

AS Level Examination

Unit 1

AS Subject Content Module 1
Electoral Systems & Voting Behaviour
1 hour exam

Unit 2

AS Subject Content Module 2
Parties & Pressure Groups
1 hour exam

Unit 3

AS Subject Content Module 3
Government of the UK
1 hour exam

A2 Level Examination

Unit 4

A2 Subject Content Module 4
The Politics of the USA
1 ½ hour exam

Unit 5

A2 Subject Content Module 5
Coursework – Politics Research Essay on any topic from the Syllabus

Unit 6

A2 Subject Content Module 6
Comparative UK/USA Government & Politics
1 ½ hour exam

ABOUT THE COURSE

The course will involve:

- * Group work
- * Presentations
- * Exam Success Skills
- * Individual Research
- * Class teaching, debates & discussion
- * Free use of all necessary textbooks and of other books, leaflets, video cassettes and other materials in the Sixth Form Politics Library



LIBERAL DEMOCRATS

- * TV broadcasts from Parliament
- * Guest speakers such as MPs, local councillors and magistrates
- * Visits to relevant political institutions

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OPPORTUNITIES WHILE STUDYING POLITICS

- Chance to be a member of the Youth Parliament which includes a weekend residential
- A chance to take part in local democracy week including speaking to Councillors online and a chance to take part in debates, excellent experiences to put on your C.V.



CONSERVATIVE

- A chance to take part in mock general election. You can take part in Hustings, campaigning and debating.
- Can you win the election for your favoured party? Have you got the organisation and stamina to win the election?
- Ask questions on a "Question Time" radio broadcast on Radio Stoke and watch and listen to it online afterwards.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT
MR SAVAGE FOR ANY FURTHER INFORMATION
ABOUT THE COURSE.

Course Content

The course consists of 9 .hour long sessions every fortnight. Time is split between essays, lectures and debates. Staff are always on hand to provide assistance. We also take part in various politics conferences and day schools. Your political persuasion is irrelevant, provided you can back up your arguments. You can be as radical or conservative as you wish, providing you can argue with good examples.

No previous knowledge is necessary to enrol on the course.

Links with other courses

Politics is a highly self contained subject. Due to this it can be taken by students studying subject s

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such as Art and Chemistry. Politics groups also contain students studying subjects like Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Sociology, Psychology, Economics, Geography, & History etc. In fact, almost any combination of subjects can be studied as well as Politics.

Where can Politics get you?

Politics can lead to various jobs and further courses including careers in law, journalism, broadcasting, social work, the civil service, local government, the police and the Armed Forces as well as business and finance.

It is recognised as a valid qualification for entry into all universities.

Many universities also run degrees in Politics and Government. It could also feature in degree courses such as Sociology, Social Studies, Modern History, International Relations, Law, Economics, Public Administration and Business Studies.

The **Advanced Level (A- Level)** examination is in two parts:-

- * **Advanced Subsidiary (AS)** 50% of the total award
- * A second examination, called **A2** 50% of the total award.

An **Advanced Subsidiary (AS-Level)** can be used in one of two ways:

- * As a final qualification, allowing candidates to broaden their studies and defer decisions about specialism
- * As the first half (50%) of an **Advanced Level** qualification.