

PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION AND ETHICS

Virtual open evening
November, 2020

WELCOME AND PLAN

- Thank you for joining me. I will try to answer all your questions this evening. However, if you have any more questions then please feel free to contact me at any time.
- Course overview
- Transferable skills
- Future careers
- Questions and answers



COURSE OVERVIEW

- The course has 3 elements. The elements are equally weighted.

- **Philosophy of Religion**

Plato, Aristotle, Descartes, arguments for the existence of God, the problem of evil, religious language and the nature of the divine.

- **Ethics**

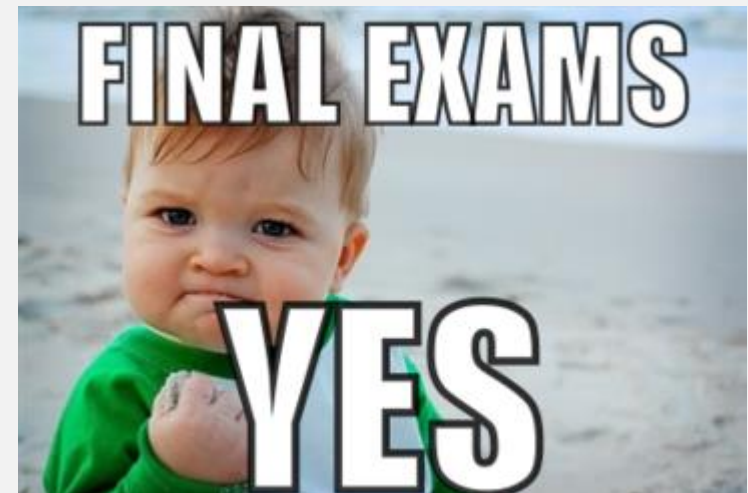
Kant and the categorical imperative, Utilitarianism, Situation ethics, natural law, meta ethics, conscience, business ethics and sexual ethics

- **Developments in Christian thought**

The afterlife, The person of Jesus, Christian morality, gender and society, liberation theology, the challenge of secularism, Christian moral action

COURSE OVERVIEW

- The course is assessed through three examinations at the end of Year 13.
- Each examination is worth 33% of the final grade.
- Each examination is two hours long.
- Students will be asked to write three essays (from a choice of four questions) in each examination.



TRANSFERABLE SKILLS AND FUTURE CAREERS

- Critical thinking, evaluation, logic and the construction of logical arguments, problem solving.
- Research and communication skills including project work, essay writing and verbal communication skills.
- The Philosophy A level is a highly desirable qualification (as is the degree) because the above skills are valued by a wide range of employers.
- Law, banking and business, medicine, the armed forces, counselling, education, public relations to name but a few.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Who teaches the course?
- How many lessons a week?
- How many hours outside the classroom will I be expected to put in to succeed?
- What are the results like? Are you any good?
- What can they be doing after their GCSE examinations to prepare for the course?
- What if they my son/daughter did not take the subject at GCSE?
- What grades do they require to get on the course?

Any other questions?