# POLITICS

## A Level Course

#### Description

Politics is all about how society manages differing opinions. It's as much about compromise and concession as it is about strength of conviction. It impacts at every level of daily life, irrespective of your chosen career path or skill base. If you believe keeping up to date with the latest political and social news is a fundamental part of your day – if you enjoy discussion and accept that there are no right or wrong answers, then you should be on the A level Politics course at Holy Family.



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#### Entry Requirements

GCSE Average: 4.8. GCSE grade 5 in English,

An active interest in current affairs and passion for politics is essential



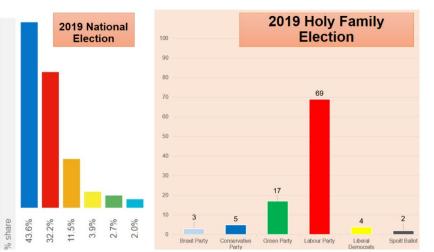
#### Progression

Many students who have taken the A-level Politics go on to study Politics at university. From there you might become a researcher, join local or national government or even start on the path to become a future Prime Minister! But there are other job options too. If you fancy a career in Journalism or the Media, this course is very useful. Students also go on to become teachers or work in the legal profession.



### **Course Details**

Unit I: UK Politics Political Participation (democracy and participation, political parties, electoral systems, voting behaviour and the media) Core Political Ideas (conservatism, liberalism, socialism)	2 hour written exam 33% of A level
Unit 2: UK Government UK Government (the constitution, parliament, Prime Minister and executive, relationships between the branches) Optional Political Ideas: one idea from the following: anarchism, ecologism, feminism, multiculturalism, nationalism.	2 hour written exam 33% of A level
Unit 3: Comparative Politics USA (the US Constitution and federalism, US congress, US presidency, US Supreme Court and civil rights, democracy and participation, comparative theories)	2 hour written exam 33% of A level



"Studying Politics has developed my critical awareness of where power lies and how power can be challenged in our own society."

### **Further Information**

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