

Shoreham Academy Politics department: 2 year curriculum map

Topic	Lessons	Content	Skills
<b>1A) UK politics</b>	Approximately; 15 weeks/ 60 hours (Autumn 1+2)	The political landscape and how democracy functions in the UK. i. Democracy and Participation ii. Political Parties of the UK and their functions iii. Electoral systems iv. Voting behaviour and the media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ao1: Knowledge and understanding;</b> the ability to demonstrate a deep and thorough understanding of the content, and explain aspects of the course such as; the functions of institutions; the ways democracy manifest in the UK and present political issues. This underpins the ability to make analysis and judgements (Ao2, Ao3)</li> <li>• <b>Ao2: Analysis;</b> the ability to weigh up different arguments, compare similarities and differences between aspects of institutions/ ideas, and link together different political ideas.</li> <li>• <b>Ao3: Evaluation;</b> Using the previous AOs to reach substantiated conclusions and created judgements using the preceding evidence and debate.</li> </ul>
<b>1B) Core Political Ideas</b>	Spring 1.	The Core ideas, figures and development of the three main political ideas in the western world.  i. Liberalism ii. Conservatism iii. Socialism	
<b>2A) UK Government and</b>	Spring 2/ Summer 1	The Institutions, functions and procedures of the UK's government. i. The constitution ii. Parliament iii. Prime Minister and executive iv. Relations between the branches.  Also a last, non-core political idea from the following list (one); i. Anarchism ii. Ecologism iii. Feminism iv. Multiculturalism v. Nationalism	
<b>2B) Non-core idea.</b>	Summer 1	Also a last, non-core political idea from the following list (one); i. Anarchism ii. Ecologism iii. Feminism iv. Multiculturalism v. Nationalism	
<b>3A) US US Politics (comparative)</b>	Summer 2 <b>2<sup>nd</sup> year:</b> Autumn 1+2 Spring 1.	The Government and Politics of the USA, with a focus on comparing it to the UK; i. The US Constitution and federalism ii. US Congress iii. US presidency iv. US Supreme Court and US civil rights v. US democracy and participation vi. Comparative theories.	