



English Literature

**ACADEMIC
& APPLIED**

Level 3

A Level Course Leader: **Ms L Russell**

Entry Requirements

- Grade 5 or above in GCSE English Language and English Literature
- A passion for reading and interpreting a wide range of literary text
- An ability to express and develop your ideas
- The ability to complete coursework and exams

Why choose this course?

This is an exciting and interesting course for those with a love of reading. You will develop your interest and enjoyment of literature through reading texts spanning centuries, from the most inspiring contemporary novels to texts written by classic authors of the past. You will develop excellent skills of analysis, but above all you will be inspired by fantastic works of literature.

English students are valued by all higher education institutions and English could take you into a number of quite diverse career paths, including journalism and media, teaching, law, public relations, human resources and many more.

English is a great subject for combining with other areas of study. Taken with humanities subjects such as History, Sociology and Media, English complements and enhances; taken with Sciences and Technology, English adds breadth to your study allowing you to discover and demonstrate range.

Web Links

www.aqa.org.uk

www.universalteacher.co.uk

www.shmoop.com

www.sparknotes.com

What does the course involve?**A level - Two examinations (80%) and coursework (20%)**

(Students who complete AS will already have studied some of the A2 content)

Core content *Love through the Ages, Texts in shared contexts, Independent critical study*

One Shakespeare play, poetry and a prose text

Literature on WWI and its aftermath or Modern times:

literature from 1945 to the present day

Two texts, one of which must have been written pre-1900 leading to an extended essay

Possible career pathway

English could take you to a number of varied careers. These could be as diverse as teaching, local government, journalism, publishing, politics and advertising. The skills you learn are highly adaptable and valued by Higher Education institutions and employers alike.