

# AS Level / A Level Sociology (Full-Time/Part-Time)

The AS Level / A Level Sociology is a full-time course located in the Sixth Form Academy (SFA). Sociology is becoming increasingly popular amongst students who want a better understanding of the social world and how we develop cultural norms and values that inform our daily lives.

It is a course for students who enjoy working with others and enjoy lively, knowledgeable debates on different social subjects. A Level Sociology will give you a better understanding of society as a force. The course consists of four units. In the first year, students will study Culture, Families and Households and Education with research methods. The second year, students will continute to study research methods alongside Power and Control, where students will be examining the issues of crime and deviance in the UK and Social Inequality in particular, age inequality, ethnic inequality, gender inequality and social class inequality. Underpinning the whole course is how different theorists explain our social world and how changes both develop and effect both individuals and society.

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# **Entry Requirements**

A minimum of six GCSEs at Grade C or above including English. GCSE English Language Grade B is desirable.

# **Career Prospects**

The course provides a good foundation for further study of Sociology or related subjects at Higher Education.

Careers include Teaching, Social Work, Criminology, Charitable Organisations, Police, Sociologist, Social Researcher, Lawyer, Librarian, Politician and Anthropologist.

#### **Course Modules**

AS

Unit 1: Acquiring Culture: This unit considers how we learn our identity, and how the family is organised and has changed structure over time.

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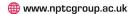
















Unit 2: Understanding Society and Methods of Sociological Enquiry: This unit explores how the research process helps sociologists discover the facts and the truth relating to social issues. The education system is also studied in this unit.

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Unit 3: Power and Control: In this unit we study areas such as who commits crime, who are the victims of crime, what types of crime exists and what is the role of the police, media and courts in shaping our ideas of crime.

Unit 4: Social Inequality and Applied Methods of Sociological Enquiry: This unit looks at social inequality between different groups in society, based on age, gender, social class and ethnicity. Further development of research skills learned at AS level are a key element in this unit.

### **Assessment**

There are four units of study over 2 years, with two exams at the end of the first year and two exams at the end of the second year. There is no coursework in this subject.

Assessment includes taught lessons, peer and self-assessments, group and independent working, discussions, written tasks and assessments and mock exams.

## **Additional Costs**

There will be additional course-related costs.

## **STUDY MODE**

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#### **LOCATION**

Neath College - 0330 818 8100

#### **COURSE LENGTH**

2Y

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