"Light up your world with languages"

URDU

Many businesses need linguists. 77% of British exporters believe they lose business because they can’t speak other languages.

PAST STUDENTS SAY...

When considering employment three-and-a-half years after graduating, modern foreign language graduates have the highest mean salary.

Modern languages can be combined with many other subjects at degree level.

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AS LEVEL

The AS in URDU introduces learners to advanced language studies and provides an engaging and inviting opportunity for learners to build on previous study.

You will:

Main topics of study will be selected from the following themes:

- Youth culture and concerns
- Lifestyle: health and fitness
- The world around us: travel, tourism, environmental issues and the target-language speaking world
- Education and employment

The AS in languages is linear which means that all exams will be taken at the end of the one year course. There are three separate exams:

Speaking:
- Arguing a point of view based on a stimulus card
- Discussion of a sub-theme with the discussion based on a stimulus card

Listening and Reading:
- You will listen to authentic recorded material and have to answer questions in the foreign language.
- You will have to read several authentic texts and answer a range of questions.

Writing:
- You will have to write a 200-220 word letter, report or article based on a short printed stimulus in the target language.

"Don’t be afraid to ask for help from the teachers"

"Languages have a real life application which you don’t see with other subjects"
The A level in Urdu provides an engaging and exciting opportunity for students to build on their previous study of their chosen language.

You will:
Undertake wide research, become aware of and demonstrate understanding of the following:
• key people, events and issues (e.g. demographic, environmental, economic, social, political) that have impacted or are having an impact on a chosen area
• customs, traditions, beliefs and religions.
• A specific period of history of particular relevance to the chosen country
• Key current and recent (21st century/late 20th century) events and issues (e.g. social, cultural and political) and their impact on target-language society.
In-depth study of a substantial target-language text, play or film.

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The A Level in languages is linear which means that all exams will be taken at the end of the two year course. There are two separate exams:

Speaking:  
- Presentation and discussion of independent research project.
- Discussion of a sub-theme with the discussion based on a stimulus card.

Writing:  
- Translation from English into the target language.
- Essay of 240-270 words from a choice of seven titles.
- Research-based essay.

“You live a new life for every new language you speak. If you know only one language, you live only once.”  
– Czech proverb

“Language is the road map of a culture. It tells you where its people come from and where they are going.”  
– Rita Mae Brown

“If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart.”  
– Nelson Mandela