

# A Level: Religious Studies

## Religious Education

### Course Facts & Figures at a glance...

**Subject Leader**  
Mr Willis

**Course Title**  
A-Level Religious Education

**QAN Code**  
AS: 500/2448/6 A2: 500/2331/7

**Awarding Body**  
EDEXCEL

**Number of Units**  
2 per year

**Unit Titles**  
Foundations  
Investigations

**Number of Entrants Last Year**  
Y12: 29 Y13: 15

**Percentage Pass Rate Last Year**  
Y12: 100% Y13: 100%

**Students with a Religious Studies qualification are seen by employers as more “well-rounded” and “tolerant” young people.**

The high-level skills developed in the subject mean that is viewed favourably by University Admissions Tutors

It is highly valued in the following professions in particular:

*Law  
Nursing  
Medicine  
Teaching  
Business*

### A Level Religious Studies is an extremely popular choice amongst St Julie's students.

Philosophy of Religion comprises a study of philosophical arguments about the existence of God and selected problems in the philosophy of religion.

Ethics comprises a study of ethical concepts and dilemmas. For each of the religions, students explore key issues and emphases in teaching and practice.

There is an enquiry-based approach to teaching and learning.

In each of Year 12 and 13, two of the following areas will be selected for study:

- Philosophy of Religion –arguments for and against God's existence
- Religious Ethics –Situation Ethics; War and Peace
- New Testament –Luke's Gospel
- Christianity and the Christian Church – modern Christian teachings

Students will consider, examine or discuss:

- consequences of holding certain opinions, views or beliefs, including their own
- how a particular belief or value could affect other people, either for good or ill how other people's lives might be affected if a certain belief were widely held or if a certain value were widely applied.

Students will consider implications in terms of how far particular beliefs and values might affect people's understanding or awareness, including their own, of:

- Religion
- Human experience.

Religion in this context may include specific religious individuals, groups or communities, or may refer more generally to the pursuit of religious or spiritual goals that are not unique to a particular religion.

Human experience in this context relates to the wider experience of life that is shared by all people on the basis of their common humanity, and irrespective of any religious beliefs or values that they may hold.