

Philosophy & Ethics

**'The unexamined life is not worth living'.
Socrates**

Philosophy and Ethics is a critical approach to the consideration of moral and philosophical issues. This A Level course provides thorough and diverse philosophical and ethical viewpoints allowing you to analyse and evaluate some of the greatest philosophical arguments that have been debated and contested over thousands of years. **Can you outthink the greatest thinkers?**

Course Content

Christianity:

We carry out a thorough investigation into religious thoughts, beliefs and practices and the different ways that these are expressed in the lives of individuals, communities and societies. Whether Sources of Authority are interpreted accurately for modern day life and how they support responses to the role of tolerance and respect.

Philosophy of Religion:

An in depth study into the philosophical questions raised by religion and belief. We examine the arguments for the existence or non-existence of God. How can an omnibenevolent and omnipotent God allow the presence of evil in our lives? Does this mean that God does not exist or that God simply isn't involved with His creation?

Ethics:

By what method do we know how to make ethical decisions? This part of the courses looks specifically at the different theories about how we reach good moral behaviour and how they are applied to societal and global issues of importance like immigration, capital punishment and homosexuality. We look closely at the idea of free will and predestination; did you freely choose your breakfast today?

Where will an A Level in Philosophy and Ethics take me?

Philosophy and Ethics is a thought provoking subject focussing on contemporary themes. These critical and evaluative skills are sought by higher education and employers alike particularly in law, education, social work, politics, medicine, administration and the media

Course Requirement

9-5 in GCSE Religious Studies and 5 in English, to show you have developed written and evaluation skills.

Course Leader

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