

A LEVEL SOCIOLOGY

Examining Board:
AQA

Link Tutor:
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Method of Assessment:

AS Level x 2 Exams

Paper 1 - 1 x one hour exam (Education with Methods)

Paper 2 - 1 x two hour exam (Research Methods and Topics - Families)

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Paper 1 - 1 x 2hr exam (Crime and Deviance with Theory and Methods)

Paper 2 - 1 x 2hr exam (Topics in Sociology (Families and Media)

Course Content:

3 Modules

- Education – Role, differences in achievement, relationships, policy
- Families and Households – relationships, changing patterns, childhood
- Sociological Methods – sources of data, quantitative and qualitative.

Lesson style:

Sociology is unique at FCC as it is the one of only a few subjects taught by distance learning . Students will work through a self-supported study file and will contribute to weekly tutorials with the distance learning tutor. The course is further supplemented by a weekly tutorial where group discussion is undertaken.

Time Allocation:

2 x one hour distance learning tutorials

1 x one hour 'in-house' seminar per week

1 x one hour private study session

Private Study Requirement:

Significant demands are made for private study to compensate for just three hours of teacher contact. Students are expected to complete an independent study file and submit fortnightly assessments.

This style of learning is best suited to students who have strong independent study skills, who are well organised and have good time management skills. Thus a Grade '6' or above in English or English Literature is recommended as an entry requirement for the course. All students will keep abreast of contemporary issues by watching the news, documentaries and reading quality newspapers.

Advisable for following careers:

Any career that involves the understanding of human behaviour and working with people. All public services eg health, education, police, judiciary, leisure, retailing and social services.

Good Combination with:

English, History, Philosophy & Ethics, Psychology, Human Biology, Human Geography