

<p>Subject Description</p>	<p>You can change the World and Modern Studies will give you the tools to do it! Modern Studies is a combination of Politics, Sociology and International Relations. Taking Modern Studies in S3 will give you knowledge and understanding of the World you live in right now, how it affects you and how you can influence it.</p> <p>In Modern Studies we also develop your skills to use the knowledge that you gather effectively and help you to interpret all the information coming at you across different media platforms.</p> <p>Issues that we cover include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How does change happen in a democracy? How can I influence decision making? What is the role of pressure groups? What is Terrorism and how do Governments respond? What is the impact of terrorism on our daily lives? What causes terrorism? Why is the USA so powerful? Why does the USA still use the death penalty? Should US citizens be allowed to openly carry a gun? <p>The main aims of this Course are to enable pupils to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To engage as active and informed local and global citizens To have an appreciation of the changing nature of modern society and its challenges To understand and respect human rights and responsibilities To understand the democratic process and the ways in which people can participate in society To have an awareness of social and economic issues at national and international level To understand different political views, systems and theories To be aware of the nature and processes of conflict resolution at all levels. <p>◆</p>
<p>Course Content</p>	<p>Topics explored include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Democracy in the UK: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The rights and responsibilities of citizens. The process of making change in a democracy. B. A World Issue: Terrorism <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Causes, Consequences and Responses C. A World Power: The USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Controversial Issues in the USA: Gun Control, The Death Penalty

<p>Progression & Pathways</p>	<p>Many employers recognise Modern Studies for a wide variety of careers including: Teaching, law, civil service, the Home Office, police, social work, journalism, local Government, media, international relations, UN and EU careers, public relations. After completing the S3 course, Modern Studies may be continued to National 4/5, Higher and Advanced Higher level</p> <p>Current and Former pupils are currently working as:</p> <table data-bbox="464 427 1516 656"> <tr> <td>Lawyers</td> <td>Media Consultants to</td> </tr> <tr> <td>political parties</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Standing for election as councillors</td> <td>Members of the Scottish Youth</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Parliament</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>In the Police Force</td> <td>Aid Workers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Political Academics</td> <td>Social Workers</td> </tr> </table> <p>Degree Pathways: Law, Politics, Sociology, International Relations, Economics</p>	Lawyers	Media Consultants to	political parties		Standing for election as councillors	Members of the Scottish Youth	Parliament		In the Police Force	Aid Workers	Political Academics	Social Workers
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