

# A Level German

Examination Board: AQA

## Aims of the Course

The course aims to further develop a range of practical language skills already learned at GCSE, to enable students to better understand and communicate in written and spoken German. It has been designed to motivate and engage students in their learning of the language and will also stimulate their interest in and awareness of, the society and culture of the German-speaking world. It provides opportunities for students to develop their communication, critical thinking and creative skills and focuses on how the German-speaking society has been shaped both socially and culturally. It is designed to meet the future needs of candidates in terms of employment and entry requirements for further study. There is the opportunity to take part in a work-placement exchange with our partner school in Osnabrück, Gesamtschule Schinkel, during Year 12, which is a highly valuable opportunity to develop speaking skills and cultural knowledge, and an outstanding addition to students' CVs.

## Programme of Study

At **Year 12** students will study:

### Social Issues and Trends

Aspects of German-speaking society

### Artistic Culture

Artistic culture in the German-speaking world

### Literary texts and films

## Grammar

Students will also develop their ability to translate in and out of German, as well as deepen their grammatical knowledge, setting them a solid foundation for university and beyond.

At **Year 13 Level** students will study:

### Social Issue and Trends

Multiculturalism in German-speaking society

### Political and Artistic Culture

Aspects of politics in the German-speaking world

### Individual Research Project

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## Who is this course aimed at?

In addition to linguistic ability, students should have an interest in the cultural aspects of the German-speaking world. The course is suitable for students who are interested in pursuing a career with an international dimension, as well as those who understand the importance of language skills in the competitive global economy. Language skills are highly-valued by many employers in Derby and beyond, such as Rolls-Royce, and open up endless employment opportunities both in this country, and worldwide.