

POLITICS A-LEVEL

Course Mode	Part-time
Location	Milnthorpe Road Campus
Duration	2 Years
Level	3



Course Overview

Year 1:

In the first year of the A-Level, you will study UK government and political participation in the UK. In order to understand the workings of UK government, your study will include the UK constitution, parliament and the role of the prime minister and cabinet. In the second half of the first year, you will analyse and evaluate the concept of democracy and participation in the UK through an investigation into pressure groups, electoral systems, voting behaviour and political parties.

Year 2:

In the second year, you will take a comparative approach, analysing the similarities and differences between the government and politics of the USA and the UK. You will also study four key political ideologies that have had a huge influence on both history and political systems around the world: liberalism, conservatism, socialism and anarchism.

The course employs a variety of learning approaches, these will include: lecturer led teaching; discussions and debates; activities and investigations; regular exam style writing practice; watching and listening to relevant programmes and news footage; reading articles and reports; and watching parliament live. There is a field trip each year year to either the Scottish Parliament or Westminster.

Entry Requirements

5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above (A*-C) which must include Maths
GCSE English Language at Grade 6 (or B)

After your course

Politics will enable students to pursue many different courses at degree level, with Law and History being the most popular. Employment opportunities include work with members of parliament, journalism, local and central government, and Law, amongst others.

Fees

£1987.00

The fee displayed is the course fee. Course fees are per year for full-time & degree-level courses, and per course for part-time courses.

There may be other costs associated with this course e.g. kit, equipment, books, trips etc. Financial support may be available to support you with these. See the [Student Money](#) pages for more information.

Courses Fees

The current full-time & degree-level fee information is related to the 2022/23 academic year.

Entry Level, Level 1 & Level 2 Courses

You may qualify for financial support to cover the cost of a government-funded qualification if any of the below apply to you:

- Have an annual salary of less than £18,525
- Receive an eligible means-tested benefit e.g. JSA, ESA or Universal Credit
- Are aged 16-18 on 31/08/22 and are not studying at another school/college
- Are aged 19 or over on 31/08/22 and do not already have a Level 1, 2 or 3 qualification
- Have a household income under £35,000 and are in financial hardship

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