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Have you considered...?



## Philosophy and Ethics A-Level

### Why study Philosophy as a subject?

Religious Studies challenges preconceptions and delves deeply into controversial issues and promotes a sense of problem solving that is needed in modern life. This allows students to engage with, and be more critical of information they're presented with. There is a strong moral element that encourages students to develop their personal response to key issues facing society in the past, currently and in the future.

Religious Studies is widely accepted as a challenging course which prepares students well for future learning.

### Why study Philosophy at Bishop Ullathorne VI<sup>th</sup> Form?

Religious Studies is the highest achieving subject in the school (70% A\*-B), and well above the national average (51%). It is taught between two experienced teachers who cover each of the three strands in parallel. This prepares students highly effectively for the application of knowledge, cross overs between topics, and a synoptic viewpoint of the course. Students are supported through bridging tasks, early induction tasks as well as tailored support from teachers through regular coaching meetings.

### What career/ future courses might Philosophy prepare me for?

40% of Religious Studies Graduates go into Law and Social Services. Other main areas of study include Journalism, police, Management, Charity/ NGO work, international relations and Psychology.

The top 25 Universities recommend Religious Studies for Degrees such as History, Politics, Law and English.

### Course Content:

#### 1: Philosophy

- Ancient Philosophy
- Existence of God
- Soul, mind and body
- Religious Experience
- Problem of Evil
- Religious Language

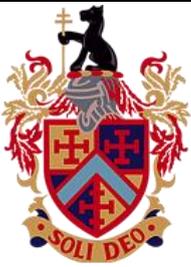
#### 2: Ethics

- Natural Law
- Situation Ethics
- Utilitarianism
- Conscience
- Sexual Ethics

#### 3: Developments in Christian Thought

- Death and Afterlife
- Christian Morals
- Religious Pluralism
- Gender and Society
- Liberation Theology

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*Don't Take our Word for it...*

## **Philosophy Students Say...**

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Philosophy and Ethics gave me the ability to challenge ideas and argue effectively for a point of view. I use these skills to help my progress in other subjects.

Studying Philosophy gave me the ability to reason effectively, question and formulate ideas.

Philosophy and Ethics gives me the essential skills I will need for my further study at University

It is a really interesting subject, much broader and diverse than the GCSE course. I enjoyed Ethics the most, especially Business Ethics, Gender Roles and Feminism

Philosophy is the best subject because it brings together other disciplines like History, Psychology, and Sociology.

I never really understood my own or other people's morals until I studied Ethics

Philosophy is the only subject where the more you learn the less you really know! However, you become able to develop well thought out and reasoned opinions.

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