

POLITICS

COURSE OVERVIEW

Module Information:

Component 1: UK Politics and Core Political Ideas (conservatism, liberalism, socialism)

Component 2: UK Government and Non-core Political Ideas (anarchism, feminism, multiculturalism and nationalism).

Component 3: Comparative Politics: the US Constitution and Federalism, US Congress, US Presidency, US Supreme Court and civil rights, democracy and participation, comparative theories.



At the core of this course are certain key ideas. These include sovereignty, democracy, civil liberties, constitutional law and political ideologies. Examples of contemporary political issues concerning the UK and USA include elections and their outcome, the economy, and the quality of public services such as health and education.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

The assessment consists of three 2 hour exams. There is no coursework.

Edexcel	UK Politics	UK Government	Comparative Politics: US Politics
Length	2 hour exam	2 hour exam	2 hour exam
Weighting	33 % of the qualification	33 % of the qualification	33 % of the qualification

ENTRY REQUIRMENTS

A good standard of English and a keen interest in current affairs. If you are interested by the way decisions are made, who makes them and the thinking behind them, then this subject will interest you. Decisions are constantly being made which will affect you and your families. Studying Politics will provide a greater insight into the beliefs and processes which is central to understanding the modern world.



WHY STUDY THIS SUBJECT?

Studying Politics now is more exciting than ever before. Crucial developments – such as the UK’s vote to leave the EU, Boris Johnson’s premiership, the election of Joe Biden in the USA, the global pandemic and the use of ‘Trussonomics’ have changed the political landscape.

You will develop many skills including the ability to conduct research, develop oral and written communication and IT skills. These skills are invaluable in today’s higher education and

STUDENT EXPERIENCE

“I have found the Politics course at St. Anselm’s very engaging and interesting. The teaching is good and work is always marked quickly and with good feedback” - (Ben, Year 12 student).

Further Information: Please see Dr Cooper or Mr Dillon