Christianity | Unit 2: Philosophy | Unit 3: Ethics |
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| <p>Theme 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus' birth, resurrection and the Bible • The early Church • Two views of Jesus (Messiah or social revolutionary) <p>Theme 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is God male? Can God suffer? • What is the Trinity? • Three theories of atonement • How does one enter heaven: Faith or good works? • Who are the New Testament community of believers? • What are key moral principles? <p>Theme 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attitudes towards wealth and migration • Religious, equality and discrimination • Challenges of secularisation • Challenges of science • Challenges of pluralism <p>Theme 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversity in baptism • Diversity in Eucharist • Diversity in festivals • Religious identity • Religious experience • Religions and injustice | <p>Theme 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cosmological argument • Teleological argument • Challenges to inductive arguments • Ontological argument • Challenges to deductive arguments <p>Theme 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The problem of evil and suffering • The Human Mind: Challenges to Religious belief • Freud • Jung • Atheism <p>Theme 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religious Experience • Mysticism • Miracles • Challenges to Religious Experience <p>Theme 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religious Language • Problems of Religious Language | <p>Theme 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Divine Command Theory • Virtue Ethics • Ethical Egoism • Meta-Ethics <p>Theme 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deontological Ethics • Natural Law • Proportionalism • Applied Ethics: • Abortion • Voluntary Euthanasia • Capital Punishment • Immigration <p>Theme 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teleological Ethics • Situation Ethics • Utilitarianism • Applied Ethics: • Sexual Ethics • Animal Experimentation • Nuclear weapons as deterrence <p>Theme 4:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freewill and Determinism • Religious concepts of Freewill and predestination • Philosophical freewill and determinism • Scientific freewill and determinism • Psychological freewill and determinism |

3 Written exams
2 hours each
Each exam is 33% of A Level

What is the value of studying Philosophy, Ethics and Religion?

- Develops your ability to **think critically**
- Develops your sense of self and **evaluate** your own beliefs
- Fosters **social** and **moral consciousness**
- Helps you to put forward an **argument** with confidence
- Guides you to **analyse** and **evaluate** philosophical theory
- Develops your ability to **communicate** in a clear and articulate way
- Teaches you to respectfully **challenge** ideas and ask important questions
- Prepares you for **academic** study at university

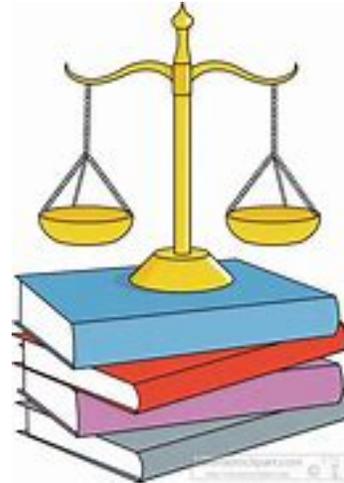
Where can this A Level take me?

Philosophy and Ethics is a highly respected and academic subject. It is an excellent subject to study alongside both arts-based subjects and science based subjects

- ✓ English
- ✓ History
- ✓ Sociology
- ✓ Geography
- ✓ Government and Politics
- ✓ Physics
- ✓ Maths
- ✓ Chemistry
- ✓ Biology

Where can this A Level take me?

Future careers options can include but are not limited to; Law, medicine, politics, teaching, nursing, journalism, media, social work and the world of business.



For more information

- Visit the EDUQAS website to check out the A Level specification
- Please refer to the Sixth Form booklet for further details about the course.
- We hope to see you in September!