

A Level Government & Politics

Why study this course at Cronton Sixth Form?

Most people don't know much about politics. Yet it is one of the most talked about subjects in the world and we are expected to understand the issues on which we have to vote.

Studying politics will increase your awareness of political issues and develop your political views on an informed basis both in the British political system as well as the American political system.

Politics is an exciting and ever-changing subject that is relevant to you. It is a useful subject to study because it helps you to understand the different ways of resolving conflicts and how to influence issues in society. It can help you to play a more active role as a citizen, to question some of the things that governments do, and to try and bring about change. We have a strong tradition, built up over a number of years, of achieving excellent exam results. There has been a 100% pass rate in A level Politics for several years, with a high percentage of students gaining high grades every year.

What will I study?

By studying Politics, you will develop an understanding of how the British political system works. For example, you will learn about the role of MPs, the Prime Minister and the Cabinet; who makes the decisions that affect all our lives and how we can influence those decisions, say by joining a political party or pressure group.

However, there is a lot more to the study of Politics than, for example, Parliament, the Government, Political Parties and Pressure Groups. Politics is an exciting, ever changing subject, and by studying Politics, you will hopefully develop an understanding of a wide range of contemporary political issues.

How will I be assessed?

This course is 100% Exam Based.

Entry Requirements

A minimum of 3 x 5's and 2 x 4's at GCSE including a Grade 5 in English Language, a Grade 5 in Maths and a Grade 5 in another written subject.

Please note:
all of our A Level subjects must be studied as part of a full time A Level programme.
You will choose 3 A level subjects to study over two years.

A Centre of Excellence

Students studying Humanities are taught by leaders in their specialist field. Learning is enhanced by international trips to New York, Auschwitz, Krakow and Berlin. You will also have the opportunity to go on UK field trips to put classroom theory into practice.

Students enjoy a host of opportunities to learn from leading guest experts such as solicitors, police and journalists as well as taking part in national competitions such as the Bar Mock Trials and Debating Matters. Students can also benefit from our Tomorrow's Lawyers or Tomorrow's Teachers Professional Studies Programmes.

Be inspired

The college has a leading English, Modern Foreign Languages and Humanities department specialising in providing students with a wealth of experiences.

The passionate and dedicated members of the team strive for strong academic achievement from all of their students.



Can I study this course if I have not taken it at GCSE?

You do not need to have previously studied this subject at GCSE.

Enrichment Opportunities

You will have the opportunity to take part in various trips looking at the effects of the decisions made by Government. The group will also be able to visit London and Parliament during the course. Those students who enjoy expressing their opinion on controversial issues of the day can also join the College Debating Society and the law society.

What can this course lead on to?

Government and Politics will equip you with highly transferable skills. You will be able to assess ideas whilst constructing cogent and focused arguments to

support your claims with well selected evidence. The knowledge and skills you will gain will be particularly useful for careers such as law, journalism or the civil service. Government and Politics is a traditional academic subject which is well respected by prestigious universities.

Activities

Our highly skilled staff provide full enrichment and enhancement activities both within and outside the classroom to further stretch the students.

What have previous students said about this subject?

“Studying Politics at Cronton is really good, because the teacher is very helpful and knowledgeable, and the lessons are very well put together. They give you the best possible chance to succeed.”



Meet the Students

Name:
Matthew Jennings

Previously from:
Halewood Academy

Destination:
**University of Cambridge,
Philosophy**

A Level Results:
Philosophy and Religion A*
Government and Politics A*
Economics A*



Outstanding Results 2021

A*-A 23%
A*-B 77%
A*-C 100%