

Why Study a Modern Languages at A Level?

The reasons for studying French or Spanish at A-Level are threefold.

- 1) Mastery of either language opens doors to travel and cultural exchange across North and South America, Europe and Eastern Asia. In an increasingly globalised world, employers value graduates with the ability to interact with people of diverse backgrounds.
- 2) Universities, and particularly those in the Russell Group, value languages highly and this is reflected in the quantity of offers made to those who study Modern Languages and other academic, traditional subjects at A-Level.
- 3) As a nation, those with advanced qualifications in Modern foreign Languages are becoming increasingly rare. As a result, Languages graduates can earn significantly more than graduates in other subjects and employers value them for their skills and their flexibility.

What will you study?

At Hackney New Sixth Form, we will study the AQA specification in both French and Spanish. This entails immersion based grammar teaching underpinned by in depth study of Francophone and Hispanic culture.

The cultural component will include study of contemporary youth issues as well as detailed analysis of cultural and political themes across both subject areas. These could include:

- Film Studies (eg. Including the works of Almodovar and Truffaut)
- History (eg. France in the 20th Century, Spanish Civil War)
- Politics (eg. The 5th French Republic, Monarchy in Spain)

Trips

HNS will run a residential trip to France and/or Spain as part of the course offering. This will tie in with the course requirements under the cultural study of A2.

Entrance Requirements

You will need a Grade A/A* in either French or Spanish to gain access to either course.