

Here are some comments from former students ...

What advice would you give to a new student?

“Listen in class and keep on revising because if you go on to A2 the work will crop up and surprise you!”

“File all work in folders and take time to revise all key points.”

“The course is challenging but fun if you are willing to work hard to achieve.”

“Study hard and enjoy. The work required is hard but the effort you put in will be worth it.”

“Attend all lessons, listen attentively and do all the homework set.”

What have you enjoyed most about your course?

“The field trip was awesome, lessons were exciting yet informative.”

“The experiments and videos.”

“The teacher was excellent and the work was good.”

“Class participation.”



- ◆ We are a team of enthusiastic, dynamic, innovative and experienced staff, some of whom are current A-level examiners.
- ◆ We provide a supportive environment to help you to reach your full potential.
- ◆ There are 14 specialist biology teachers, who teach more than 700 students. The numbers studying Biology have grown substantially in direct contrast to the national trend, where figures have fallen over recent years.
- ◆ Our results are way above the National averages!
- ◆ We offer a variety of extension projects, including the Biology Olympiad and the OCNW/Liverpool University Curriculum Enrichment Project. We also organise regular visits to A-level conferences at universities.



Biology Olympiad Medal Winners

The department offers the AQA AS and A-level courses in Biology. The AS course is a one-year course which is completed in the first year. The full A-level course lasts two years. The AS result counts towards the full A-level qualification achieved after two years of study.

Students will get the opportunity to participate in practical work and fieldwork.



Why study Biology at AS or A-level?

- ◆ If you plan to follow a science or medically-related degree course at university, Biology is very desirable and a considerable advantage.
- ◆ If you plan to take Chemistry at A or AS-level, Biology is a complementary subject which will help to reinforce many similar skills.
- ◆ The course is also suitable for students with an interest in human biology.
- ◆ As with other subjects, Biology contributes towards achievement of Key Skills qualifications.

What topics will be followed?

AS-level

- ◆ Unit 1:
Biology and disease
- ◆ Unit 2:
The variety of living organisms
- ◆ Unit 3:
Coursework

A-level

- ◆ Unit 4:
Populations and environment
- ◆ Unit 5:
Control in cells and organisms
- ◆ Unit 6:
Coursework

For more information visit our webpages @ www.greenhead.ac.uk.

What qualifications do you need to study Biology at A or AS-level ?

Currently the largest department in the college, we welcome all students, whatever their background or career aspirations. All we ask is that they should have already gained a grade C pass in GCSE Biology or CC in Dual Award Science at the higher tier of study, a grade C in Mathematics and have met the college entry requirements.



What can you do with A-level Biology?

Many of our students go on to study biology-related courses at university. An increasing number of students each year are successful in obtaining places on highly competitive course including medicine, veterinary science, dentistry, pharmacy, physiotherapy and a variety of courses at Oxford and Cambridge universities.