

COWLEY

SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

A-LEVEL

GERMAN

Teaching staff

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Overview

This course has been designed to give you a profound understanding of German. Not only will you know more about the mechanics of the language- such as grammar and vocabulary –but also about how people live and use language on a day-to-day basis.

In the first year, you will study current trends in society and cultural aspects of your target language country and in the second year, this will develop into political and social change. You will also study literature and film in the target language. Whenever possible, our students are encouraged to go to the country of the language they are studying. We have very good links with Stuttgart.

What to expect in lessons

You will have 9 lessons over a fortnight and they will be balanced to cover your skill development in listening, reading, writing and speaking in the context of the topics. Lessons are pacy, varied and always focussing on topical, relevant issues.

There will be opportunities throughout the two year course to take part in trips to target language countries as well as apply for work experience abroad. In addition, we have partner town links and opportunities to link up with students in the TL country and schools in the cities we are linked with.

Support

You will have access to online resources, including a fully resourced online package called Kerboodle which has access to online text book and resources for revision, examination practice and skills development.

You will benefit from extensive support and guidance throughout your time on the course. The team at Cowley have many years of experience.. We know how to build on and develop your skills from GCSE, achieve a sound basis for further study and help you gain an insight into German speaking countries and their culture (Germany, Austria, Switzerland).

Equipment that you will need

A good quality German dictionary (Oxford-Collins)



Learning a language is really good for getting an insight into other cultures as well as your own. I've enjoyed the discussions we have had within each topic.

The smaller class sizes are beneficial and the class environment is more relaxed.



Progression

Apart from being beneficial on a personal level, your A level in German is useful in many career paths and will enhance your employability greatly.

For those who want to specialise in languages, there is teaching and translating. Or maybe you want to work in the tourism industry – but even as a designer, lawyer, engineer or doctor, being proficient in a foreign language will give you much broader career options.

Students find that MFL is a natural fit with many other subjects, enabling them to use their skills and qualifications to access career opportunities at home and abroad.