

Level 3 EPQ

The Course

EPQ stands for Extended Project Qualification, which is an additional qualification you can take alongside your A Levels in Year 12. It helps develop research skills, time management and a whole host of other skills that could be very useful at university, whilst undertaking an apprenticeship, or in your chosen career.

The course is challenging and is self-guided with the aid of a supervisor so the ability to work independently is vital, you will make the decisions and be the driving force for your project. You create either a 5000 word written report or a physical product with a supporting 1000 word report.

The Content

You are able to study an area of your own interest that you is not covered by subjects in your regular post-16 studies. You will chose a topic based on your own interests or ambitions and undertake research in this area. The lessons cover topics such as project management, structuring extended writing, research skills, presentation skills to name but a few.

The EPQ teaches real life research and application skills that are valuable to universities and employers.

Why take an EPQ?

Many universities are now asking for students to have an additional qualification to be competitive with some giving alternative offers for students who have undertaken an EPQ. An offer of AAB with an EPQ graded B or above may be given instead of AAA, for example.

Assessment

100% coursework/project based that is internally marked and externally moderated.

Subject entry requirements

A minimum of six grade 6s at GCSE, and a formal application process at the start of Year 12.

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