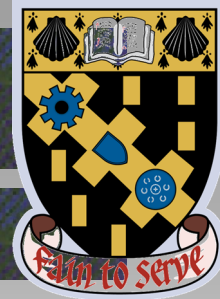


Humanities



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Geography

If you choose Geography, you will develop skills using a variety of contexts which will explore aspects of physical and human Geography, allowing you to make links between people and place. Topics studied will broaden and deepen your understanding of current geographical issues. You will learn to apply your knowledge and understanding as you are challenged to analyse and evaluate information and create solutions to the ever increasing variety and complexity of global issues. You will study a variety of topics including Scotland's landscapes and tourism opportunities, Brazilian shanty towns, deforestation in the Amazon, extreme weather, volcanoes, earthquakes, tsunamis, population change, river features, global health, and climate change. Through these topics you will develop an understanding of our important role as global citizens. Geography is also a great subject to partner with any other Humanities option as you will develop complimentary skills in each one and there are natural links between topics, such as health and social inequalities in Modern Studies.

History

If you choose History, you will study different topics while developing analytical, evaluative and investigative skills. This will broaden and deepen your understanding of Global, National and Local Histories by exploring a range of issues in Scotland, Britain, and the wider world such as: the impact and aftermath of The Great War from 1914-1918; the causes and consequences of the industrial revolution and how it developed our nation from 1760-1900; the turbulent progress of race relations in the USA and how black Americans fought for freedom and equality after slavery had ended. You will also have the opportunity for personalisation as you choose an issue to study in depth which will stimulate debate and argument. Inter-disciplinary working will occur where appropriate as you apply your knowledge and skills in other areas of the curriculum, such as participation our Remembrance program. History is also a great subject to partner with any other Humanities option as you will develop complementary skills in each one.

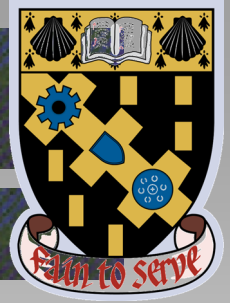
Modern Studies

If you choose Modern Studies, you will develop analytical, reasoning and communication skills using a variety of contexts which will explore aspects of modern day life in Scotland & the UK as well as the wider world. This will broaden and deepen the understanding of issues such as: Scotland's political system and its place within the UK; the causes and consequences of crime in Scotland and the UK; the criminal justice system; and the ways in which crime is being tackled. You will also carry out an in depth study of social, economic and political aspects of the types, causes, impacts and responses to global terrorism. You will also have the opportunity for personalisation as you choose an issue to study in depth which will invite debate and discussion. Through this you will have opportunities to experience challenge and application as you further develop and apply your knowledge and skills in a new context. Natural links will also be made with the other Humanities courses where appropriate, such as political doctrines influencing decisions affecting the natural world in Geography and viewpoints on current conflicts being influenced by past conflicts in History.

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RMPS

In S1, you will be introduced to what studying Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies (RMPS) is all about, we will do this by exploring stories and traditions of the 6 world religions before moving to investigate ancient mythology. You will be practicing key RMPS skills, which will help you to identify similarities and differences between these. When you move to S2, we build on the knowledge and skills learned in S1 to explore Ultimate Questions, in particular we will look at questions about creation and life after death. You will learn about a variety of religious and non-religious responses to these questions and will continue to develop your RMPS skill set during this unit. In S3 and moving into S4, RMPS becomes a core subject which will be on your timetable. This is when we use the skills developed in S1 and S2 in order to work towards achieving a National 4 award in RMPS. The units you will study to achieve this are; Judaism, Morality and Conflict, Origins and the Added Value Unit. Success in core RMPS is a great way to continue your pathway toward choosing RMPS and Philosophy in S5 and S6.

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