

# SOCIOLOGY

**Sociology is the science of society, social institutions, and social relationships; specifically, the study of the development and collective behaviour of organised groups. In A Level Sociology we learn about Education, Families, Crime and Beliefs in society. We have a lot of discussion based activities as well as applying our knowledge to current world news. We carry out small-scale research projects to develop skills in Research methods. There is no coursework in Sociology.**

AS level Subject content	Full A level Subject content
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Education-</b> policies, class structure, subcultures</li> <li>- <b>Methods-</b> applying sociological theory to education and families</li> <li>- <b>Research methods-</b> how sociologists conduct research, links to social policy, data analysis</li> <li>- <b>Family's &amp; Households</b> –social structure, changing patterns in households, nature of childhood</li> </ul> <p><b>Examined through 2 1½ hour exams in the summer term</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>All of the AS content</b></li> <li>- <b>Crime and Deviance-</b> globalisation of crime, prevention, social distribution of crime</li> <li>- <b>Theories and methods-</b> Practical considerations in research, positivism, nature of sociology as a science</li> <li>- <b>Beliefs in Society-</b> ideology, religious organisations, cults, secs, new age movements</li> </ul> <p><b>Examined through 3 2 hour exams in the summer term</b></p>

## What can I expect from Sociology at Thomas mills?

Sociology is a brand new course at Thomas Mills. It has been brought in to complement the other Social Sciences at this centre. It will be taught by qualified specialists of Social Science. All students will get up to date research, key resources and experienced taught lessons to ensure the best outcome for every student on this course.

## What kinds of jobs do Sociology students get after University?

Social Work and Community work, Health Sector, Education, Administration, Management and Human Resources , Marketing and Business management, Police and Forensic work, Advice worker, Community development worker, Family support worker, International aid/development worker, Social researcher

## Here's what a Cambridge University graduate says about Studying Sociology:

“  
Sociology offers a breadth of subject matter that any other field in the sciences or humanities will struggle to match. Once you graduate, you'll be able to be your own supervisor because, after critique and critique, you'll have learnt how to think. ”

Rupert Russell, Sociology graduate now doing research at Harvard