What will I study?

There are three units of study

Unit 1: Democracy in Scotland and the UK

Unit 2: Social Inequality in the UK – focussing on crime and law in the UK

Unit 3: The USA – a study of society and politics in the USA

What skills will I develop?

- Learn to research and use information collected from a range of sources about current issues
- Be able to use information to support and oppose views
- Be able to give detailed justifications for decisions
- Learn to reach a valid conclusion supported with detailed evidence

Possible Careers Journalism & Media Local Government Modern Studies Advertising Business & Marketing

How will I be assessed?

National 5 pupils complete an assignment in school and sit a final exam. Both of these are sent away to be marked.

National 3 and 4 units are assessed in school by your class teacher. National 4 pupils also complete a project of their own choice. This is completed in school and marked by your teacher.

What can I go on and study in fifth and sixth year?

National 3 → National 4 Modern Studies

National 4 → National 4 Geography or History, National 5 Modern Studies, Travel & Tourism SCQF 5

National 5 → Higher Modern Studies or another social subject at Nat 5 level. Possibly Higher Modern Studies or Geography, although you would need to discuss this with Mrs Reid

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