



A Level Religious Studies

What you will learn:

Course Structure

You will study three main areas over the two year course:

*Philosophy of Religion

- Can we prove God exists? Can God exist with the amount of suffering in the world?
- Is religion a product of the mind? Does the modern world mean we don't need religion? - Do religious experiences like miracles actually exist?
- Is there a problem with the language we use when talking about religion?

*Religion and Ethics

- What do we mean when we say 'good' and 'bad'? Who decides?
- Should we always agree with abortion but never euthanasia? Agree with immigration but never capital punishment? What about animal experimentation? Nuclear weapons?
- Should there be any limitation on sexual expression?
- Are we always completely free to act? Are we always morally responsible for our actions?

*Systematic Study of Islam

- What is the role of Shari'a law in the world today and how is it applied by Muslims?
- What are the misconceptions around the term 'Jihad'?
- Are there problems in applying lesser jihad today with specific reference to modern warfare?

Elements of the course:

A wide range of methods will be used to engage and inspire students. Students are encouraged to play an active role in class discussions, group work, presentation and independent research.

Where could it take me?

Students who have previously studied A Level Religious Studies at Callington Community College have gone on to careers in Law, Journalism, Youth Worker, Teaching, Banking, Armed Services, Counsellors, Civil Service and Politics.

Assessment:

This is 100% examination. Each section will have to have its own paper.

Entry Requirements

Minimum Required:

Standard Sixth Form entry requirements

Preferred Requirements:

Grade 5 or above in GCSE English Language.

Special Requirements:

Grade 5 or above in a Humanities subject (including Philosophy & Ethics)