

A-level French

Below you will find some information regarding the A-level French course. Please note that there are some entry level requirements for this course. Please speak to us if you have any queries or questions.

What is covered?

During this course you will develop the four skills established in GCSE French. Themes that are covered include:

- Current trends and issues in French society
- Political and artistic culture in the French-speaking world
- Immigration and multicultural France
- France – from occupation to a modern multicultural society

All components of the award are externally assessed as follows:

- Paper one: listening, reading and writing, including translation into French and English. (two hours 30 minutes, 50%)
- Paper two: writing – response to a literary text and film (two hours, 20%)
- Paper three: speaking – Part One: response to a stimulus card based on the topics studied throughout the A-level, Part Two: presentation and discussion based on the students individual research project (21-23 minutes, 30%).

What does the course involve?

Learning any language requires enthusiasm and dedication. This is a varied and interesting course that will help you prepare for a global society, and you will be encouraged to visit a country where your chosen language is spoken.

This A-level will support your interest in business, travel, law and health. You will be exposed to new cultures, film and literature written in French, which will include studying at least one book and one film. Naturally, a passion for learning French is important.

Quick course facts

You should have a minimum of five GCSEs graded at level 4 or above, including English and Mathematics as well as a Level 5 in French.

This course will expose you to new cultures, especially the French speaking world.

You will need to be outgoing enough to speak aloud in French.

An interest in literature also helps as you will read books written in French, such as 'Le Petit Prince' by Antoine de Saint-Exupery.

You will need to be able to work under your own initiative.

The ability to speak a second language is valued by many employers.

