

QUEEN'S GATE SCHOOL

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

A-LEVEL GUIDE



THINKING OF STUDYING RELIGIOUS STUDIES AT A-LEVEL?

THE HISTORY OF CULTURE THROUGH THE VISUAL ARTS

AQA Religious Studies A Level: 7062

DOES RS A LEVEL SUIT YOU?

- Do you have questions about the place religion has in society?
- Do you wonder about the perceived paradoxes in belief within Christianity?
- Do you have questions about how Christian belief keeps pace with scientific progress?
- Do you want a course that teaches you how to write clearly and persuasively?

IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY OF THESE THEN
RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAY BE FOR YOU!

A LEVEL COURSE CONTENT:

Paper	Duration	Weighting
What's assessed – Component 1 Section A: Philosophy of religion Arguments for the existence of God Evil and suffering Religious experience Religious language Miracles Self and life after death. Section B: Ethics and religion Ethical theories Issues of human life and death Issues of animal life and death Introduction to meta ethics Free will and moral responsibility Conscience Bentham and Kant	Written exam: 3 hours	50%

What's assessed – Component 2 Section A: Study of religion – for each faith option (2A–2E) the following topics are covered: Sources of wisdom and authority God/gods/ultimate reality Self, death and the afterlife Good conduct and key moral principles Expression of religious identity Religion, gender and sexuality Religion and science Religion and secularisation Religion and religious pluralism. Section B: The dialogue between philosophy of religion and religion. How religion is influenced by, and has an influence on philosophy of religion in relation to the issues studied. Section C: The dialogue between ethical studies and religion. How religion is influenced by, and has an influence on ethical studies in relation to the issues studied.	Written exam: 3 hours	50%
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SUPER CURRICULAR

Students are encouraged to engage with up to date issues involving Christianity and how it fits into society. This can be as simple as watching the news but also looking for honing in on issues like the ordination of women, treatment of the LGBTQ+ community, responses to scientific progress and ethical standpoints on issues from the different denominations in Christianity. Attending religious exhibits in museums and galleries builds wider context for understanding the growth of Christianity. Visiting places of Christian worship worldwide to see what worship can look like in different contexts and locations is beneficial if possible.

CAREER PROGRESSION

Possible university courses:

Theology, Philosophy, Journalism, Law, PPE, Social Sciences, Sociology, History. It is an excellent subject for building critical analysis and writing style so lends itself well to any essay subject or subject with a focus on data analysis.

Possible careers:

Students have enormously varied careers ranging from Journalism to Finance. Politics is very popular with a Philosophy/RS background.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A good set of GCSEs with grade 7 or above in essay subjects will provide a solid footing. It is not essential but worth a conversation if essay writing is difficult.

CONTACT

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