# **OCR A Level Philosophy and Theology**



### Content:

## Philosophy of Religion (Philosophy)

Philosophical language and thought; the existence of God; God and the World; Theological and Philosophical Developments; Religious Language: Negative, Analogical and Symbolic; Religious Language: Twentieth Century perspectives.

#### **Religion and Ethics (Ethics)**

Normative Ethical Theories: Religious Approaches; Normative Ethical Theories: one deontological, one teleological; Applied Ethics: Euthanasia and Business Ethics; Significant Ideas; Developments in Ethical Thought.

#### **Developments in Christian Thought (Theology)**

Theological beliefs and insights: The Human Nature and the Afterlife; Foundations of Christian Belief: Knowledge of God and Christology; Christian living and practice; Developments in Theological Thought; Religion and Society; Contemporary Challenges to Religious Belief.

#### Assessment:

Students will sit three papers at the end of year 13: **Paper 1:** Philosophy of Religion; **Paper 2:** Religious Ethics; **Paper 3:** Developments in Christian Thought.

For each paper, candidates will be required to answer 3 questions from a choice of 4. Questions are essay style and worth 40 marks each.

#### Skills:

Philosophy and Theology develops analytical rigour and the ability to criticise and reason logically. It brings together a wide range of skills and disciplines: historical, textual, linguistic, sociological and literary-critical.

#### Careers

Philosophy and Theology provides an excellent grounding for a wide range of careers.

Students frequently go into professions such as law, journalism, communications, civil service, teaching or academia. Others go on to work for charitable organisations, the civil service, newspapers and local government.