

<h1>Philosophy and Ethics</h1>	
Exam Board	OCR
Course Entry Criteria	6 in GCSE Religious Studies
Essential skills	Your grade at GCSE is not necessarily a good indicator for aptitude at AS or A2. The emphasis at A level is on your ability to assess and evaluate different arguments /ideas.
	<p>Paper 1: Philosophy of Religion: Content overview Philosophical issues and questions; The nature and influence of religious experience; Problems of evil and suffering. Philosophical issues and questions; arguments for and against the existence of God ; The nature and influence of religious experience; Life after death ; Philosophical language; Influences of developments in religious belief i.e. modern atheism.</p> <p>Paper 2: Religion and Ethics: Content overview Significant concepts in issues or debates in religion and ethics; A study of three ethical theories; Application of ethical theories to business ethics. Significant concepts in issues or debates in religion and ethics; A study of three ethical theories; Application of ethical theories to issues of importance; Ethical language; Deontology, Virtue Ethics and Medical ethics: beginning and end of life issues.</p> <p>Paper 4: Study of Religion: Options Christianity. Content overview Religious beliefs, values and teachings; Sources of wisdom and authority; Practices that shape and express religious identity eg feminist and liberation theology. Religious beliefs, values and teachings; Social and historical developments e.g. secularisation.</p> <p>Assessment overview An externally-assessed written examination comprising three essay questions out of a choice of four.</p>
University requirements	Typical grade requirements to study a Religious Studies/Philosophy degree are as follows: Oxbridge: A*A A Russell Group: A*A*A–A B B Non Russell Group: B B B – C C C
Related courses and careers	Religious Studies is an academic subject that is well respected by universities and an excellent grounding for any Arts or Social Science based degree course. It will enable you to develop the kind of skills which will enhance your study of other subjects. The ability to articulate ideas and evaluate their strengths and weaknesses is one that is transferable and highly applicable to any career which involves communication, including Law, Public Relations, Education, Advertising, Marketing, and Management Consultancy.