

EPQ



Examination board – AQA

EPQ:

The Extended Project is a Level 3 Qualification and accounts for ½ an A-Level. Unlike other A-Level courses, which follow set schemes of work, the EPQ offers students the opportunity to research topics of their own choosing.

Why study an EPQ?

Alongside the chance to explore new subjects, the EPQ develops core study skills which can contribute to a student's all-round personal development; the most important being independence. In addition, recent educational research suggests that these transferable skills have a formative impact upon student performance in the rest of their A-Level subjects:

“The odds of achieving a higher grade A-level (A*-B) increases by 29 per cent for students who study an EPQ”. Jones, B. (2015). ‘Does the Extended Project Qualification enhance students’ GCE A-level performance?’ Manchester: AQA Centre for Education Research and Practice.

University:

Many universities also hold the EPQ in high regard and increasingly make offers based upon success in the qualification.

How it works:

Delivery of the Extended Project Qualification at KEHS involves teaching of the necessary skills, supervision and assessment of the student's progress. It will also involve extended autonomous work by the student.

Students are required to:

- Select an area of interest
- Create a title and aims of the project
- Plan, research and complete the project
- Deliver a presentation to a non-specialist audience
- Provide documentary evidence of all stages of project for assessment.

GCSE Entry Requirements

We would like students to have achieved grade 7 – 9 at GCSE.