

EXTRA ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At least a grade 6 in GCSE German and the capacity to use grammatically correct language at a sophisticated level.

WHO DO I SEE FOR MORE INFORMATION?

- Ms C. Johns, Head of Modern Foreign Languages.

GERMAN

WHAT WILL I STUDY AND LEARN?

The emphasis is on communication, building on the skills developed at GCSE. The course is topic based enabling students to develop a broad cultural knowledge and understanding of the language. Topics at AS include the digital world, youth culture, the changing state of the family, the cultural life of Berlin and festivals and traditions in German-speaking countries. Students will also study texts and films in the target language and will have the opportunity to carry out independent research on an area of their choice.

HOW IS IT TAUGHT?

A variety of techniques and resources are used to deliver the four skills, but with a focus on authentic articles taken from German sources such as newspapers and internet sites. Wherever possible, lessons are conducted in the target language and students are expected to listen to and speak in the target language and read widely to help develop vocabulary, fluency and comprehension.

HOW WILL GERMAN HELP ME?

In the present political climate in Europe, languages have become more important than ever. Degree courses involving the study of languages are increasing in variety and number. Languages combine well with virtually any other A Level subject and complement areas such as Business, Economics, the Arts and Sciences. An A Level qualification in a modern foreign language is highly regarded by universities and is recognised as being a facilitator subject for degree courses.

