





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

Our Sociology team has produced a <u>Sociology A Level booklet</u> providing lots of resources, tools and references to help you prepare for study at A Level.

The booklet also contains a series of tasks that wil get you thinking, stimulate debate and help you get ready for this exciting and interesting course.

Please download and complete the booklet (print it if possible) and bring it with you on your first day.



LEVEL UP for Sociology

Sociology is the study of society and the communities which make up our world. Why do certain groups of people behave in a certain way, how does this impact their lives and who ultimately benefits?

Have you ever wondered what the full story is behind the important issues in our society? Perhaps you feel like there is more to what you read in the news or what you see on TV? Or perhaps you are curious why there are certain injustices or inequalities in our society? On this course you will learn how to investigate these kinds of questions for yourself, gaining a wide variety of really valuable skills that can be applied to almost any career.

You'll study key concepts such as power, gender, ethnicity and culture, as well as mass media, education, crime, deviance and religion. You'll learn to question and challenge ideas and assumptions, critically examine evidence, and experience lots of discussion and debate.



A career in Sociology

The research, study and written skills you'll develop throughout the course will be an excellent foundation for university and your future career.

You could progress to a related higher education course such as sociology, politics, social policy, criminology, anthropology and development studies.

There are lots of careers open to you such as social worker, counsellor, probation officer, teacher, charity worker or housing officer.



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.