Government & Politics

A Level

**Your course**

Decisions made by politicians will shape your future whether you like it or not. For this reason Government and Politics is a great subject to give you a deeper understanding of how these decisions are made and put into practice. During the course you will study modules that will develop your understanding of the British Government and current political landscape:

- People, politics and participation – forms of political participation, voting behaviour, the types of electoral systems used in the UK, the history, ideology and organisation of the main political parties and the impact of pressure groups and protest movements on policymaking and public opinion.
- Governing Britain – the nature and sources of the British Constitution, the roles, functions and powers of Parliament, the changing powers of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the impact that devolution has had upon parliamentary sovereignty.

Throughout your second year, you will build upon the skills and knowledge you develop by engaging in content such as:

- The Government of The USA – the US electoral process and direct democracy, political parties, pressure groups and voting behaviour.
- Government and Politics lessons will give you the opportunity to debate, discuss and argue the above topics whilst giving you the ability to evaluate different perspectives and critically analyse which are beneficial skills for a broad range of career choices.

**Assessment**

- 100% examination

**Our Entry Requirements**

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) to include English Language. The most important qualities required for the course are an inquiring mind, an enjoyment of reading and a genuine interest in current affairs.

**Your Opportunities**

Politics students have previously visited the Houses of Parliament, Imperial War Museum, the Model United Nations conference and the Congress to Campus conference. Students have also entered debating competitions and have undertaken work experience in Westminster.

**Your Future**

A Level Government and Politics provides a good basis for degrees in law, history, philosophy, European studies, social sciences, international relations, as well as politics. Politics affects all aspects of our lives and therefore, students who have studied this course progress successfully on to a range of careers including media, law, business, journalism, teaching and the civil service.

**Your Programme**

This is a one option course studied over two years.

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History

A Level

**Your course**

History is a fascinating subject and not just the study of dates and events. History is about analysing all aspects of a period to determine what really happened, why, its consequences and lasting significance. This way of thinking will impact on your understanding of current affairs including politics, culture, society and economics. If you enjoy investigation, discovery and debate, and you’re interested in how the world has evolved to be the way it is, then History will appeal to you. Still unsure? - consider George Santanyana’s quote: “Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it”.

This course offers you the opportunity to study contrasting countries and periods, examine historical sources along with the work of historians and develop valuable skills of discussion, enquiry and analysis. You will be encouraged to form and present your own opinions. You will study; British history, modern European history, a thematic study and a non-examined enquiry. At present the examined units include the following; Italian history, the Stuarts and civil rights in the USA.

**Assessment**

- 80% examination
- 20% non-examined unit

**Our Entry Requirements**

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) to equivalent to include English Language. It is not necessary to have studied GCSE History.

**Your Opportunities**

Students have previously visited the Houses of Parliament, politics conferences and participated in debating competitions. There is also the opportunity of an overnight stay in London to visit the Imperial War Museum, the Tate, the Churchill and Cabinet rooms and HMS Belfast.

**Your Future**

A qualification in history is highly regarded by employers and university admissions tutors. It is excellent preparation for most careers because of the many valuable skills it develops (research, analysis, evaluating evidence from different sources and structuring an argument) and is particularly valuable for careers in journalism, law, politics and the civil service.

**Your Programme**

This is a one option course studied over two years.
Religious Studies

Your course

Religious Studies explores the responses to life’s most fundamental questions, helping students to reflect on their own beliefs and their place in the world. As part of this course, you will develop knowledge, understanding and appreciation of religious thought and the impact it has upon individuals, communities and societies. Religious Studies will develop skills of analysis, essay writing and forming judgements. This course is perfect for students of all beliefs and none, who seek to understand the world around them in an open-minded way.

During the Religious Studies course you will have the opportunity to study:

- The philosophy of religion - you will examine topics such as the arguments about the existence or non-existence of God, the nature of the soul, body and mind and the possibility of life after death.
- Religion and ethics - you will study normative ethical theories and apply them to contemporary issues of importance such as war.
- Developments in religious thought - through the examination of a set religion you will examine the religious beliefs, values and teachings, their authority and how their religious identity is expressed.

Assessment

- 100% examination

Our Entry Requirements

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language.

Your Opportunities

Students have the opportunity to take part in a selection of Humanities based trips and visits including the Model United Nations conference and the debating society.

Your Future

Religious Studies is useful for any progression to Higher Education and employment in fields such as law, public service, teaching and lecturing, charity work and international relations.

Your Programme

This is a one option course studied over two years.
Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language and another written/essay based subject such as English Literature or History.

Your Opportunities
There will be the opportunity to attend talks by visiting speakers, such as UK Feminista, a UK based organisation focusing on female rights and inequality. Visits take place as part of the course to local museums and universities.

Your Future
Sociology looks at a broad range of issues and can be combined well with most subjects. Students often combine sociology with English, philosophy, law, history, government and politics, economics, psychology and media. Sociology also provides an excellent background for careers in law, journalism, teaching, social work, social policy, management and business.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Sociology

Your course
Sociology allows us to think deeply about British society and how it affects our behaviour. You will consider how we are conditioned to behave as female or male, the varying experiences of people according to their ethnicity, social class, disability, sexuality, age and nationality. Once you have a grasp on the nature of identity you will look at how globalisation has affected our identities and the theories of different sociologists. During the course you will have the opportunity to investigate in depth the education system, looking at the purpose of education and why different groups have varying experiences in education. Sociology will suit people who enjoy examining ideas and who have an interest in current affairs.

In your second year, you will look at the role of the media in society which includes new media and the significance for understanding the role of the media in contemporary society. You will study Crime and Deviance which includes; crime control, surveillance, prevention and punishment, victims, and the role of the criminal justice system and other agencies. In Theory and Methods you will investigate the nature of science and the extent to which sociology can be regarded as scientific.

Assessment
• 100% examination
The aim of this course is to allow you to experience as many aspects of IT as possible to prepare you for further study or employment. Social media plays a huge part in the lives of many people and is set to continue to do so. This course will develop your communication skills as you study; blogs, forums and platforms such as Twitter. As the course develops, you will look at computer components and how they work. Through interactive sessions, you will learn to upgrade systems by replacing hardware such as RAM and hard disk drives. You will also look at software packages and use a variety to put together your own multimedia project and professional quality website. A popular area of IT is games design; this course will give you the programming skills needed to design, build and share your own video game including your own characters and design ideas.

Assessment
• 100% coursework

Our Entry Requirements
Grades D (grade 3) or above in GCSE Maths and English. Knowledge and experience with computers would be an advantage.

Your Opportunities
In the past, a visit to a theme park has allowed students to see how IT is used by a large tourist attraction in areas such as ride design, room bookings and product control. Students have also had the opportunity to visit IT conferences such as the ‘Platform’ gaming convention.

Your Future
Students who study the Level 2 OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma (CTEC) usually progress onto the Level 3 Cambridge Technical (CTEC) in IT, although if you were to get a B in GCSE Maths you could progress to A Level Computer Science.

Your Programme
This is a two option course studied over one year.
Computer Science

**A Level**

**Assessment**
- 80% examination
- 20% coursework

**Our Entry Requirements**
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language and a grade B (grade 6) or above in GCSE Maths.

**Your Opportunities**
Past students have had the opportunity to visit IT conferences including the gaming conventions in London and Birmingham and ‘Platform’ in Hull. Students have also been able to attend College events which include talks from GCHQ, the Intelligence Corps and the Police, regarding cybercrime and security, as well as Bletchley Park providing an interactive day on code breaking.

**Your Future**
Computing is an excellent foundation for careers in software/hardware development and IT support. The normal progression route would be onto a computer science course in Higher Education which could lead to jobs in areas such as computer programming, internet computing or network engineering. Alternative routes to Higher Education include those of apprenticeships and computer science related careers. Computer Science would also help students to progress onto careers in the fields of mathematics, science or engineering.

**Your Programme**
This is a one option course studied over two years.

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**Are you ready for the ultimate test in problem solving?**
If you take the two option IT you will additionally have the opportunity to study further exciting units, such as cyber security and software manipulation.

IT touches all aspects of our modern lives, there truly is no getting away from it, and this course is perfect for anyone wishing to make their own mark in this ever changing field.

Assessment – one option course
• 50% coursework
• 50% examination

Assessment – two option course
• 70% coursework
• 30% examination

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language and Maths.

Your Opportunities
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Your Future
The IT industry offers a wide range of career opportunities, including: technical support, website development, application development, data analyst, project management, systems analyst, game designer/developer. Students often progress to university, apprenticeships or employment.

Your Programme
This is a one or two option course studied over two years.
Our Entry Requirements
If you do not already have a GCSE English grade C (grade 4) or above or it is unlikely that you will achieve one, you will be advised at interview that you will need to study GCSE English Language. Some students may be advised to take a Functional Skills English qualification in preparation for study at GCSE level.

Your Future
A grade C in GCSE English is a requirement for many professions, such as teaching and nursing and is required for all Level 3 courses at Franklin College and for most degree courses.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over one year.

Assessment
• 100% examination

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Your Programme
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Assessment
• 100% examination
English Language & Literature

Your Opportunities
The English area has a busy programme of activities, which includes a journalistic visit to The Guardian, a French and Belgian literary battlefield trip, a writing workshop in the Lakes with a professional writer, study days and conferences, overnight London visits including the Globe, the British Library and theatre visits. Other activities include the use of professional writers, outside speakers, experts in their field and senior examiners to visit college and work with students.

Your Future
English is widely taught in universities as both a main and subsidiary subject. English A Levels and degrees open doors to many careers, including media, advertising, publishing, journalism, public relations, theatre and teaching, as well as providing a good A Level in areas such as architecture, law, local government and the Civil Service.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Assessment
- 80% examination
- 20% coursework

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent, to include English Language and English Literature.

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English Language

A Level

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Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Assessment
- 80% examination
- 20% coursework

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent, to include English Language and preferably, English Literature, although this will not stop you taking the course.
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Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Assessment
• 80% examination
• 20% coursework

working with professional writers is so inspiring!
Your course

French A Level

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language, and a Grade B or above in GCSE French. Alternatively, you will have lived in a French speaking country for a period of time and acquired a very good knowledge of the language.

Your Opportunities
You will have the opportunity to take part in a study visit to France where you will have the opportunity to discover French culture, places of interest and to explore historic areas.

Your Future
There are a whole range of opportunities after A Level French. As a subject it can be studied on its own at university or in combination with many other subjects. Employers often actively recruit language students. Many French graduates find employment in logistics and distribution, the travel industry, retail buying as well as in teaching and translation. This A Level course enables you to acquire a range of transferable skills which will help in whatever you choose to do beyond Franklin College.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Assessment
• 100% examination

Spanish A Level

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language, and a Grade B or above in GCSE Spanish. Alternatively, you will have lived in a Spanish speaking country for a period of time and acquired very good knowledge of the language.

Your Opportunities
You will be given the chance to take part in a visit to Spain, where you will have the opportunity to discover Spanish culture, places of interest and to explore the historic surrounding areas. Previous students have visited Salamanca and Santiago de Compostela.

Your Future
There are a whole range of opportunities after A Level Spanish. As a subject it can be studied on its own at university or in combination with many other subjects. South American markets are rapidly opening up to foreign business as well as Spain being a major trading partner with the UK. Many Spanish graduates find employment in logistics and distribution, the travel industry, retail buying as well as in teaching and translation. This A Level course enables you to acquire a range of transferable skills which will help in whatever you choose to do beyond Franklin College.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Assessment
• 100% examination
**Maths**

**GCSE**

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**Your course**

Being confident in the use of maths is a skill for life, essential for many careers and professions, and assists with the comprehension of everyday affairs such as banking, pensions and utility bills. You will study number, algebra, handling data and shape and space. Since class sizes at Franklin are generally smaller than you are probably used to you will get all the support you need to help you get the grade you want, allowing you to move on to a broad range of higher courses. GCSE Maths is also available through the Adult Learning Team.

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**Assessment**

- 100% examination

**Our Entry Requirements**

If you do not already have a GCSE Maths grade C (grade 4) or above or it is unlikely that you will achieve one, you will be advised at interview that you will need to study GCSE Maths. Students will be advised as to which of our maths courses may be best suited to them, some students may need to study Functional Skills in preparation for GCSE Maths, we have a full range of courses to meet individual student needs.

**Your Future**

The majority of jobs now require a GCSE Maths grade C (grade 4) or above.

**Your Programme**

This is a one option course studied over one year.
Your course

Entry into many professions including teaching and nursing require a Science GCSE grade C or above, so if you missed out at school you can achieve it at Franklin as part of your Study Programme. This course will build on the science you have already studied at school. This single GCSE in science gives you a broad understanding of key scientific ideas and how science works and includes aspects of biology, chemistry and physics.

Assessment
• 75% examination
• 25% coursework

Our Entry Requirements
Students should already have achieved a minimum grade D in this subject or a BTEC qualification. This course is only available to students taking a Level 3 Study Programme.

Your Future
GCSE Science is a well-respected Level 2 qualification, and along with GCSE English and Maths, opens the door to many options including apprenticeships, further study and employment.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over one year.

“Science is the acceptance of what works and the rejection of what does not. That needs more courage than we might think.”

JACOB BRONOWSKI
### Science & Maths

#### Biology

**A Level**

**Course Level**

- 3 years

**Programme**

- Single or Double

**Duration**

- 2 Years

**Assessment**

- 100% examination

**Our Entry Requirements**

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include two science grades or a merit in BTEC Science as well as GCSE Maths and English Language. Students will usually take the BTEC alongside other related courses to help progress onto employment or Higher Education.

**Your Opportunities**

Previous second year Biology students have taken part in a field studies visit to the Canary Islands. During the field trip students carry out ecological sampling techniques, look at evidence of evolution and study conservation. You will also have the opportunity to apply for the Science and Engineering Career Academy (see page 24).

**Your Future**

A combination of A Level Biology and Chemistry allows progression onto many science and medicine related courses. Biology also complements further study in sports, animal and agricultural sciences.

**Your Programme**

This is a one option course studied over two years.

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#### Applied Science

**BTEC**

**Course Level**

- 3 years

**Programme**

- Single or Double

**Duration**

- 2 Years

**Your course**

North East Lincolnshire is the home of an exceptional range of companies and services that rely on science and scientists to function and thrive. This course is a very well-regarded route to employment in science or as an alternative from A Levels to gain entry to university. A BTEC in Applied Science will give you the opportunity to find out how science is used in industry and the community to improve quality of life. This course is based on the principle that to understand the nature of science, you must actively experience the environment through experimentation and exploration. Through practical investigation you will work safely, methodically and accurately within the separate sciences and record and report your findings.

This course has been developed in the science sector to focus on giving students the opportunity to acquire technical and employability skills, knowledge and understanding which are transferable and will enable individuals to meet changing circumstances.

**Your Opportunities**

Students will have the opportunity to visit local employers and universities to see the role that laboratory technicians play within science industries.

**Your Future**

This course could lead onto a vast range of science courses in Higher Education (e.g. analytical chemistry, environmental science or food technology), to employment or an apprenticeship programme.

**Your Programme**

This is a one or two option course studied over two years.

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#### Assessment

- 50% coursework
- 50% assessment

**Our Entry Requirements**

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include two science grades or a merit in BTEC Science as well as GCSE Maths and English Language. Students will usually take the BTEC alongside other related courses to help progress onto employment or Higher Education.
Chemistry

A Level

Assessment
• 100% examination

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include Maths grade B (grade 6) or above and English Language. A minimum of grade Bs in GCSE Core and Additional Science or a grade B in GCSE Chemistry or a Distinction in BTEC Science. It is strongly recommended that you take at least one other science (or mathematics) to support your chemistry.

Your Opportunities
We run a number of activities within the science department. These have included; a medical day and links with Hull York Medical School, visits to local industry and Hull University. You will also be able to apply for a place on the Science and Engineering Career Academy (see page 24).

Your Future
Many of our students go onto science based engineering degrees as well as vocational courses such as those that are medically related. Students have ultimately gone into a wide variety of careers such as the chemical industry (research and development, petrochemicals, pharmaceuticals, engineering, food technology), medical services (nursing, dentistry, physiotherapy), public services (health services and protection) teaching and technical writing.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Practicals at Franklin really helped my understanding of the subject
**Further Maths**

* A Level

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**Your course**

If you love maths and wish to gain breadth and depth in maths knowledge, then Further Maths is for you as it allows you to study both Maths and Further Maths. You will study modules in pure maths, which build on your existing knowledge in algebra and trigonometry and introduces new skills in the study of calculus, complex numbers and matrices. You will also study two applied modules in statistics, mechanics or decision maths. Decision maths looks at effective methods of solving real life logistics problems which may involve computer, rail or road networks, and mechanics is the study of forces and motion. At the end of your first year, you will decide if you want to continue with one or both A Levels in the second year.

In your second year of Further Maths you will extensively develop your pure mathematics skills, building on everything that was learnt in the first year. You will also study three more applied units. This course leads to two A Levels; one in maths and one in further maths.

**Assessment**

• 100% examination

**Our Entry Requirements**

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include at least a grade A (grade 7) or above in GCSE Maths.

**Your Opportunities**

Students are encouraged to make the most of complimentary courses, study days and presentations at local universities.

**Your Future**

Many universities consider Further Maths as highly desirable for degree level courses such as engineering, computing, statistics, accounts, economics, maths and physics. A Level Further Maths is a well-respected subject by all universities and will help students even if they do not intend to study maths at university.

**Your Programme**

Whilst this course is a single A Level studied over two years, it will always be taken alongside A Level Maths. Your application should show Maths and Further Maths as two separate choices. Further Maths must be taken as a fourth option alongside Maths and two other choices.

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**Geology**

* A Level

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**Your course**

Geology is a branch of science concerned with the structure, composition and evolution of the Earth. Geology applies physical, chemical and biological principles to the investigation of the Earth and the processes that have shaped it over 4.6 billion years. Geology will help you understand climatic and environmental changes and the availability of the Earth’s natural resources. You will study:

• Global tectonics and geological structures – the formation of the solar system and the Earth, the theory of plate tectonics, its effect on the structure of the earth and the causes of, effects of and responses to earthquakes

• Rocks, processes and products – the study of the main rocks making up the crust of the earth: igneous, volcanic, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks.

Geologists are scientific detectives who try to reveal the past and predict the future of the Earth. You will study rocks, earthquakes, volcanoes and the landforms of the planet. As a geologist in your second year, you will study fossils, undertake a more in-depth study of the Earth’s crust and develop geological skills in the classroom. You will study:

• Environmental geology - water supply; coal, oil and gas, energy resources, metallic mineral deposits and geologic engineering

• Evolution of life, earth and climate – fossilisation and a study of the main fossil groups; their modes of life, climate change, mass extinctions and the measurement of geological time.

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**Assessment**

• 80% examination

• 20% coursework

**Our Entry Requirements**

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language, Maths and a B or above in Science or a Distinction in BTEC Science. An interest in geography or the sciences is essential.

**Your Opportunities**

Students can participate in an optional residential course to the Lake District to carry out fieldwork.

**Your Future**

This course provides a good foundation for the study of Geology in Higher Education. It is also a good subject to link with geography, environmental science, oceanography and archaeology at higher level. A wide range of careers are open to you from; surveying, mine and quarry management, engineering geology, teaching, laboratory work in companies, universities and civil engineering.

**Your Programme**

This is a one option course studied over two years.
Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent including Maths grade B (grade 6) or above and English Language. Students must have achieved at least a grade B in both GCSE Core and Additional Science, a grade B in GCSE Physics or a Distinction from BTEC Science. The course has a strong mathematical emphasis, so all students are strongly recommended to study A Level Maths.

Your Opportunities
The course contains practical coursework and students visit a local science based industry to see how physics is used in the work place and there are also opportunities to visit local universities. The Science and Engineering Career Academy is also something you may like to consider (see page 24).

Your Future
There are many degree courses that can be considered if you are a keen student taking A Level Physics. These include astrophysics, electronics, medical physics, computing, geophysics and engineering. Many other subjects make use of the skills developed through the study of physics.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Assessment
• 100% examination

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent including Maths grade B (grade 6) or above and English Language. Students must have achieved at least a grade B in both GCSE Core and Additional Science, a grade B in GCSE Physics or a Distinction from BTEC Science. The course has a strong mathematical emphasis, so all students are strongly recommended to study A Level Maths.

Your Opportunities
Students are encouraged to make the most of complementary courses, study days and presentations at local universities.

Your Future
A vast range of possibilities are available to maths students, including degree courses in mathematics, engineering, business, medicine, law and science.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.

Assessment
• 100% examination
Psychology
A Level

Your course

If you would like to gain a better understanding of yourself and those around, think critically, develop your research methods and communication skills and gain an insight into human development then psychology may be the course for you. As part of your first year studies you will learn about different research methods including experiments, observational techniques and self-report techniques such as questionnaires. You will discover and analyse what psychologists have found out about a number of areas which include social influence, human memory, attachment, psychopathology, biological psychology and research methods.

In your second year you will develop your skills in applying issues and debates to research studies and theories as well as exploring three additional topics which include cognition and development, eating behaviour and forensic psychology. Throughout the course you will cultivate many transferrable skills that would benefit higher education study including critical thinking, analysis, evaluation and extended writing.

Assessment
• 100% examination

Our Entry Requirements
Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) to include GCSE Maths, English and Science at a grade B (grade 5) or above.

Your Future
A Level Psychology will give you a strong basis for a degree in psychology and is also beneficial for careers in marketing, education, nursing, advertising, social work, personnel and public services. Previous students have gone to university to study a broad range of subjects such as criminology, anthropology, journalism, geography and psychology.

Your Programme
This is a one option course studied over two years.
Your Opportunities

A number of guest speakers from local government agencies, the Police, probation services and youth services will be invited to give presentations. You will also be encouraged to make contact with relevant practitioners.

Your Future

This course aims to assist you in preparing for work in all areas of the public sector, including the Probation Service, youth work, Civil Service, nursing and the Police.

Your Programme

This is a one option course studied over one or two years.

Assessment

• 100% coursework

Our Entry Requirements

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English Language.
In your second year, you will look at the principles of sports psychology and how it can impact on all aspects of training and performance. You will apply your knowledge to analyse the lifestyle of an athlete and make recommendations and develop well informed and targeted fitness programmes. You will investigate how elite athletes meet both the physical and psychological demands of performance whilst also analysing the pressures of being a full time athlete. You may also take additional units including; sports coaching, sports officiating and sports injuries.

Assessment

• 100% coursework

Our Entry Requirements

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English language and maths. A grade B in science is highly desirable due to the scientific content of the course.

Your Opportunities

Many students involve themselves in college fixtures and enrichment activities in various sports which are offered throughout the week and volunteer as a coach at local school sport festivals. Additionally, you could take the Sports Leaders Award.

Your Future

Sports students acquire many transferable skills which can lead to a wide variety of careers or further study in areas such as sports studies, sports management, leisure management, sports development and coaching.

Your Programme

This is a one or two option course studied over two years.
Physical Education

**A Level**

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**Your course**

Physical Education is a science course for the human mind and body and is a good course for anyone who has an interest not only in sports participation but the psychological, sociological and physiological factors that affect performance and participation. The topics you will study include applied anatomy and exercise physiology, skill acquisition and sport & society.

In your second year you will develop the skills attained in your first year through studying topics including exercise physiology and biomechanical movement, sports psychology, sport and society and the role of technology in sport. You will participate in a variety of activities from formal lessons with an emphasis on active learning strategies through to investigating key ideas in a practical setting.

As Physical Education contains diverse areas of learning it is a great addition to many study programmes.

**Assessment**

- 70% examination
- 30% practical assessment

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Our Entry Requirements

Five GCSE grades A*-C (grade 4 or above) or equivalent to include English language, maths and science. Competence in a practical sport as either coach or performer e.g. playing/training regularly for a team or competing/performing for a club.

Your Opportunities

The College has an extensive programme of extracurricular sports organised by our ‘sportsmaker’ with a focus on participation activities including: badminton, boccia, boxing, 5-a-side football, basketball, table tennis, golf, ice-skating, parkour, futsal and access to the fitness room. More competitive activities are provided through our membership of the British College’s fixture programme. We currently field teams in football, netball, and rugby union in the Yorkshire and Humberside leagues. The sport leadership academy will give you opportunity to volunteer and gain critical employment skills linked to the sports industry.

Your Future

Student’s progress onto sport related degrees including: physical education, sports science, sports development and coaching and sports injuries to name just a few.

Your Programme

This is a one option course studied over two years.