

Welcome to A Levels

Sociology & Psychology Pathway

About this course:

Do you want to delve into the past of human culture and explore the history behind identity and behaviour? This two-year pathway combines Sociology and Psychology A levels while allowing you to achieve a Health and Social Care NCFE Applied General Certificate Level 3.

While studying sociology, you will learn how society has evolved over the centuries and discover the impact media has on our lives. You will also develop an understanding of cultural and identity issues, underpinning social class, gender and ethnicity.

The psychology component is designed to develop your knowledge of psychological approaches, theories, concepts and methods. Research will be a key focus, including statistical tests to interpret data. You'll explore insightful case studies and discuss key debates within psychology.

The Health and Social Care Certificate Level 3 is designed to enable you to access Higher Education and will support progression into the workplace. You will learn about human growth and development, infection prevention and control, and psychological and sociological perspectives. These units will provide you with a clear insight into the world of work through real life placements.

Skills you will gain on this course:

You will gain knowledge and awareness of the social, political and historical forces which shape society. You will develop evaluation and analytical skills, through the examination of theoretical perspectives and their application to both historical and contemporary issues facing individuals and societies. This pathway highlights the importance of applying knowledge and understanding, rather than just acquiring knowledge. This will help you to develop transferable skills such as analysis, evaluation and critical thinking, particularly when considering the findings of psychological research.

Some students' experiences on our A Level Pathways:

Read this article to find out more about our student's experience on this course and how they have found it: <https://keighleycollege.ac.uk/news/a-level-experience>

Next steps after this course:

Many students may go on from this course to study social science and humanities degrees, such as communication, anthropology, politics and criminology. This course can also provide a foundation to pursuing careers in public relations, government, community work or nursing.

Until you arrive at college, keep checking our website, social media and Applicant Hub for updates and even some activities to do before we meet you in September.

