

**COURSE INFORMATION LEAFLET** 

# **WJEC AS Level Government and Politics Level 3**



## In a nutshell

The course aims to develop a critical awareness of Politics and the relationship between political ideas, institutions and processes in modern Wales and beyond. The course will also look at the structures of authority and power within the political system of Wales and the United Kingdom and how these may differ from those of other political systems, especially that of the United States.

## This course is for you if...

...you like to stay on top of Politics

...you want to learn about how political systems work

...you'd like a career in Politics or Government, Law, Legal Services or a career in journalism or the media

...you are interested in following the Humanities Pathway, Law Pathway or Social Sciences Pathway





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#### What will I be doing?

The AS Level is composed of two modules, which focus on Government and Politics of modern Wales and its context within the UK.

Unit 1: Government in Wales and the UK Unit 2: Living and participating in a democracy

The A Level is made up of the AS units plus two more units, which are studied at a higher level.

Unit 3: Political concepts and themes Unit 4: Government and politics of the USA

You'll be assessed via externally set examinations. Students are expected to complete internally set formal assessments throughout the year. Upon completion, you'll achieve:

AS Level Government and Politics A Level Government and Politics

#### What is expected of me?

To enrol, you'll need a minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above, including C grade minimum in English/Welsh First Language and Maths/Maths Numeracy.

It's important that you have a lively and enquiring mind, as well as an interest in politics and current affairs.

#### What comes next?

Students with AS or A Level Government and Politics have access to a wide range of possible career and higher education opportunities in such areas as Business, Economics, Law, Media, Journalism Philosophy and, of course, Politics. Students who choose not to go on to higher studies will have well developed transferable skills that will allow them to explore a wide range of employment opportunities.

## Additional information

You'll need to make financial contributions to the travel cost of educational visits.