A Level

Specification Number: 7402

Biology

Entry Requirements

Minimum of 5 A*-C grades / grade 5 (new grading structure) at GCSE or equivalent with English and maths. At least a grade 6 in GCSE Biology or Combined Biology is the minimum requirement.

Course Description

There are eight core areas of study at A level Biology.

Biological molecules Genetic information, variation Org
Cells and relationships between the

Organisms exchange substance organisms

with their environment Energy Transfers in and between

organisms

Organisms respond to changes in

their internal and external

environments.

Genetics, populations, evolution

and ecosystems

The control of gene expression

Assessment

Paper 1: Any content for topics 1-4, including relevant practical skills. 2 hours long consisting of 91 marks (76 marks: a mixture of short and long answer questions and 15 marks: extended response questions).

Paper 2: Any content for topics 5-8, including relevant practical skills. 2 hours long consisting of 91 marks (76 marks: a mixture of short and long answer questions and 15 marks: comprehension questions).

Paper 3: Any content for topics 1-8, including relevant practical skills. 2 hours long consisting of 78 marks (38 marks: structured questions, including practical techniques, 15 marks: critical analysis of given experimental data and 25 marks: one essay from a choice of two titles).

Career Opportunities

MedicineEnvironmental ScienceVeterinaryTeachingResearchPhysiotherapyPharmacologyHospital AdministrationNursing

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Course Details

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