



A-Level Law (AQA)

Staff delivering:

F Sims (Head of Sixth Form)

Topics/Units studied:

The course covers a vast range of both substantive and non-substantive Law. Specifically, Paper One focuses on Criminal Law, Paper Two Covers Civil Rules and principles finally Paper Three considers the Law on Human Rights. Below are some examples of the topics covered on the 2-year linear course.

Substantive Law

Murder
Manslaughter
Non-Fatal Offences
Necessity defences
Capacity defences
Tort Law
Human Rights Law

Non Substantive Law

Parliamentary Law Making
Delegated Legislation
Statutory Interpretation
Civil Court Systems
Criminal Court Systems
Judicial Independence
Legal Profession

Key dates & deadlines:

Paper	Title	Year studied	Mode of Assessment
Paper One June 2021	The nature of law and the English legal system and Criminal law.	13	Exam
Paper Two June 2021	The nature of law and the English legal system and Tort.	13	Exam
Paper Three June 2021	Human Rights	13	Exam

Career Pathways:

Even if you aren't aiming for a career in the legal profession, a grounding in law is valuable on your CV. That's because a GCE in Law helps you to think in a very logical way by breaking a problem into its component parts. And in many managerial positions, a basic understanding of law is a distinct advantage.

A GCE in Law will enhance your chances of being accepted into university, either to take a law degree, a social science or business degree, or any other course of study. So whether you want a career in the law, or in other areas like education, human resources, finance or business, A Level Law can really open doors for you.

Example careers

Solicitor, Barrister, Policing, Probation, Journalism, The Armed Forces, Forensics, Criminologist to name a few....

Success

A Level Law at Holderness Academy and Sixth Form College has an excellent history of successful outcomes for students who have studied the course. At present the subject is seated in the top 5% of all students nationally with a 100% pass rate.

In the AS Year (2019) 63% of students achieved A-B grades.

In the A2 Year (2019) 72% of students achieved A*-B grades.

The subject has continued this trend of success for at least the past 5 years, with large numbers of students developing a passion for the subject, taking it through to Higher Education.

Alumni

Many of our students decide to continue their study of Law at university, our most recent cohort saw a large portion of students who took A Level Law selecting to read Law at university.

Alex B	University of Hull - Law
Jakub D	University of Hull - Law with Criminology
Emily F	University of Essex - Law with Human Rights
Anna F	University of Lincoln - Law
Ellie H	University of Hull - Law with Criminology
Benjamin M	University of Lincoln - Law
Grace P	University of Hull - Law
Thomas R	University of Hull - Law with Business Management
Emily S	University of Hull - Law
Kaelem S	University of Liverpool - Law
Olivia S	University of Hull - Law
Lauren T	University of Hull - Criminology and Law
Cameron Y	University of Huddersfield - Law

Progression

An A Level in Law will facilitate a wide range of degree courses including those that carry LLB status, this enables you to go into legal practice to become a solicitor or barrister. Alternatively, many students chose to complete a BA or BSc in Criminology, Forensic Science or English Literature/ Language.

The CILEx route allows you to learn and train to become a qualified legal executive at the same time, A Level Law enables this.

Trips

Seeing the Law in action is essential to understanding its operation and effect. Learning outside of the classroom is a key feature of the course. Annually we run a visit to London which includes a tour of the Houses of Parliament, The Royal Courts of Justice, the Supreme Court and the Old Bailey. In addition, we have visited the National Justice museum in Nottingham to evaluate the history of our legal system.

Visits locally to our Magistrates and Crown Court have allowed Law students a view of the law in action. Understanding how we punish offenders adds a further dimension to our visits, with visits ran to local prisons including HMP Humber and Hull.

