
St Mary's Sixth Form & Leadership Centre

GCE A Level Courses

Religious Studies (Philosophy & Ethics)

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GCE A LEVEL (2 Years)

STUDENTS WILL NEED

Students will need to achieve recommended entry requirements for Academic or Professional pathway, plus subject specific requirements of:

Students who have achieved a grade 6 in Religious Studies will be better prepared to meet the course demands.

STUDENTS WILL STUDY

Religious Studies (Philosophy & Ethics) is a thought provoking subject that analyses the nature of reality. Philosophy literally means a love of wisdom and is a quest for truth and knowledge, an ability to distinguish between doxa (opinion) and episteme (knowledge). It examines the three R's; what is Real (metaphysics), what is Right (ethics) and what is Rational and reasonable belief. The subject is highly respected by universities because it develops key skills of analysis and enquiry which are transferrable across many subjects.

Unit 1: Philosophy of religion

Unit 2: Religion and ethics

Unit 3: Developments in religious thought

ASSESSMENT

Students are assessed using three written examinations, each worth 33.3%

POTENTIAL SECTORS OF EMPLOYMENT

Education and Training

Business, Administration and Law

Health, Public Services and Care

Arts, Media and Publishing

Social Sciences