

## General Enquiries

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MARPLE  
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COLLEGE

## A Level Sociology

<b>Location</b>	Marple
<b>Full/Part time</b>	Full-Time
<b>Department</b>	A Levels

## Course Overview

**This is an exciting, contemporary course that will give you a deeper understanding of the world around you and encourage reflection on social issues relevant to your own social experiences. Fascinating discussions are encouraged: “How do we explain inequality in society?”, “Does the Criminal Justice System work for everybody?” and “How does your gender impact on family life and employment?” Students acquire knowledge and a critical understanding of: Crime & Deviance, Families and households, Education, Beliefs, Research Methods.**

## Course Start Date

**04/09/2023**

## Course Duration

**Full-Time - 2 Years**

## Course Requirements

**General entry requirements for our A Levels include 5 GCSEs grade 5 or above, including English Language and Maths. A strong profile in a humanities related GCSE e.g. History, English, Geography, Religion is beneficial. More importantly, we expect students to have an interest in British society and the modern world.**

## **Course Skills & Benefits**

**You will gain a much deeper insight into Britain and many of the social and political issues we currently face. You will develop the ability to think, discuss and write in a more fluent, accurate and critical style. You will understand how sociologists conduct research in society and some of the challenges faced by researchers. You can consider just how family, friends, school and the media have shaped who you are and your life chances. Sociology teachers are all highly experienced and enthusiastic at teaching the subject and have a wealth of student friendly activities, videos and handouts combined with valuable insights from related careers. Students are encouraged to maintain an interest in the news, visit Universities and attend Study trips, e.g. Manchester, London and New York.**

## **Mandatory Units**

**You will begin by finding out about new terms: culture, socialisation and identity. How much have you been shaped by the people around you? The course is assessed by three exams at the end of Year 2, with regular assessment during Year 1 to prepare.**

## **Optional Units**

**N/A**

## **Course Progression**

**Students may choose to go into areas such as: Teaching, Social Work, Counselling, Media, English, Journalism, Politics, History, Community Development Work, Charities, Criminal justice, Welfare services, Police Force.**

**The British Sociological Association (BSA) declares that 'a very wide range of employers see Sociology as 'highly relevant'.**

## **Course Assessment**

**The course is assessed by three exams at the end of Year 2, with regular assessment during Year 1 to prepare.**

## **Course Finance**

**This further education course is free for all 16-18 year olds who are a resident in the UK and the European Economic Area or have been for the last 3 years. You must be under 19 years old on 31st August in the calendar year you start your course.**