



Loreto
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SOCIAL SCIENCES



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The Social Science Faculty offers a broad curriculum at A level from Psychology to Classical Civilisation and BTEC courses in Travel and Tourism and Health and Social Care. The faculty is known for its outstanding teaching, support given to all students and excellent results.

Catherine Poole,
Head of Faculty



PSYCHOLOGY

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“MY TIME AT LORETO HAS TAUGHT ME TO BE THE VERY BEST OF ME. THE SUPPORT I WAS GIVEN AND MY AMAZING TEACHERS HAVE TAUGHT ME THAT WHEN I PUT MY MIND TO IT, I CAN DO ANYTHING. THANK YOU LORETO!”

Laeticia Tavares Barro,
Psychology Academic Ambassador

A level Psychology is the scientific study of the human mind and behaviour. Psychological research aims to understand all aspects of human behaviour and apply findings to benefit individuals in society.

Research in Psychology seeks to understand mental health treatment, and many other areas affecting health and daily life. Topics include: social influence, memory, attachment, psychopathology, bio psychology and research methods.

The Psychology department offers a wide range of extracurricular activities including talks, Psychology Book Club, World Mental Health Day event and visits to London. Students have also had the opportunity to go on a fantastic trip to San Francisco where they visited Alcatraz and Stanford University, site of Professor Zimbardo's infamous experiment.

Psychology students develop a wide range of skills including research, evaluation and extended writing.

As Psychology is the study of the mind and behaviour, it can be used in many careers that require knowledge of how people think and react, such as: Clinical Psychology, Forensic Psychology, Health Psychology, Sports Psychology, Physiotherapy, Social Work, Marketing, Occupational Psychology, Nursing and Medicine.

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TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO



TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO, 2019



ACCOUNTING

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A level Accounting helps students to understand the responsibilities of the Accountant and the impact of their recommendations on the business and the wider environment.



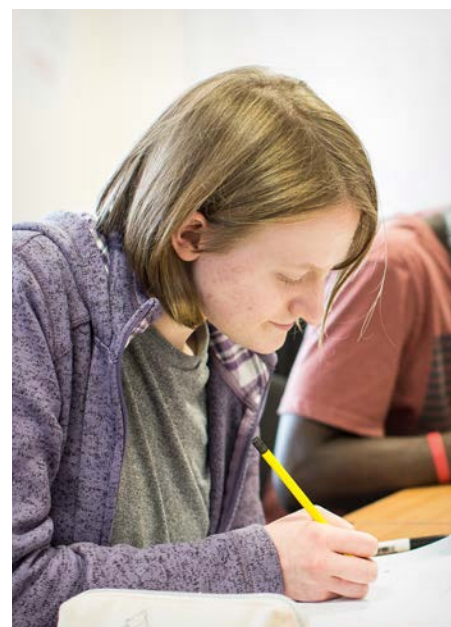
Students will build knowledge and understanding of key concepts, principles and techniques that they can apply to real-life scenarios, developing the ability to solve problems logically, analyse data methodically, make reasoned choices and communicate effectively. Throughout the course a variety of accounting problems are encountered, as is the interpretation of accounting statements, reports, tables, graphs and charts.



TRAVEL AND TOURISM

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The BTEC Level 3 in Travel and Tourism is ideal for students seeking employment in the tourism industry such as cabin crew, travel agencies and tour operators.



Students learn about the role of different types of employment in the tourist industry including airline cabin crew, personal presentation standards, customer care and team working.

During this course students learn to work both independently and as part of a team through group work activities, role-plays and presentations. Students also develop communication and research skills.

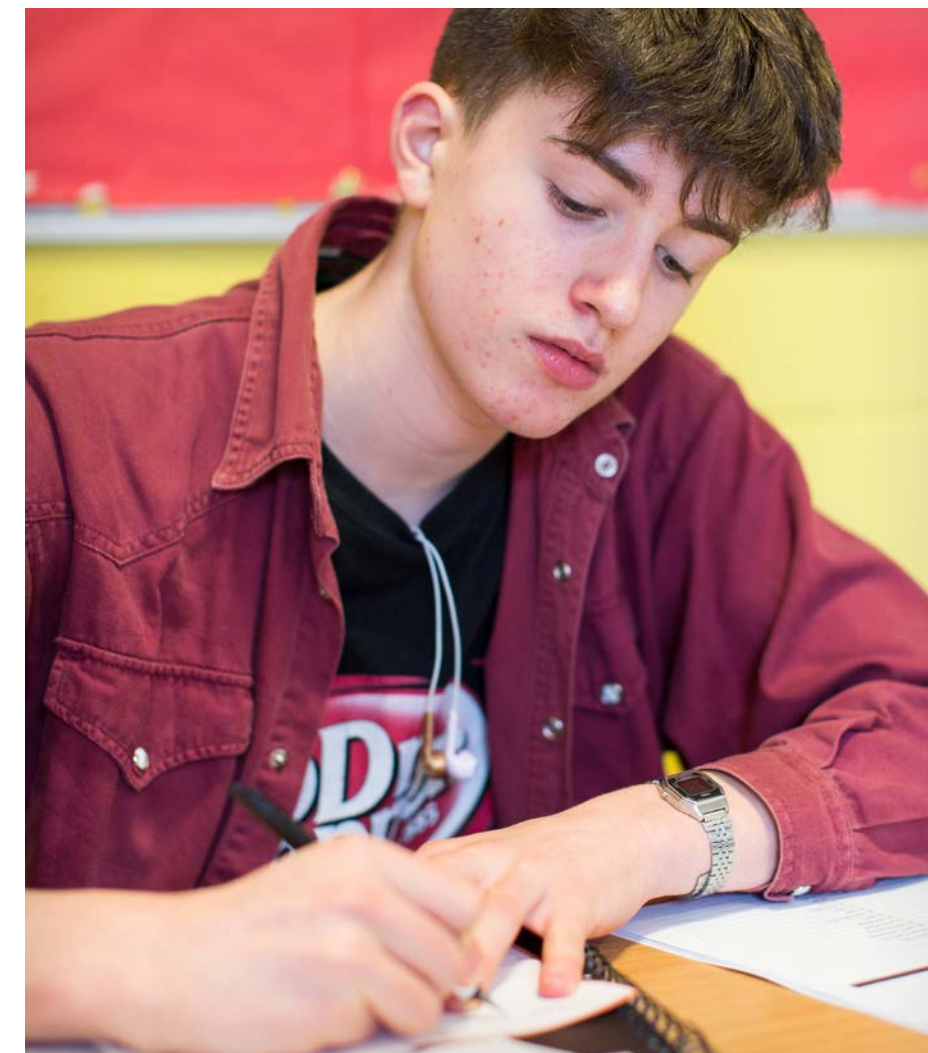
Students typically progress to university and then on to careers in the travel and tourism industry. Some students decide to progress directly to employment. Possible careers include airline cabin crew, overseas representative, tour operator, travel agent and roles in the cruise and hotel industries.

Travel and Tourism students also experience a variety of study visits including local, national and international destinations. Residential visits have included Barcelona, Mallorca, Amsterdam and Madrid. UK visits have included Chester Zoo, London and the Lake District.



BUSINESS

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Business is an exciting, dynamic subject that involves studying how and why business decisions are made.

A LEVEL BUSINESS

You will explore the main functions of a business (such as finance, human resources and marketing) and look at how businesses might be affected by the external environment. It is one of the most varied and interesting subjects available and is very well regarded by both employers and universities. Business would be a great course choice for any student considering a professional career or running a business.

You will develop an understanding of how organisations operate and will develop strong oral and written communication skills. In addition, you will develop analytical and critical thinking

skills, problem solving, decision making, logical thinking, presentation and report writing skills. 10% of the course is quantitative, so numerical skills are developed throughout the course.

Many of our students go on to study Business related courses at degree level and progress to careers in business management, accounting and finance, marketing and advertising, the financial services, public relations or management consultancy.

The Business Department also runs various trips and extracurricular activities, such as enterprise events.

APPLIED BUSINESS

Applied Business is a vocational qualification which offers the opportunity to discover more about how businesses are run and operate. Students gain hands-on experience and have the opportunity to focus on specific topics such as human resources, marketing, accounting and business planning, and learn and develop skills for employment.

The course offers a balanced range of assessment methods including both coursework and exams and can also lead to further study in Business related fields at university.



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ENTERPRISE EVENTS



CLASSICAL CIVILISATION

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A level Classical Civilisation is the study of the literature and art of ancient Greece and Rome, including the epic poets Homer and Virgil, and the art and sculpture of ancient Greece.

By reading Greek and Roman literature in translation and studying Greek art and sculpture, we also learn about Greek and Roman life including: society, politics, marriage, entertainment, archaeology, warfare, gender roles, mythology and relationships.

Classical Civilisation will support students interested in a wide range of different careers, including roles in journalism, business, archaeology, law, architecture, international affairs and politics.

The Department organises a range of enrichment opportunities including talks and visits. Classical Civilisation students also have the opportunity to take part in a study tour to Greece. Students explore the ancient Acropolis with its sanctuary to Athene, visit Agamemnon's capital at the Bronze Age citadel Mycenae, as well as the sanctuary of Apollo at Delphi.

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STUDY TOUR TO GREECE



ANCIENT ACROPOLIS



GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

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A level Government and Politics is for students seeking the opportunity to study how government and politics works in the UK and the USA, and who wish to understand the ideas that shape decision-making and the complex world we live in today. A level Politics also gives students the opportunity to study political ideas such as socialism and feminism.



A level Government and Politics is a subject that can lead to degrees and careers in law, journalism and other professions. Many students go on to study related subjects at university such as American Studies, Social Science or Public Policy. Past students have gone on to work as Parliamentary Researchers in the House of Commons, in the Civil Service in departments such as the Home Office, and even the US Congress.

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TRIPS TO USA AND GERMANY

In previous years **History** and **Government and Politics** students have visited the East Coast of the USA, including New York, Philadelphia and Washington DC whilst another visit took them to the German capital Berlin.



READY TO VISIT ELLIS ISLAND



THE WHITE HOUSE



HISTORY

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A level History is a challenging and rewarding course. In your time at Loreto you will evaluate the tension between the USSR and the West in the Cold War that threatened to bring the world to nuclear annihilation, but which also drove mankind to uncharted territories of science in the race for space.

You will also understand the development of society and politics in British society since the mid 19th Century, whether it be women's suffrage, the rights of the working class, or the changing status of Britain as a nation. History at Loreto will leave you with a better understanding of the world we live in today.

History is taught in a variety of styles. Lessons focus on debate and analysis to support examination techniques, underpinned by independent research and reasoning. Learning is supported by dedicated staff and enriched through a growing History Society which celebrates a love of the subject with discussion

groups on film, guest speakers and student lectures and debates. In addition, the History Department takes History outside of the classroom with visits to local historical sites, links to universities, and with trips to places such as Berlin to enrich your learning and enjoyment of the subject.

History is a highly respected academic course, looked upon favourably by universities and employers from a range of sectors who recognise that a successful History student is self-disciplined, analytical, well-informed and is able to evaluate information in a critical manner to reach conclusions.



ECONOMICS

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A level Economics is a traditional, academic subject which studies how governments seek to make the best use of scarce resources.

Economics is split into two broad areas: microeconomics and macroeconomics.

In studying microeconomics you will learn about how price is determined by the interaction of supply and demand, how changes in price will affect incentives, and what happens when the market fails to allocate resources to the provision of goods, where there is a clear and obvious demand.

Macroeconomics looks at what constitutes a healthy economy, such as high levels of employment and low rates of inflation. It looks at the benefits of a healthy economy and analyses the policies open to government to influence the macroeconomic environment.

The Economics Department takes part in a range of different activities to support students including attending revision conferences.



Many of our students leave College to take up places at Russell Group universities including Oxford, Cambridge and LSE with many Economics graduates gaining employment in commerce and banking (and some securing roles within the City of London itself).

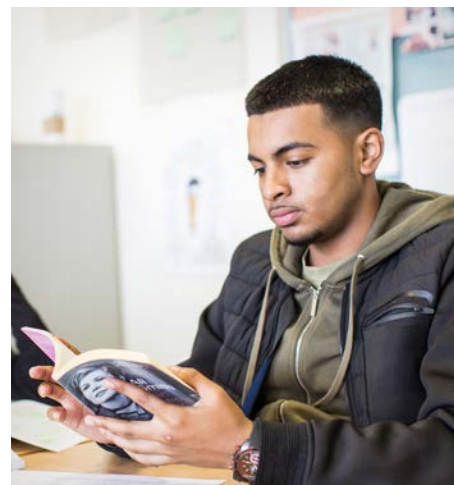
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REVISION CONFERENCES



APPLIED CRIMINOLOGY

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The Level 3 Extended Certificate in Criminology is equivalent to one A level. This is an exciting course aimed at developing your knowledge and understanding of a wide range of crimes and work done in the criminal justice system.

Criminology is the scientific study of crime and criminals. The course covers a wide variety of crime related topics including biological and sociological theories of criminality, media representations of crime and many more. You will have the opportunity to acquire both practical and

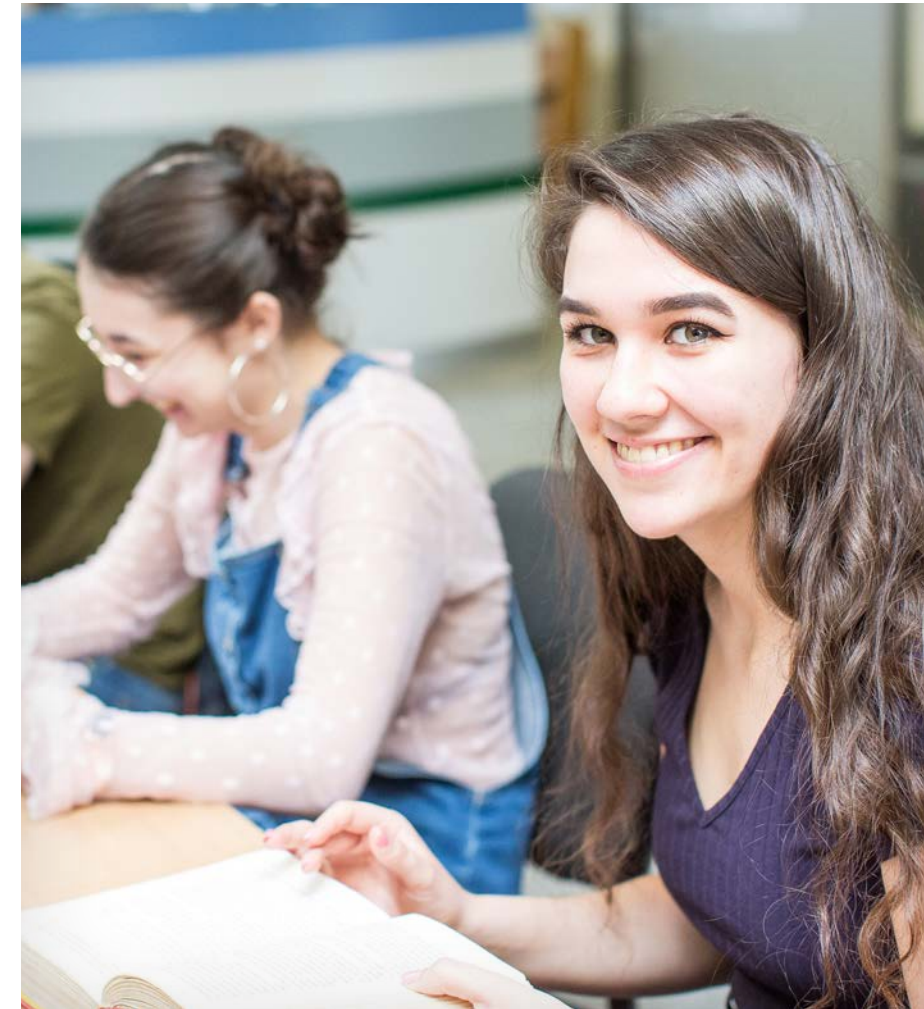
academic skills, and the flexibility of the course enables you to study crimes you find personally interesting.

This course could lead to a wide range of careers including in policing, the probation service and the courts.



LAW

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A level Law gives students an insight into the laws of England and Wales, including the study of the legal system, how laws are made, criminal law (including murder and manslaughter), tort law (including negligence and nuisance), concepts of law and the law of human rights.

As part of this course you will learn to “think like a lawyer” and apply legal rules to the facts. You will also develop your ability to critically analyse and evaluate legal concepts, institutions and processes.

Many of our A level Law students go on to study Law at Russell Group Universities and to pursue careers in the legal profession as Solicitors and Barristers. Others go on to undertake legal apprenticeships or degrees in other Social Science subjects. Law is also a great A level to prepare students for a wide variety of careers including

roles in business, the civil service, local government, banking and finance.

Law students have the opportunity to take part in the prestigious Bar National Mock Trial Competitions, and attend talks from a variety of guest speakers from universities, law schools and law firms.

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PRESTIGIOUS BAR NATIONAL MOCK TRIAL COMPETITIONS

“MY FAVOURITE MEMORY WOULD HAVE TO BE PARTICIPATING IN THE BAR MOCK TRIAL ALONGSIDE THE LAW SOCIETY. IT IMPROVED MY CONFIDENCE AND TAUGHT ME HOW TO THINK QUICKLY ON MY FEET.”

Monica Sultana



SOCIOLOGY

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A Level Sociology provides students with an opportunity to explore the social world in further depth, examining the impact of social change and policy making on individual experiences.

Students follow the Eduqas specification and study five key units: Families and Households, Education, Crime and Deviance, Social Inequality and Research Methods. This provides opportunities for detailed discussions and insights into a changing world and to examine differences in relation to social class, age, gender and ethnicity.

Students will develop a broad range of analytical and interpretative skills and learn to structure and write detailed essays which show evidence of debate and evaluation.

Students who study Sociology pursue careers in a wide range of different areas including education, the police, social work, media and journalism, advertising, criminal justice work and public relations.



“**WRITING A MAGAZINE ARTICLE WITH THE SOCIOLOGY SOCIETY HAS MADE ME FEEL FULLY EQUIPPED TO PURSUE MY CAREER IN WRITING.**”

Nicola Miles



THEOLOGY, PHILOSOPHY AND ETHICS

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A level Theology, Philosophy and Ethics explores some of the biggest questions that humans ask: what is the purpose of life, is there a God and is there really such a thing as free will?

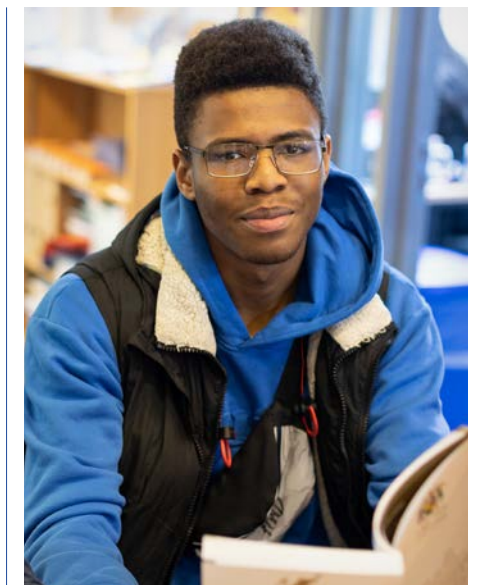
These are just some of the questions that you will explore as you study some of the most influential thinkers of the last 2500 years.

Students on the course develop the ability to analyse a range of opposing ideas and concepts alongside the skills of critical evaluation and how to draw reasoned and persuasive conclusions. Students also develop their communications skills through class discussions and debate.

Some students go on to study directly related degrees such as Theology or

Philosophy. It is an excellent complementary subject for any humanities degree such as Psychology, Sociology or History. Many students take the subject alongside Science or Maths and go on to Science degrees.

The Department brings in expert speakers to run conferences for our students to enrich knowledge and understanding. Students have the opportunity to take part in a trip to Greece where they explore the traditional home of Philosophy.



HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

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Students can study Health and Social Care as an extended diploma, equivalent to three A levels or as an extended certificate, which is equivalent to one A level.

Loreto's BTEC Health and Social Care courses help students develop a range of skills, from practical to interpersonal and thinking skills. Students will also practise research skills and methodology. Some of the courses require placement experience and we have a wide range of different settings for students to help develop their skills including:

- Residential care homes
- Primary schools
- Pupil referral units
- Nurseries
- Hospital work placements
- Midwifery placements
- Nursing homes
- Secondary schools

Health and Social Care runs a number of extra activities to help students during their studies and to support them in deciding their chosen career. These include nutrition events, talks from health care professionals and university visits.

A number of students go on to university to do a range of degree courses including Nursing, Social Work, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, Psychology, Sociology and Law.

“**BECOMING A SUBJECT AMBASSADOR FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE ALLOWED ME TO FEEL MORE OF A PART OF THE COLLEGE.**”

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