

German	
Exam Board	AQA
Course Entry Criteria	6 in GCSE German
Essential skills	An interest in the subject is the most important thing. A good grasp of grammar is also important, although this will be reinforced at the start of the course. You must have an interest in discussing and debating contemporary issues as you will be working on developing your speaking skills in class and with the foreign language assistant.
Year 12	The topics covered include: 'Aspects of German-speaking society' (Changes in the family structure, New technologies, Youth culture) and 'Artistic culture in the German-speaking world' (Festivals and tradition, Art and architecture, Cultural life in Berlin, past and present).
Year 13	The topics covered include: 'Multiculturalism in German-speaking society' (Immigration, Integration, Racism) and 'Aspects of political life in the German-speaking world'. Students will need to demonstrate critical thinking and an ability to engage in a discussion in French.
A2 exam at the end of Y13	Paper 1 – Listening, Reading and Translations (50%) Paper 2 – Written responses to <i>Good Bye Lenin!</i> - film by Wolfgang Becker and to <i>Andorra</i> - book written by Max Frisch (20%) Paper 3 – Speaking (30%)
University requirements	Typical grade requirements to study a German degree are as follows: Oxbridge: A*A A / A A A Russell Group: A A B to B B B Non Russell Group: B B B
Related courses and careers	Courses – Languages are “facilitating subjects” as recommended by the Russell Group of Universities. An A level in German would be beneficial to a great majority of courses at university, and would be particularly helpful if you choose to spend a year abroad. It combines very well with maths and science, especially considering the strength of Germany’s economy and its strong research base. Careers – Translating, Interpreting, Finance, Law, Sales and Marketing, Engineering, Tourism, Leisure, Public Sector, United Nations and European Union, Media, Teaching (Primary and Secondary), Linguistics, plus knowledge of a foreign language can allow you to pursue any career at an international level.