



A Level Sustainability

What will I study?

Sustainability is the study of how we can meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. On this course, you'll explore the environmental, social and economic dimensions of sustainability, and examine how individuals, organisations and governments can contribute to a more sustainable world. Key topics include climate change, resource management, sustainable development, and ethical decision-making. You'll develop skills in critical thinking, problem solving and systems analysis — all essential for careers in environmental science, policy, and sustainable business.

How will I be assessed?

The AAQ in Sustainability is assessed through a combination of coursework and written examinations. You'll be expected to demonstrate your understanding of sustainability concepts, apply them to real-world scenarios, and evaluate strategies for sustainable development. Assessment methods may include research projects, case studies, presentations and exams. The qualification is awarded by the AAQ exam board.

What are the entry requirements?

You must have five GCSEs at grade 5 or above (including English Language at grade 5 and Maths at grade 4) to meet the general Sixth Form entry requirements at MK College, and while there are no specific subject requirements for this course, an interest in environmental issues, geography, science or ethics will be beneficial.

Where will this course lead?

The AAQ in Sustainability provides a strong foundation for university degrees in Environmental Science, Sustainability, Geography, and related subjects. It's also valuable preparation for careers in environmental consultancy, policy-making, education, corporate responsibility, and any role focused on creating a more sustainable future.

What combines well with this subject?

Sustainability complements a wide range of subjects, especially those that explore the natural world, society and ethical decision-making. Consider pairing it with: Geography, Environmental Science, Biology, Politics, Philosophy, and Sociology.