



Philosophy, Ethics & New Testament (Religious Studies)

Awarding Body	PEARSON	Specification Code	9RS0
Purpose of the course	<p>A Level Religious Studies (which includes the study of Philosophy, Ethics & New Testament studies) is of interest to students wishing to build upon what they have learned in their GCSE Religious Studies. The Edexcel Specification offers an academic approach to the study of Religious Studies and is accessible to candidates of any religious persuasion or none.</p> <p>The course encourages students to:</p> <p>Develop their interest in, and enthusiasm for, a rigorous study of religion and its relation to the wider world.</p> <p>Treat the subject as an academic discipline by developing knowledge, understanding and skills appropriate to a specialist study of religious ideas.</p> <p>Adopt an enquiring, critical and reflective approach to the study of religious concepts.</p> <p>Reflect on and develop their own values, opinions and attitudes in the light of their learning.</p>		
Entry requirements	Grade 5 in Religious Studies and English Language but depends on other relevant results		
Type of qualification	A Level		
Course contents	<p>Students will study the following topics throughout the course:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Philosophy of Religion● Ethics● New Testament Studies		
Assessment method	<p>Paper 1: Philosophy of Religion (EDEXCEL *Paper code: 9RS0/01) Written examination: 2 hours 33.33% of the qualification 80 marks</p> <p>Paper 2: Religion and Ethics (*Paper code: 9RS0/02) Written examination: 2 hours 33.33% of the qualification 80 marks</p> <p>Paper 3: New Testament Studies (*Paper code: 9RS0/03) Written examination: 2 hours 33.33% of the qualification 80 marks</p>		
Further studies	<p>The course is of considerable value in its own right and there are many courses in Religious Studies, Philosophy and Theology in further education. The A Level may complement and balance choices in other subject areas, especially humanity subjects. Many courses that involve working with people and understanding why they live the way they do value this course at A level eg criminology, medical degrees, law.</p> <p>It is highly regarded by universities and employers alike.</p>		
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