

Course title: English Literature A Level AQA (Block D)

Academic year:	2024
Course Venues:	King Edwards VI High School
Course Type:	A level
Course Code:	12DKeEL1
Duration:	2 years

Course Description: English Literature encompasses a very broad range of texts and ideas. It offers students an opportunity to hone their skills of analysis and argument, as well as challenging them to question their own ideas and those of others. You will bring your own passion for literature and enjoyment of the subject to your studies.

Course Content: Study of poetry, prose and drama on the linked theme of ‘Love through the Ages’. Six whole texts and a variety of prose and poetry extracts are studied. In addition to the two externally assessed exams students will also complete a 2500 word independent study, critically comparing two texts. This work is not completed under exam conditions, and constitutes 20% of the final award for the qualification.

Entry requirements: The standard entry criteria to study in the sixth form is an 9-4 in at least seven different subjects, including English and mathematics, which would usually be at grade 4 or above.

To study other subjects already taken at GCSE you must achieve at least a grade 5 or above in that subject.

Assessment:

Financial Information: Students will be asked to buy copies of the set texts. Theatre visits and trips take place during the course.

Future opportunities: English Literature is highly regarded by both universities and employers, who recognise students who have studied the subject, are articulate, fluent thinkers able to discuss and debate issues. Students can progress to university and then to careers in teaching, journalism, the media, law, marketing and corporate business.

You could take this course to complement other advanced level courses which could lead onto higher education in English related studies or more general higher education courses. With further training, you could go into other careers related to English Literature such as: a journalism, teaching and creative writing. The course will also help you develop the skills, understanding and knowledge that many employers across lots of industries are looking for.

Further information: To find out more about this qualification, contact us or school/college careers staff.

