



Thank you for your application to study A Levels at our amazing High Pavement Sixth Form Centre, part of Nottingham College.

We're excited to be welcoming you to Nottingham College this September. Soon you'll be receiving your invitation to one of our enrolment events so that you can secure your place with us. This invitation should be with you early in August.

To help you prepare for A Levels at Nottingham College we have produced some materials and other resources for you. These are for your benefit so please do your best to look through the information relevant to the courses you have applied for. We hope you find them useful in preparing for A Level study. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

TASKS, RESOURCES AND RESEARCH

There are hundreds of sources of news and information that can help prepare you for study on this course. It's important that you keep up to date with current affairs, what's happening locally in the UK but worldwide too.

Mainstream media is currently dominated by news of the ongoing pandemic so make sure you look for less well known media sources that can provide news from different parts of the world.

Please take the time to download and work through our politics task sheet which will provide links to online resources and a number of activities that you can do at home to get you ready for our Politics A Level this September.

LEVEL **UP** for Politics

It's a really interesting and important time to be studying politics.

Government and politics affects every aspect of our lives; our freedoms, our laws and the opportunities we have to succeed in life. At home in the UK debate continues on immigration, the health services and education, against the backdrop of the ongoing global pandemic, and of course Brexit!

In other countries people are fighting for equal rights for women, access to schooling for children and the abolition of dangerous working conditions. This course will help you understand how global politics has developed over the centuries and where we're heading in the future.

You will study the features of government and political systems at local, national and international levels. Topics include: UK Politics, UK Government, core political ideas, American politics and political ideologies including liberalism, feminism, Marxism and nationalism.



The Houses of Parliament, London

A career in Politics

An A Level in Politics opens up a world of study options at degree level. You can choose anything from politics, political science, economics, history, sociology, international relations, conservation or philosophy.

Careers that feature politics heavily in their knowledge and skill sets include journalism, politics, research, marketing and communications, civil service, public service management and international field work.



More about studying at High Pavement

Taking care of you

Our Student Wellbeing team run activities, sessions and programmes to support your wellbeing. They also organise trips, host events and encourage you to get involved in a whole range of activities and movements in College and nationally. So, if you're passionate about the environment, why not join the Green Society, and if you want to champion LGBTQ rights, join our LGBTQ society. If you want to suggest setting something up, we're up for that too!

Who do you talk to?

Your Personal Tutor: if you need help with your course let them know right away.

Achievement Coach: if you are worried about things outside your course and you need to speak to someone, they'll be able to help you. If they can't resolve the issue, they will put you in touch with someone who can.

Careers Adviser: they can help you get advice and information about your next steps, plus work and training options. They can also access a range of support to develop the skills you need to progress to university, and ultimately into employment.

Specialist UCAS Advisers: they are at High Pavement to help with choosing your options, completing your UCAS application, and preparing for interviews. This can be particularly useful in preparing for Oxbridge, or those more difficult to access application processes, such as for medicine and veterinary science.

Student Services: if you need to talk to someone confidentially to discuss money or get some health advice, they are here for you.

Sports and activities

Love sport? You could take part in sports clubs and inter-college competitions. If you want to relax, we host stress-busting sessions to help you with your studies. We also have a wide range of sports on offer for beginners, plus activities such as British Sign Language and driving theory skills. Our specialist sports academies offer dedicated training in different sports, with the opportunity to gain coaching qualifications alongside your studies. You could even be in with the chance to apply for USA university sports scholarships. Find out more on our website.