

A Level in Law

Location	Altrincham Campus
Course Type	College 16-18
Department	A Levels
Start Date	Monday 1st September 2025
Course Code	AFQ-AL3L-1105

Course Overview

A Level Law develops knowledge and understanding of the English Legal System. The study of Law at A Level will enable you to develop analytical and critical thinking skills. It will also develop your problem-solving skills through the application of legal rules, together with an understanding of legal method and reasoning. These skills provide excellent preparation for those students who wish to progress to degree level study or pursue a wide range of careers.

What's on the course?

Firstly, we will be looking at the nature and rule of law, the differences between enforceable legal rules and principles, and other rules and norms of behaviour. We will also look at the equity and fairness of the rule of law. Secondly, we will be considering the workings of the English Legal System and look at the different courts within the English Legal System and the work of the different personnel that work within these courts.

Alongside these topics, we will be looking at three substantive areas of law: Criminal, Tort, and Contract. In each of these areas, we will look at the theory behind that area of law along with practical examples.

Students follow the AQA A Level Law specification.

Course Requirements

PLEASE NOTE - YOU MUST APPLY FOR 3 A LEVELS

Standard A Level entry requirements: 5 x GCSE grade 5's or above (must include Maths and English Language).

What You Will Learn

We will begin with the Nature of Law and the English Legal System. Firstly, we will be looking at the nature and rule of law. We will look at the differences between enforceable legal rules and principles and other rules and norms of behaviour. We will also look at the equity and fairness of the rule of law. Secondly, we will be considering the workings of the English Legal System. We will look at the different courts within the English Legal System and the work of the different personnel that work within these courts.

Assessment

You will be assessed through written exams, which will be a mixture of question types including multiple choice, short answer and extended response questions.

The A Level is awarded on the basis of exams held at the end of the second year which cover the full course.

Progression

Once you have finished your Law A Level you will have picked up a range of useful skills including the ability to analyse, debate, use cases to provide evidence and communicate effectively. These will prepare you for continuing with your studies at university, entering an apprenticeship or going into employment.

Career Options

Jobs in the legal profession include Police, CPS, Solicitors, Barristers, Para-legal and, Legal Executives. There are also opportunities with various council and government departments or in companies that have their own legal departments as well jobs in finance and banking.

Mandatory Units

Criminal Law

Tort Law

Contract Law

Contact Details

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