**A Level Spanish**

**What will I need to study this course?**

You will ideally need to have achieved a minimum of a grade 5 in GCSE Spanish.

**What will I study?**

Students will study technological and social change, looking at the multicultural nature of Hispanic society. They will study highlights of Hispanic artistic culture, including a focus on Spanish regional identity and the cultural heritage of past civilisations. They will learn about aspects of the diverse political landscape of the Hispanic world.

Students will explore the influence of the past on present-day Hispanic communities. Throughout their studies, they learn the language in the context of Hispanic countries and issues and influences which have shaped them. Students will study texts and film and will have the opportunity to carry out independent research on an area of their choice.

**How is the course assessed?**

The course is linear with exams covering all four skills areas incorporated into 3 papers.

**Paper 1: Listening, reading and writing.**

*What's assessed* -

* Aspects of Hispanic society
* Artistic culture in the Hispanic world
* Multiculturalism in Hispanic society
* Aspects of political life in Hispanic society
* Grammar

*How it's assessed*

Written exam: 2 hours 30 minutes, 100 marks, 50% of A-level.

**Paper 2: Writing**

*What's assessed* -

* One text and one film or two texts from the list set in the specification
* Grammar

*How it's assessed*

Written exam: 2 hours, 80 marks in total, 20% of A-level.

**Paper 3: Speaking**

What's assessed -

* Individual research project
* One of four themes (Aspects of Hispanic society or Artistic culture in the Hispanic world or Multiculturalism in Hispanic society or Aspects of political life in Hispanic society)

**Where next?**

Employers will often actively seek students who have a second and even a third language. In our globalised world the ability to speak and write in another language will help you to forge global links which are not always accessible to those without language skills. You will have a broader range of career options, not just in the UK but for global companies and organisations that need your ability to network in another language. All organisations need good communicators, and as a linguist you may have a considerable advantage.

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