

16-19 study programme requirement	How QMGS meets this requirement
<p>Leaders promote high expectations and use rigorous systems to drive improvement, including through monitoring and developing the quality of 16 to 19 provision and improving the progress and achievement of learners and groups of learners</p>	<p>Senior and middle leaders regularly evaluate and monitor the curriculum at both a whole school and department level. Meetings take place every term to monitor data and help the achievement of all learners. Lesson observations of KS5 lessons also take place regularly.</p> <p>2023_mar_qmgs_quality_of_education_policy.pdf</p>
<p>Study programmes for each learner are planned and managed so that they fully meet the principles of the DfE’s 16 to 19 study programmes by providing progression, stretch, mathematics and English for all learners without GCSE grades A* to C, as well as work experience and non-qualification activities</p>	<p>Intervention is put in place for those pupils who have not been able to carry out a work experience placement previously.</p> <p>As an academic sixth form, offering just A Level qualifications, all pupils must gain at least a 6 in English and Mathematics alongside 54 points from their best 8 subjects.</p> <p>We offer Core Maths for those Y12s without a 7 in Maths.</p> <p>All students follow an additional option on top of their core three A-levels. This includes the EPQ, ILM leadership award, beginners’ Mandarin, leadership in sport and languages, a qualification in finance, amongst other options.</p> <p>Pupils are supported to complete 5 days of workplace experience during their time in the sixth form in line with the Gatsby benchmarks. Work Experience placements will take place during the school holidays, along with virtual placements.</p> <p>All sixth formers are expected to volunteer or mentor during their time in the school. This may be with younger students, or as part of one of the School’s outreach programmes (such as Change Your Mind).</p> <p>https://qmgs.walsall.sch.uk/curriculum-general-information/</p>
<p>Teaching and assessment support and challenge learners</p>	<p>We expect our students to work hard, to think for themselves and to pursue academic excellence with determination and discipline. The high level of A Level results show that we both stretch and support our learners at QMGS.</p> <p>Exam Results - Queen Mary's Grammar School (qmgs.walsall.sch.uk)</p>

<p>Learners receive high quality impartial careers guidance to prepare them for their chosen next steps and to enable them to make well-informed decisions about their future plans</p>	<p>A range of advice is given; from discussions with form tutors, Higher Education Fairs, and discussions with former pupils who often visit the school. Unifrog is used throughout the 6th form to build up a picture of pupil experiences and identify needs. Queen Mary's Grammar School, Walsall (qmgswalsall.sch.uk)</p>
<p>Study programmes build on each learner's prior attainment and enable them to make progress and move on to a higher level of qualification when they are ready to do so</p>	<p>The programmes of study are excellent preparation for progression into Higher Education in the vast majority of cases, or apprenticeships and employment at 18. Additional academic options in our Block E is used to broaden pupil study and give them choice. https://qmgswalsall.sch.uk/curriculum-general-information/</p>
<p>Learners develop personal, social, employability and independent learning skills, and achieve high levels of punctuality, attendance and conduct, including through the contribution of non-qualification or enrichment activities and/or work experience</p>	<p>The spirit of our Latin motto (approximately: "you get out what you put in") gives life to a wide range of activities. We have music and drama, sports teams taking part in Rugby, Hockey, Cricket and Cross Country fixtures, and a nationally successful Combined Cadet Force with a wide programme of Army and RAF activities. We are particularly proud to own a Field Centre, Farchynys, in the Barmouth Estuary.</p>
<p>Learners understand how to keep themselves safe and healthy, both physically and emotionally</p>	<p>There is a comprehensive programme of PSHE in the 6th form as well as regular 6th form assemblies where messages about safety and health, both physically and mentally are reinforced. Pupils also participate in the nationally recognised 'Change Your Mind' scheme as well as having access to a well being group and Rainbow Soc.</p>
<p>Learners, and groups of learners, make progress from their different starting points, remain on their study programme, achieve their core aim and make progress towards a GCSE grade C in English and/or mathematics if they do not already have one</p>	<p>As an academic sixth form, offering just A Level qualifications, all pupils must gain at least a 6 in English and Mathematics. We do offer a Core Maths programme for those who do not have a 7 at GCSE. https://qmgswalsall.sch.uk/curriculum-general-information/</p>
<p>Learners, and groups of learners, progress to the planned next stage in their careers, such as a higher level of education or training, or to employment or an apprenticeship</p>	<p>2023/24 data shows that 175 pupils achieved university places through UCAS – 158 at either an Oxbridge, Russell Group, or Top 50 institution. 1 pupil took up an apprenticeship and 13 are taking a year out or deferring entry.</p>