

# Extended Project Qualification

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## Course Outline:

Students taking an EPQ will be expected to complete their own research project and deliver an assessed presentation on their work. This could be a 5000 word essay on any question or subject of their choice, or alternatively students can create an artefact or product. A project log will also need to be produced, providing details of specific research and tracking the student's progress in this qualification. The EPQ is worth half an A Level and is well received in both Higher Education and employment, demonstrating valuable learning behaviours such as commitment and independence to their chosen area of study.

## Skills/Aptitudes Developed/Required:

The qualification is designed to develop independent research techniques into a chosen area of interest, supported through effective planning, time management and reflection.

## Additional Considerations:

This qualification attracts the same UCAS tariff points as half an A Level, and therefore students who receive a points offer from university will benefit from studying the EPQ. Some universities also routinely give alternative offers to students who have studied the EPQ, increasing their chances of attending first choice and competitive universities.

The EPQ is launched to all Year 12 students in Term 2. The students who apply will have a 1:1 conversation with the Sixth Form Leadership Team regarding their suitability.



## Progression Post-18

All universities like this qualification as it develops skills and teaching methods that they will build on. The independent approach is something employers will look for too.