Sociology Curriculum

Aims

The study of Sociology must focus on contemporary society and foster the development of critical and reflective thinking with a respect for social diversity. It must provide an awareness of the importance of social structure and social action in explaining social issues. Students must be encouraged to develop their own sociological awareness through active engagement with the contemporary social world.

Assessed 1

The course is carefully planned to follow on from knowledge gained from study at GCSE. We have close collaboration with the English department to ensure our students' vocabulary is sufficient to be able to interpret the texts used in Sociology. We also use our position within the broader Humanities faculty to work with the History and Geography departments to ensure key skills of analysis and evaluation are developed. The central focus of study is on UK society today with consideration of how the UK fits within a globalised world. We also build on our strong links to the RSE curriculum to help our students develop an understanding of the world that recognises the importance of diversity.

Summer 1

Spring 1

Building on key stage

Autumn 2

Spring 2

Summer 2

12	Families & Households	Families & Households	Research methods	Mastery: Families & Households	Mastery: Methods	Research methods & HE & Work experience
	Education	Education	Methods in context	Mastery: Education	Mastery: Methods in context	·
13	The Media	The Media	Theory Mastery: Families &	Mastery: The Media	Mastery: Research methods	
	Crime & Deviance	Crime & Deviance	Households and Education	Mastery: Crime & Deviance	Mastery: Theory	

Assessment	Paper 1: Education	Paper 2: Topics in	Paper 3: Crime and	Assessment of
	with Theory and	Sociology	Deviance with	
	Methods		Theory and	0
			Methods	0
What's	Education, methods in	Families &	Crime & Deviance,	0
assessed	context, theory &	Households, The	Theory & Methods	0
	methods	Media		0
Assessed	• 2 hour written exam	• 2 hour written exam	• 2 hour written exam	0
	• 80 marks	• 80 marks	• 80 marks	0
				0
	• 33.3% of A-level	• 33.3% of A-level	• 33.3% of A-level	0

Assessment objectives (AOs)

- **A01:** Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of:
- • sociological theories, concepts and evidence
 - sociological research methods
- AO2: Apply sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods to a range of
 issues
- o issues
- AO3: Analyse and evaluate sociological theories, concepts, evidence and research methods
- in order to:
- present arguments
- make judgements
- draw conclusions.