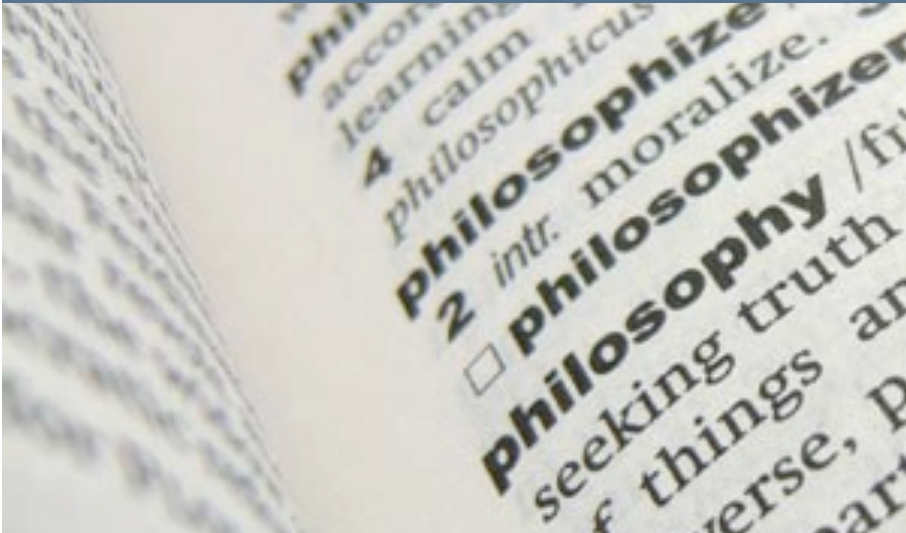


Philosophy of Religion and Ethics



OCR
A-Level

Overview

Philosophy of Religion and Ethics focuses on the study of religion and belief in a range of different contexts. You will be required to investigate and interpret a variety of different concepts and ideas from religious, ethical and philosophical standpoints.

Aims

- ▶ To develop an interest in, and an enthusiasm for, religious and philosophical thought.
- ▶ To develop critical reading and thinking skills, whilst exploring ideas and concepts in an empathetic and sensitive manner.

Grade Requirement

Students must achieve 5 A*-C grades at GCSE, including a B in English Language and Mathematics. If Religious Education has been studied at GCSE, students should have achieved at least a grade 'B'.

Complementary Subjects

Mathematics and Sciences, Geography, History, Sociology, Psychology, English Literature, Business Studies.

AS-Level

Philosophy of Religion 1

Religious Ethics 1

A2-Level

The Philosophy of Religion 2

Religious Ethics 2



This subject draws its content from a range of different religions and beliefs, as well as considering philosophical and ethical approaches to religion. The course encourages the spiritual, moral, social and cultural education of students.

Philosophy and Ethics offers the opportunity to investigate, study and interpret significant religious, philosophical and ethical issues, including the study of religious and spiritual experience, in light of your own sense of identity, experience and commitments. Students with a genuine interest in developing original thinking skills, reasoning and the ability to consider the fundamental questions in life would find this course highly satisfying, as would students who are interested in natural and social sciences.

Philosophy and Ethics is also an appealing subject choice because it complements many of the other subject choices offered at Bacon's. For example, Mathematics develops logical thinking and reasoning skills while Science challenges the literal interpretations of scripture, yet endorses a variety of claims and accounts of human experience that cannot be satisfactorily explained using scientific methodology. Geographical and historical contexts and insights are crucial to understanding how philosophy and religion have developed, while Modern Foreign Languages helps to reinforce a more informed awareness of cultural diversity. Business Studies is also helpful when considering the ethical issues and dilemmas of contemporary society.

Whether your plans are based on employment or undergraduate study after Sixth Form, prospective employers and admissions officers will favour students who are able to substantiate their ideas and thinking processes. Careers in fields as diverse as Law, Medicine, Economics, Psychology and the media are commonplace to students of Philosophy and Ethics.



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