

Advanced Higher RMPS

Course Rationale

The Advanced Higher RMPS course explores how religion, morality and philosophy are at the core of human history and culture. Candidates develop an understanding of the significance and continuing impact of these subjects on the world today. They apply skills, knowledge and understanding to a range of religious, moral and philosophical questions, and learn to critically evaluate how these questions affect people's lives and values. Candidates explore their understanding of different viewpoints and beliefs, and develop and apply insights into a variety of viewpoints. They also explore challenges to these viewpoints.

Course Content

2 Units

- Philosophy of Religion
- Religious Experience OR Medical Ethics

Skills

- Develop an in-depth knowledge and understanding of issues arising from philosophy of religion and medical ethics or religious experience
- Analyse arguments surrounding the existence of God
- Analyse religious and non-religious arguments surrounding issues in medical ethics or religious experience
- Analyse and evaluate arguments and evidence
- Justify appropriate research issues and use a wide range of sources to research a question or issue
- Organise, present and reference findings using an appropriate referencing system

Course Assessment

Question Paper 1

This is worth 90 marks. This question paper lasts 3 hours.

There are two sections –

Section 1: Philosophy of Religion (45 marks)

Section 2: Part A — Medical Ethics (45 marks) OR Part B — Religious Experience (45 marks)

Learners will answer an essay question (30 marks) and a source question (15 marks) from each section.

Project - Dissertation

This is worth 50 marks.

The Project - Dissertation enables learners to identify, analyse and evaluate an appropriate complex religious, moral or philosophical question or issue for independent research. A broad range of religious and non-religious views must support this.

Progression

Successful candidates at Advanced Higher level can progress to University degree courses in theology, religious studies, philosophy, medicine, law, social sciences, and social subjects.

Career Pathways

Psychology	Human Relations	Journalism	Health Care	Lawyer	Teaching	Civil Service
Social Work	Administration	Health Care	Police	Prison Services	Politician	