

Modern Foreign Languages

Examination Board: AQA

A Level French A Level Spanish A Level German

Why should I take the course?

In today's international world a modern language is a major asset which combines well with all other subjects to provide an invaluable life skill. The languages currently on offer are French, German and Spanish.

What is the course about?

Each language is taught through a series of topics, based on current issues, such as social issues, political and artistic trends, culture, literary text and/or a film. The topics include the changing nature of the family, the cyber-society, voluntary work, immigration and law and order. Students will also study cinema, literature and music. A stimulating range of material from the Internet, up to date textbooks and authentic articles will be used to teach. The lessons will include debates, presentations and the use of ICT.

How is it assessed?

The A level is assessed through two written papers and a speaking exam:

Paper 1 - Listening, reading, writing and translation to and from the target language.

Paper 2 – two essays in the target language based on two texts or a text and a film studied.

Paper 3 – A Speaking exam including a stimulus card and a discussion on an individual research project.

Where will it take me?

Modern Language graduates have one of the **highest employment rates**, with an average **6% increase in salary**. They are **highly sought after** in many fields of business and industry, not just because they can communicate with many more potential customers, but because their **analytical skills, trained memory** and attention to detail are needed in many different professions. Most degree courses, especially those in **Business, Law, Engineering, History** and **Sciences**, combine well with a language, either as part of the course or as a way of widening the possible areas of research and study.

If you require further information, please talk to a language teacher at your home site.