



Blue Coat Church of England Academy

Year: 12/13

Subject: A Level RE

Overview

Our courses offer a choice of different religions, ensuring students have a thorough understanding of diverse philosophical and ethical viewpoints. Students gain critical and evaluative skills sought by higher education and employers – particularly in law, education, social work, politics, medicine, administration and the media. Religious studies is a thought provoking subject and our contemporary themes will help you inspire engaging classroom discussion.

Component 1: Philosophy of religion and ethics
What's assessed

Section A: Philosophy of religion
Arguments for the existence of God
Evil and suffering
Religious experience
Religious language
Miracles
Self and life after death.

Section B: Ethics and religion
Ethical theories
Issues of human life and death
Issues of animal life and death
Introduction to meta ethics
Free will and moral responsibility

Conscience
Bentham and Kant.

Component 2: Study of religion and dialogues
What's assessed

Section A: Study of religion -Christianity

Sources of wisdom and authority
God/gods/ultimate reality
Self, death and the afterlife
Good conduct and key moral principles
Expression of religious identity
Religion, gender and sexuality
Religion and science
Religion and secularisation
Religion and religious pluralism.

Section B: The dialogue between philosophy of religion and religion.

How religion is influenced by and has an influence on philosophy of religion in relation to the issues studied.

Section C: The dialogue between ethical studies and religion.

How religion is influenced by and has an influence on ethical studies in relation to the issues studied.

This course pairs well with History, Criminology, Sociology, Law, English and can lead to careers in education, law, health and social care plus many more!