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COURSE OVERVIEW

Faculty of Social Sciences

15-17yrs



 Dukes Cambridge



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Ages: 15-17

Duration: 2 weeks

At a Glance

Understanding Society, Shaping the Future

At the Faculty of Social Sciences, you will delve into the intricate workings of society, exploring disciplines such as sociology, psychology, political science, and economics. Over two weeks, this programme offers a comprehensive look at how individuals, communities, and nations interact and how these interactions influence everything from policy-making to cultural norms.

The curriculum is designed to challenge your perceptions and broaden your understanding of the world around you. You'll engage with key concepts in social theory, analyse current events through a critical lens, and explore the impact of social, political, and economic systems on everyday life. Whether you're interested in social justice, governance, or human behaviour, this programme will help you develop a well-rounded perspective on the forces that shape our world.

What sets the Faculty of Social Sciences apart is its focus on applying theory to real-world issues.

You'll participate in debates, research projects, and case studies that allow you to investigate social problems and propose solutions. These practical experiences are designed to enhance your analytical skills and provide you with the tools to effect positive change in society.

Collaboration and discussion are central to the learning experience here. You'll work closely with your peers in group projects, engage in lively debates, and receive guidance from experienced educators who are passionate about social science. These interactions help you to develop the communication and teamwork skills that are crucial for any career in this field.

Studying at the Faculty of Social Sciences is more than just an academic endeavour; it's a chance to make a difference. Whether you aspire to work in public policy, social research, or advocacy, this programme will provide you with the knowledge and skills to understand complex social issues and contribute to creating a more just and equitable world.

Sample Timetable

WEEK ONE TIMETABLE

8:45-9:00	Morning Assembly				
9:00-10:30	Seminar The Study of Society	Lecture Understanding Communities and Social Groups	Keynote Guest Speaker	Lecture Markets, Resources, and Decision Making	Seminar Media and Public Opinion
11:00-12:30	Time to Shine Project Introduction Research & Data Analysis Group Project Discussions Development and Public Speaking Skills Presentation Ceremony				
13:30-14:45	Orientation Tour	Seminar Human Behaviour and Motivation	Industry Experience	Seminar Governments and Power Structures	Seminar Social Movements and Change
15:00-16:15	University Coaching Interview Preparation	University Coaching Writing a personal statement		University Coaching Public Speaking Skills	
16:15-18:15	Free Time Tutorials once per week, 16:30-17:30 Career Counselling Clinic, 16:30-17:30				

WEEK TWO TIMETABLE

8:45-9:00	Morning Assembly				
9:00-10:30	Seminar How Nations Interact	Lecture From Theory to Practice in Public Policy	Keynote Guest Speaker	Lecture Debating Social Issues	Seminar Proposing Solutions to Global Social Issues
11:00-12:30	Time to Shine Project Introduction Research & Data Analysis Group Project Discussions Development and Public Speaking Skills Presentation Ceremony				
13:30-14:45	Seminar Class, Race, and Gender Inequality	Seminar Diplomacy and Conflict	Industry Experience	Seminar Leadership and Decision Making	Packing and Graduation
15:00-16:15	University Coaching Interview Preparation	University Coaching Writing a personal statement		University Coaching Public Speaking Skills	
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Please note the above is given as an example and is subject to change.



Course Objectives

This course is designed to provide you with a comprehensive understanding of the fundamental principles of psychology and sociology. By the end of the programme, you will have developed the skills to analyse social Behaviour, understand psychological processes, and critically evaluate societal issues. This course is ideal for students interested in pursuing careers in psychology, sociology, social work, or related fields.

Module 1

Introduction to Psychology

Gain a foundational understanding of psychology by exploring cognitive development, personality theories, and abnormal psychology, with case studies and experiments to understand how biological, social, and environmental factors influence human behaviour and mental processes.

Module 2

Foundations of Sociology

Examine the structures and institutions that shape society, exploring socialisation, cultural norms, and social stratification, with critical discussions and research to analyse how societal factors influence individual and group behaviour and drive social change.

Module 3

Social Psychology and Group Dynamics

Explore how individual behaviour is influenced by social contexts, studying group behaviour, conformity, aggression, and social identity, with experiments and group activities to understand social influences on attitudes, behaviours, and relationships.



Previous projects include:

Project 1: "The Impact of Social Media on Adolescent Self-Esteem" – A research project examining how social media use influences self-perception and mental health among teenagers.

Project 2: "Exploring the Social Determinants of Mental Health in Urban Communities" – An analysis of how socioeconomic factors such as income, education, and housing affect mental health outcomes in urban settings.



Time to Shine

For your Time to Shine project, you will undertake a research project that explores a topic at the intersection of psychology and sociology. This project will culminate in a presentation where you will demonstrate your ability to apply theoretical concepts to real-world social issues. Examples of past projects include:



Industry Experience

Our programme includes industry experience sessions that provide practical insights into careers in social sciences. You will have the opportunity to visit social research organisations, mental health facilities, or community centres, where you can observe professionals in action, learn about the application of psychological and sociological principles, and explore potential career paths.



Guest Speakers

We invite experienced psychologists, sociologists, and social workers to share their expertise with you. These guest speakers will discuss the latest trends in social sciences, share their experiences in the field, and provide guidance on pursuing a successful career in psychology, sociology, or related areas.



Academic Coaching

Throughout the course, you will receive personalised academic coaching to support your intellectual growth. Our experienced tutors will offer feedback on your research projects, help you refine your analytical skills, and guide you in developing a deeper understanding of social sciences and their applications.

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