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WELCOME



Thank you for considering Boston College as your progression route after GCSEs. Our A Level courses not only fully prepare you to undertake further study at university, but are also becoming increasingly desirable by employers who are looking for keen apprentices to join their schemes and fund their studies at Degree level.

You will study three subjects over two years and sit your exams at the end of this period. This allows you time to grow academically and on a personal level. We instil professional standards and values in all our students, so you understand the responsibility involved in entering these well-qualified fields and remain motivated and committed to making a difference in society.

We understand the worries young people face regarding leaving home and getting into debt, which is why we also offer several degrees here at Boston College that allow you to stay at home and obtain your degree at a lower cost. For those students who are keen to spread their wings, **we can boast that all our students who have applied for university places over the last seven years have been successful,** including prestigious Russell Group Universities. At the start of your second year, we will guide you through and complete the UCAS process with you and ensure you remain on target to achieve the grades required by your chosen university.

I have taught A Levels for over a decade at the College, so have had the privilege of watching students excel academically, but importantly, watched them grow in confidence and make lifelong friends. I believe this is because **we have fostered a university environment, so are the perfect stepping stone to Higher Education and the working world.**

We have a specialist, energetic team who are fully dedicated to ensuring you have an amazing academic and personal journey with us. We are looking forward to being part of this stage of your life.

Gerri

Gerri Brazil
Senior Learning Lead: A Levels and Access to Higher Education

THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Studying A Levels at Boston College is more than just attending lessons. Over the two years of study, you can expect to get involved in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities, with previous educational visits including Warner Bros. Studios, The Imperial War Museum North, The Old Bailey, Westminster and University open days. Other benefits include joining the National Union of Students, discounted gym memberships, on-site hair and beauty salon, on-site restaurants and coffee shop.

STUDENT SUPPORT

You will find a wide range of support services available at Boston College to give you the best advice and guidance throughout your course, including Safeguarding and Wellbeing Officers, an Inclusive Learning Team, Careers Advisers, a Bursary Administrator, Counsellors, and a Student Enrichment Coordinator.

CAREERS ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

We provide a FREE, impartial, quality careers service to help you on your next steps. Our Careers, Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) trained advisers are available by face-to-face appointment or telephone advice. Call **01205 365701** or email careers@boston.ac.uk to make an appointment.

The Matrix Quality Standard recognises the high-quality careers advice provided by our Careers Team.



A LEVEL PATHWAYS

At Boston College, we offer a dynamic and supportive A Level programme designed with your success in mind. Our dedicated A Level Team is focused entirely on providing you with the best possible learning experience. We understand that choosing the right A Levels can be challenging, especially when it comes to aligning them with your future university or career plans.

To make this process easier for you, we've organised our A Level subjects into specific pathways. These pathways are tailored to ensure that the subjects complement each other, enhancing your understanding and boosting your overall performance. By following a pathway, you'll not only gain in-depth knowledge but also develop transferable skills that are highly valued by both universities and employers.

You'll choose an A Level pathway based on your career interests, ensuring a more focused and rewarding learning experience. This structure is designed to help you concentrate on your career goals and get the most out of your studies.

A LEVEL PATHWAYS AVAILABLE:

Communications and Journalism (History, Media, Politics)

Creative (Film, Media, English Literature)

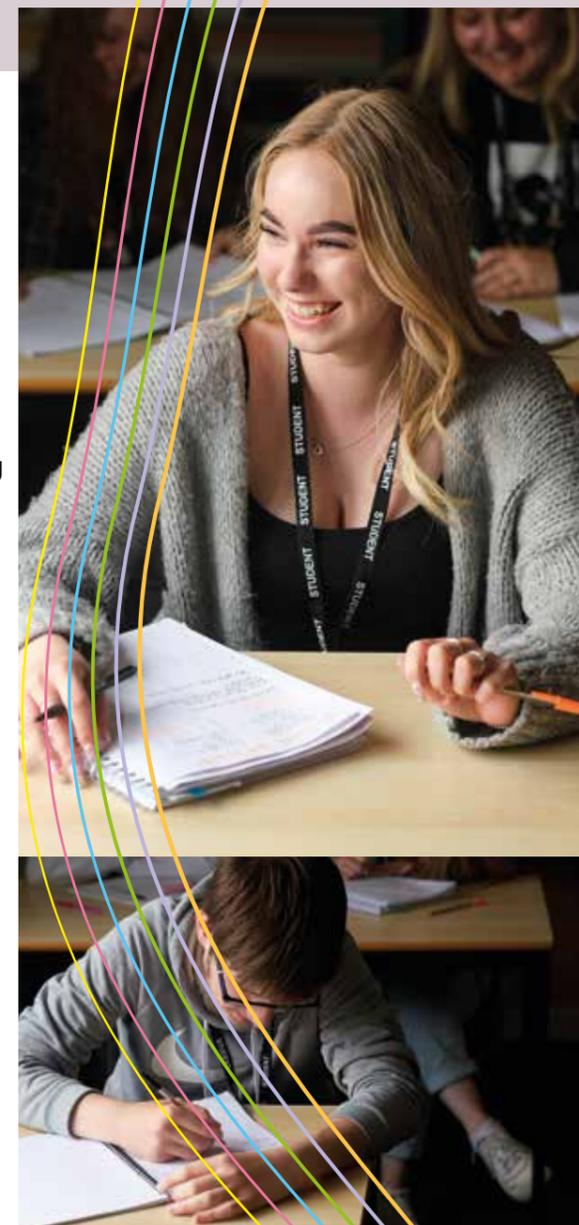
Crime and Deviance (Psychology, Sociology, Law)

Education (Psychology, Sociology, English Literature)

Government and Law (Politics, Law, History)

Health Professions (Biology, Psychology, Sociology)

On the following pages, you'll find detailed information about each pathway. This will help you identify which one aligns best with your career aspirations or academic interests.



COMMUNICATIONS AND JOURNALISM PATHWAY

Are you passionate about uncovering truth, shaping public opinion, and making a real impact? Dive into the dynamic world of communication and journalism with our comprehensive A Level pathway.

Over two years you will study a combination of 3 A Levels, giving you a foundation for pursuing a career in communications or journalism.

Investigate the roots of societal issues with A Level History, gaining valuable context for today's news stories. Analyse media landscapes and develop critical thinking skills with A Level Media, mastering the art of communication in the digital age. Understand the mechanisms of power and governance through A Level Politics, essential for navigating political reporting and analysis.

Studying the Communications and Journalism A Level pathway will help you develop strong analytical, research, and communication skills, enabling you to critically evaluate information, engage with diverse perspectives, and effectively communicate your ideas across various media platforms. This pathway prepares you to thrive in the dynamic and rapidly evolving fields of media, politics, and journalism.



Where will it take me?

Successful completion of the Communications and Journalism A Level pathway will give you the skills and knowledge to progress on the next step of your academic journey. This can be in Higher Education, in the form of a Degree level course or apprenticeship, or directly into employment in your chosen career.

Completing this A Level pathway opens a variety of career opportunities in the dynamic field of media, public relations, and beyond. Armed with a deep understanding of political systems and historical contexts, coupled with media literacy, you could embark on careers such as investigative journalism, public affairs or broadcast journalism amongst many others.

What will I study?

HISTORY

A Level History begins with an in-depth look at the course of modern German history. Starting with the birth of the German Empire, you will examine the timeline of German history up to the division of Germany after the Second World War.

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POLITICS

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MEDIA

A Level Media will provide you with knowledge and understanding of key aspects of media industries, including the significance of ownership and funding, the role of regulation in global production, the impact of digitally convergent platforms and the effect of individual producers on media industries. In addition, you will study media audiences, the categorisation and construction of audiences, as well as how audiences use and respond to the media.

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5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above	4 days/week	2 years	Boston

Career pathways include:

Journalist

Museum Archivist or Curator

Arts or Heritage Officer

Editorial Assistant

Assessments

Each one of the three A Levels that make up the Communication and Journalism pathway is assessed individually:

History: You will sit 2 formal examinations. There is also a coursework assignment that makes up 20% of your final grade.

Politics: You will sit 3 formal examinations.

Media: You will sit 2 formal examinations. There is also a coursework assignment that makes up 30% of your final grade.



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CREATIVE PATHWAY

Unlock your creative potential with our A Level Creative pathway!

Ready to dive into the captivating world of storytelling? Our Creative pathway offers an exhilarating blend of A Level Media, Film and English Literature that will ignite your passion for creativity and critical thinking.

Immerse yourself in the dynamic realms of media production, cinematic masterpieces, and literary treasures as you explore diverse narratives, analyse powerful imagery, and develop your unique voice.

Together, these subjects offer a comprehensive exploration of artistry and communication, equipping you with valuable skills in critical thinking, creativity, and communication. Whether pursuing further study in the arts, media, or humanities or entering creative industries such as film or publishing, this creative pathway provides a solid foundation for future endeavours in the dynamic world of cultural expression.



Where will it take me?

A creative pathway through A Levels in Film, Media and English Literature opens doors to a spectrum of captivating careers where artistry and communication shine. You might find yourself crafting compelling narratives as screenwriters, weaving tales for films, TV shows or even video games. Those drawn to the visual aspect might flourish as film directors, bringing scripts to life with their unique vision.

For the visually inclined, a path as a cinematographer beckons, framing scenes with artistry and technical finesse. Media production managers orchestrate the behind-the-scenes magic, ensuring the seamless execution of projects from conception to delivery.

Beyond traditional media, content creators thrive in the digital realm, producing engaging videos, podcasts or written content for online platforms. Advertising creatives conceptualise campaigns that captivate audiences, blending art and persuasion.

Each of these subjects embraces the power of storytelling and the nuanced understanding of media, offering fulfilling avenues for those on a creative journey.

What will I study?

FILM

A Level Film introduces a wide array of films to enhance your understanding of cinema and its diverse responses. It covers mainstream American and British films, American independents and global cinema, including non-English language productions.

The course spans silent films, significant movements, documentaries, and experimental shorts, offering a comprehensive view of film history and its digital evolution. Production work is a pivotal aspect of this course, fostering skills applicable to filmmaking and screenwriting. The diverse film selection enables you to apply your knowledge to scriptwriting and gain a filmmaker's perspective.

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ENGLISH LITERATURE

In English Literature, embark on a journey through diverse texts across centuries and genres, honing critical thinking, analytical ability, and writing skills.

Dive into canonical works from Shakespearean drama to modernist pieces, engaging with literary theory and criticism. Explore how literature reflects cultural and philosophical shifts, shaping and challenging societal norms and values.

Career pathways include:

- Video Editor
- Professional Photographer
- Broadcasting Production Assistant
- Fashion Industry
- Novelist
- Content Creator

Assessments

Each one of the three A Levels that make up the Creative pathway is assessed individually:

Film: You will sit 2 formal examinations. There is also a coursework assignment that makes up 30% of your final grade.

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CRIME AND DEVIANCE PATHWAY

Studying the Crime and Deviance pathway offers a multifaceted exploration into the complexities of human behaviour, societal norms and legal systems. Combining A Level Sociology, Psychology and Law provides a comprehensive understanding of the causes, effects and responses to criminal behaviour.

In Sociology you will delve into the structural and cultural factors that contribute to crime and deviance within society, examining theories such as strain labelling and social control to understand why individuals engage in criminal behaviour and how social institutions respond to it.

Psychology provides insight into the psychological underpinnings of criminal behaviour, exploring topics such as cognitive processes, personality disorders and forensic psychology. You will analyse case studies and research findings to understand the motivations behind criminal acts and the role of mental health in the legal system.

Law introduces you to the principles and practices of the legal system, including criminal law, criminology and the criminal justice system. You will study key concepts such as legal responsibility, criminal defences and sentencing – gaining a solid foundation in the legal frameworks used to address crime and deviance.

By combining these subjects, you will develop a holistic understanding of crime and deviance, examining its sociological, psychological and legal dimensions. You will hone critical thinking, analytical ability, and research skills, preparing you for further study or careers in fields such as criminology, forensic psychology, law enforcement or legal advocacy.

Where will it take me?

This pathway gives a deep understanding of law and equips you to pursue roles such as criminal defence lawyer, where advocating for client's rights within the legal system is paramount. Alternatively, specialising in criminal law enables you to prosecute offenders as a crown prosecutor, ensuring justice is served.

Forensic psychologists assess and treat offenders, aiding in rehabilitation and risk assessment. Moreover, with a focus on understanding societal structures and behaviours, Sociology opens doors to roles such as a criminal analyst.

These disciplines also intersect in roles such as probation officer, where knowledge of law guides rehabilitation efforts, while Psychology and Sociology inform strategies to support offenders' reintegration into society. A career in this pathway offers a chance to contribute meaningfully to communities, addressing the complexities of crime and deviance through a multidisciplinary lens.

Successful completion of the Crime and Deviance pathway will give you the skills and knowledge to progress on the next step of your academic journey. This can be in Higher Education, in the form of a Degree level course or apprenticeship, or directly into employment in your chosen career.

What will I study?

PSYCHOLOGY

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SOCIOLOGY

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LAW

In A Level Law, you will learn about the fundamental aspects of the English legal systems, exploring exciting elements of criminal and civil law to develop a deep and varied understanding of the laws that govern England. You will also consider how laws are made and applied, and the influence that justice, morality and society have had on the development of English law. You will use your knowledge of the law and landmark legal cases to analyse scenarios and develop a detailed legal argument.

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Career pathways include:

- Psychologist
- Paralegal
- Lawyer
- Criminologist
- Police, Probation, Prison Service

Assessments

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Psychology: You will sit 3 formal examinations.

Sociology: You will sit 3 formal examinations.

Law: You will sit 3 formal examinations.



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EDUCATION PATHWAY

Embarking on the Education pathway with Sociology, Psychology and English Literature offers a multifaceted exploration into the human experience and the mechanisms that shape society and individuals.

Sociology provides insights into the structures, institutions and dynamics of society. Through the study of sociological theories, research methods and key sociological concepts, you will develop an understanding of social phenomena, inequalities and cultural diversity. This knowledge equips future educators with the tools to recognise and address social issues within educational contexts.

Psychology delves into the complexities of the human mind and behaviour. You will examine cognitive processes, developmental psychology, social behaviour and psychological disorders. Understanding psychological principles enhances educators' ability to support students' emotional wellbeing, adapt teaching strategies to individual learning styles and foster positive classroom environments conducive to learning.

English Literature offers a profound exploration of literature's power to illuminate the human condition. By analysing literary works across genres and periods, you will develop critical thinking, communication and empathy. Literature enriches educators' capacity to engage students with diverse perspectives, nurture their creativity and cultivate a love for learning.

Together, these subjects will provide you with a holistic foundation as a future educator, empowering you to navigate the complexities of the classroom with empathy, insight and effectiveness. Through interdisciplinary connections and a deep understanding of society, psychology and literature, educators can inspire students to thrive academically, socially and personally.

Where will it take me?

A career in education offers diverse pathways, enriched by a foundation in English Literature, Psychology and Sociology. English Literature fosters critical analysis, enhancing teaching's storytelling aspect. Psychology provides insight into student behaviour, aiding in creating inclusive learning environments. Sociology, delving into societal structures, aids educators in understanding diverse student backgrounds.

In teaching, you might pursue primary education, shaping young minds through foundational learning. Secondary education offers specialisation in subjects like English, Psychology or Sociology, deepening knowledge in these fields. In addition, special education caters to diverse needs, employing psychological and sociological perspectives for inclusive teaching.

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ENGLISH LITERATURE

Embark on a literary odyssey in English Literature, traversing diverse texts across centuries and genres. The course fosters a profound grasp of literature while refining critical thinking, analysis and writing abilities. Dive into canonical works spanning Shakespearean drama, romantic poetry, Victorian novels and modernist pieces. Engage with literary theory and criticism, exploring various interpretive lenses. Discover how literature mirrors and reacts to cultural shifts, challenging societal norms and values.

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Career pathways include:

Teaching roles such as Primary, Secondary, Further Education or Special Needs Teacher

Education Consultant

Curriculum Developer

Education Policy Analyst

Assessments

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Psychology: You will sit 3 formal examinations.

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GOVERNMENT AND LAW PATHWAY

Studying the Government and Law pathway offers a comprehensive exploration of the structures, systems and historical context that shape societies and governance. This pathway includes Law, History and Politics A Levels, providing you with a multidisciplinary understanding of government, law and society.

In Law, you will delve into the principles, concepts and institutions that underpin the legal system. You will analyse case studies, statutes and legal precedents to develop an understanding of legal reasoning, dispute resolution and the role of law in regulating behaviour and maintaining order.

History offers you the opportunity to explore the evolution of political systems, legal frameworks and societal norms over time. You will investigate key historical events, movements and figures, gaining insights into the development of democracy, governance structures and the rule of law.

Politics equips you with a deep understanding of political ideologies, institutions and processes. You will examine the workings of government, political parties and international relations, while also exploring contemporary issues and debates that shape the political landscape.

You will develop critical thinking, analytical ability, and research skills essential for further study or careers in law, politics, public service or related fields. By engaging with complex ideas and real-world challenges, studying this pathway will empower you to become an informed citizen and an agent of change in society.

Where will it take me?

Law is invaluable for aspiring politicians, policymakers and civil servants, equipping them to navigate complex legal frameworks.

Politics delves into political systems, ideologies and international relations, essential for roles such as political analysts, campaign managers or diplomats.

History is invaluable for policy advisors, historians and journalists, enabling a deep understanding of societal trends and informing policy decisions.

Together, these subjects provide a strong foundation for careers in government, such as MPs, councillors or civil servants. They also pave the way for roles in law, international relations and academia. Whether advocating for change, interpreting laws or preserving history, this pathway offers a rich tapestry of opportunities to influence and shape our world.

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Career pathways include:

Civil Service and Government Departments

Security and Intelligence Services

HM Revenue

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HEALTH PROFESSIONS PATHWAY

Embarking on the Health Professions pathway offers a multidisciplinary approach to understanding human health and wellbeing, integrating insights from psychology, sociology and biology.

Psychology provides foundational knowledge of human behaviour, cognition and mental processes, crucial for understanding patient dynamics, counselling and therapeutic interventions. Sociology complements this by exploring the social inequalities in society, vital for addressing health disparities and promoting equity in healthcare delivery.

Biology delves into the biological underpinnings of health and disease, covering topics such as physiology, anatomy, genetics and pharmacology, essential for comprehending the mechanisms of illnesses, medical treatments and advancements in biotechnology and medicine.

Studying these together will equip you with a holistic understanding of health and illness, preparing you for diverse career opportunities in healthcare, including medicine, nursing, allied health professions, public health and research. It fosters critical thinking, problem-solving, communication, and empathy – essential skills for providing compassionate, evidence-based care and advocating for the health and wellbeing of individuals and communities.

Ultimately, studying this pathway will empower you to make meaningful contributions to improving healthcare outcomes and addressing societal health challenges.

Where will it take me?

With Biology, you can pursue careers in medicine, nursing, research or biotechnology, exploring fields such as genetics, pharmacology and environmental health.

Psychology prepares you for roles in clinical psychology, counselling or neuropsychology, focusing on mental health and wellbeing.

Sociology equips you for careers in public health, social work, policy analysis or community outreach, addressing societal factors influencing health.

Together, these subjects provide a holistic foundation for healthcare professions, forensic sciences, research, policymaking and advocacy, empowering you to make meaningful contributions to individual and community health. Whether in hospitals, research institutions, schools, the criminal justice system or community organisations, the opportunities are vast and impactful.

Successful completion of the Health Professions pathway will give you the skills and knowledge to progress on the next step of your academic journey. This can be in Higher Education, in the form of a Degree level course or apprenticeship, or directly into employment in your chosen career.

What will I study?

BIOLOGY

Embark on an exciting journey with Biology, igniting your passion for life sciences and unravelling the intricacies of our world. Covering eight topics like biological molecules, genetics, ecology and gene technologies, the course blends captivating lectures with hands-on practical sessions. You'll participate in 12 laboratory experiments, exploring biochemical tests, dissections, and organism movement. With a focus on practical skills, we prepare you for future studies and career growth in Biology's experimental realm.

PSYCHOLOGY

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Career pathways include:

- Counsellor
- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Health Service Manager
- Paramedic
- Care Home Manager

Assessments

Each one of the three A Levels that make up the Health Professions pathway is assessed individually:

Biology: You will sit 3 formal examinations.

Psychology: You will sit 3 formal examinations.

Sociology: You will sit 3 formal examinations.



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HOW TO APPLY

1. SUBMIT APPLICATION FORM

To apply for a course, simply submit an application form.

Apply online at www.boston.ac.uk

Your application will be processed by the Admissions Team.

2. APPLICATION REVIEW

After your application has been received and processed, you will have an 'Application Review' with a member of staff from the A Levels Department. The Application Review is a great way of getting to know the College and will give you the chance to discuss the course in more detail.

3. YOUR PLACE

Following your Application Review, you will be sent a letter stating one of the following:

A conditional offer

Offer of a guidance session

4. STUDENT INDUCTION DAY

Your Induction Day in June is the final stage of your application before enrolment in August. This is your opportunity to meet your course tutor and other members of the College staff, take part in activities, familiarise yourself with the College campus and get to know other students on your course.

5. ENROLMENT

Once you have accepted your course offer, you will receive a letter in August inviting you to enrol on a certain date and time. It will provide you with all the information you need to be able to enrol at the College. Enrolment usually takes place at the end of August onwards, with the overall process taking around two hours. Once enrolment has been completed and you have your ID badge, you are an official Boston College student!



HIGHER EDUCATION

APPLYING FOR UNIVERSITY

During tutorials in your second year of study, you will be given the opportunity to apply for university through the UCAS process. Our tutors have many years' experience in helping students get through the application process.

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Through our academic partnership with University of Derby, and additional HNCs, HNDs and HTQs, Boston College is pleased to provide a range of excellent, high-quality courses up to degree and PGCE level locally.



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University Level courses are available in the following course areas:

- ANIMAL STUDIES
- BUSINESS
- CREATIVE ARTS
- DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES
- EARLY YEARS AND SCHOOLS
- ENGINEERING
- HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE
- SPORT, FITNESS AND WELLBEING
- TEACHER TRAINING
- TRAVEL AND TOURISM
- UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICES



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