

GERMAN

AQA

COURSE OVERVIEW

The course will focus on a wide range of topics; students study technological and social change, looking at the multicultural nature of German-speaking society. They will study highlights of German-speaking artistic culture, including art and architecture, and will learn how Germany's political landscape was formed. Students will explore the influence of the past on present-day German-speaking communities. Students will study texts and film and will have the opportunity to carry out independent research on an area of their choice.



HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

There will be three exams (two on paper, one that is speaking). You will answer comprehension questions about audio and written material, translate short texts and write short essays about film and literature. In speaking, you will give a short presentation about a topic of your choice, which will lead into a longer discussion.

Edexcel	Paper 1 Listening, Reading and Writing	Paper 2 Literature & Film essays	3 Speaking Exam
Length	2 hours 30 minutes	2 hours	21-23 minutes
Weighting	50%	20%	30%

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You should have GCSE Grade 6 or above. German can be combined with any subject, including Mathematics and/or Sciences. At University, German can be studied as a single degree or combined with most subjects.



WHY STUDY THIS SUBJECT?

There are more native speakers of German in Europe than any other language. Germany is Europe's largest economy, the UK's largest foreign language trading partner and a worldwide centre of technological innovation, manufacturing excellence, sporting achievement and cultural and gastronomic quality. German speakers are currently more in demand in the UK economy than any other language.

Competence in a foreign language is an asset in almost any career, opening doors for trips abroad and therefore making careers more interesting. As a German specialist, you can use German in teaching and in interpreting and translating in industry, the legal profession, the civil service, banking, engineering or journalism.