

Curriculum Intent, Implementation & Impact

COURAGE CONFIDENCE









Vision: Provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the fundamental concepts, theories, and methodologies that shape our societies today.

Intent **Implementation Impact**

Studying sociology gives students the opportunity to delve deeper into society and understand how it functions through critically examining ways of life. The sociology curriculum is aiming to create young sociologists who evaluate society around them, whilst also allowing them to gain an appreciation of how and why society works in the way that it does.

Overall this course enables students to focus on contemporary society and will foster the development of critical and reflective thinking with a respect for social diversity. The course allows students to achieve an awareness of the importance of social structure and social action in explaining social issues. Throughout the course students are encouraged to develop their own sociological awareness through active engagement with the contemporary social world (real world application).

The teaching and learning approaches for AS Level Year 12 Sociology will include a combination of lectures, discussions, group work, independent research, and practical activities. Students will be encouraged to engage in critical thinking, debate, and analysis of sociological theories, concepts, and real-world case studies. They will also be given opportunities to conduct their own research projects and present their findings to the class.

The course aims to foster critical thinking, analytical skills, and a sociological imagination that enables students to explore and understand the social world around them.

Key Themes and Topics:

Introduction to Sociology, Education, Family and Household, Research Methods:

Assessment:

The AS Level Year 12 Sociology course will be assessed through written examinations at the end of the academic year. The assessment will consist of a combination of short answer questions, essay questions, and data response questions, designed to test students' understanding of key concepts, their ability to analyse sociological theories and research, and their skills in evaluating sociological evidence.

By the end of AS Level Year 12 Sociology, students will be able to:

- Understand and apply key sociological concepts, theories, and perspectives.
- Evaluate and analyse sociological research studies and data.
- Demonstrate a critical understanding of social issues, inequalities, and their impact on individuals and society.
- Develop skills in conducting sociological research and understanding ethical considerations.
- Communicate effectively and express their ideas using sociological terminology.

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