



Entry Requirements: Grade 4 or above in English

This specification is designed to encourage candidates to:

- Develop and sustain their enjoyment of, and interest in, law
- Develop knowledge and understanding of selected areas of law
- Gain an understanding of legal method and reasoning
- Develop techniques of logical reasoning and analytical skills and solve problems by applying legal rules
- Develop the ability to communicate legal arguments and conclusions, referring to legal authority as appropriate.

Candidates will develop a knowledge and understanding of the legal system and an ability to evaluate its operation and performance. The specification introduces substantive law and requires simple application of aspects of criminal law and the law of tort in civil law.

The study of law helps develop the learner's analytical ability and critical thinking. It also develops problem solving skills through the application of legal rules. Study at A Level provides a useful background for the further study of law either as the main subject or subsidiary part of a degree, foundation degree or for the many professional qualifications which have a law component.

The course covers a variety of topics designed to give students a broad overview of the English legal system. These include:

Year 12

- The English legal system
- Parliament and how laws are made
- The courts
- Murder and manslaughter
- Assault, battery, ABH and GBH
- Theft and robbery
- Tort
- Defences

Year 13

- The judiciary and other legal professions
- Sources of legal advice
- Tort (negligence, occupiers' liability, nuisance)
- Human Rights
- Fault
- Morality
- Justice



Assessment:

Paper 1: The nature of law and the English Legal System and Criminal law

- This will be assessed in a 2-hour exam
- There will be a combination of multiple choice, short answer, and extended writing questions
- 33% of A Level

Paper 2: The nature of law and the English Legal System and Tort

- This will be assessed in a 2-hour exam
- There will be a combination of multiple choice, short answer and extended writing questions
- 33% of A Level

Paper 3: The nature of law and the English Legal System and Contract law or Human Rights

- This will be assessed in a 2-hour exam
- There will be a combination of multiple choice, short answer, and extended writing questions
- 33% of A Level

