

# THE EPQ



## Summary

Are you looking for a way to stand out in your university applications? As a Level 3 course akin to A Levels, the EPQ is highly regarded by competitive universities. It offers you the chance to develop essential skills needed for higher education, such as research, planning, and independent work.

## Why Choose the EPQ?

Completing an EPQ is a demonstration of your dedication and interest in your chosen field of study, making your university application stand out. It helps bridge the gap between A Level study and university, equipping you with skills for your academic future.

## What is the EPQ?

The EPQ is more than just an essay. It requires you to produce a research-based report or an artefact with a commentary. This independent project demands commitment and deep research on a topic of your choice—something not covered in your current A Levels. It's an opportunity to explore a subject you're passionate about.

## Considerations Before You Commit

While the EPQ is rewarding, it requires a significant time investment as it runs for the duration of Year 12. If you're heavily involved in extracurricular activities, consider whether you can balance these commitments with the demands of the EPQ.

## Assessment and UCAS Points

The EPQ concludes with a presentation and is accompanied by a production log that reflects your journey. It offers UCAS points that can bolster your university application:

- A\*: 28 points
- A: 24 points
- B: 20 points
- C: 16 points
- D: 12 points
- E: 8 points

