

What is the EPQ?

The Extended Project Qualification is worth the equivalent to half an A-Level (28 UCAS points) and can be taken alongside an A-Level programme.

The main value of the EPQ is that it is an independent piece of work—students must receive some instruction but most of the project is self-guided. This makes it both a challenge to complete and an award worth gaining.



How will the EPQ be assessed?

1. Production Log

This is where you present the record of your journey. Marks for the EPQ are not awarded solely for your final product, but on how you got there.

2. Written Report

This is the core of your EPQ as it is the product of your research.

3. Final Presentation

This can be done in a number of ways. It is important that your presentation explains your journey as well as a summary of your findings.



Project ideas from the past

It is important to choose something you are interested in. This will make completing the project more rewarding and enjoyable.

- ◆ A critical analysis of current theories of how the human lifespan can be extended.
- ◆ Should the care of those suffering with Alzheimer's disease be the responsibility of the government?
- ◆ Obama has a dream. What is the legacy of the American Civil Rights movement in America today?
- ◆ Are biological factors the primary basis for sexual orientation?



What are the benefits of the EPQ?

The EPQ will help you demonstrate that you are able to work independently. It will also help you to develop skills required for study at a higher level. For example:

- ◆ Working to deadlines
- ◆ Communication skills
- ◆ Planning skills
- ◆ Decision making and problem solving
- ◆ Presentation skills.

'The skills I gained during my EPQ will be invaluable at university in terms of time management and effective planning which will

'The University recognises that some A-Level students may also choose to complete the Extended Project. In such cases, some admis-

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