

Overview

The Welsh Second Language AS and A Level is designed to encourage students to:

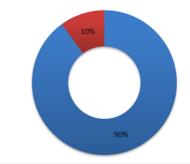
- study Welsh with interest, enjoyment and enthusiasm;
- communicate correctly and fluently both orally and in writing within a wide range of situations and contexts;
- write creatively and factually for a range of purposes; analyse familiar and unfamiliar texts independently;
- listen and respond to the opinions of others when expressing a point of view;
- express an independent opinion, based on knowledge and understanding of literary and factual texts; respond in Welsh with clarity, in a relevant, confident and structured manner;
- play an appropriate role in a bilingual society at the beginning of the twenty- first century.

Oral group examination : 40% Coursework: 10% Written Examination : 50%

Assessment

Examination 90%

Controlled Assessment 10%



Examining Board

Requirements

This course is intended for pupils who have achieved a C grade or above in Welsh Second Language at GCSE level.

Departmental Staff

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Course Outline

6 units are assessed in total – 3 units in Year 12 and 3 units in Year 13.

The units are as follows :-

Unit 1: Film and Oracy (Oral group task) -Students will discuss the Welsh film Patagonia in groups of two or three and talk about their coursework (Unit 2) (15%)

Unit 2: Written coursework – a topic of interest chosen by the candidate (1,500 – 2000 words) (10%)

Unit 3: Use of Language and Poetry (Written examination) – Students will study a language unit and also five set poems (15%)

Unit 4: Drama and Oracy (Oral group task) -Students will discuss living through the medium of Welsh and a set play in groups of two or three. (25%)

Unit 5: The Welsh language in society and Translanguaging (Written examination) – Students will answer questions based on the prescribed text and write a response in Welsh to an English-language article. (15%)

Unit 6: The Use of Language and Short Stories (Written Examination) (20%)

Career and Progression Opportunities

There are many opportunities open to those who study Welsh. Many go on to study Welsh degrees or combine it with another subject such as business, law, theatre studies, music, history, religious education, economics, science and maths. Welsh is much sought after in Wales particularly within the teaching profession, in the media, in politics and local government.

All public organisations and private businesses in Wales have a Welsh Language Policy. Businesses and organisations have a legal obligation to provide bilingual services to their clients, therefore there is an increasing demand for bilingual staff in all careers.

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