

## A-Level Religious Studies Part 2

### Summary

This course is the follow-up to Part 1, and you will continue to find out how people make sense of existence, morality and the divine. You will explore topics such as religious experiences, ethical theories and the role of religion in society – developing an understanding of different worldviews and the ability to think critically about moral and spiritual issues. This qualification cannot only help you build strong analytical and evaluative skills, but also fosters empathy, reflection and reasoned argument.

*PET offers A-levels in two parts. Upon completing Part 1, you can choose either to take your AS exam (a qualification marking the first year of a full A-level) or continue on to Part 2 to build up to a full A-level.*

*You will need to apply for each part separately. You can start an A-level at any time of the year, but exams usually take place in June. Before making your application, please speak to PET or your education department to find out if your prison can hold A-level exams as many cannot facilitate this. Alternatively, you might be able to take the exams on Release on Temporary Licence (ROTL) or after your release - we will be happy to advise you further on this.*

<b>Course Provider</b>	National Extension College (NEC) Woolpack House, 70 High Street, Sawston CB22 3HJ 01223 400200   <a href="http://www.nec.ac.uk">www.nec.ac.uk</a>
<b>Qualification Accreditation</b>	Pearson Edexcel
<b>Academic level</b>	Level 3
<b>PET entry requirements</b>	Level 2 English, plus Religious Studies A-Level Part 1
<b>Format of course material</b>	Paper-based
<b>Structure of course</b>	<p>Five Lessons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Religious Language (Analogy and Symbol, Verification and Falsification, Language Game)</li> <li>2. Belief and Unbelief (Critiques of Religious Belief, Life after Death, Creation and Cosmology)</li> <li>3. Ethics (Kant's Deontological Ethics, Aristotelian Virtue Ethics, Cognitivism and Non-Cognitivism, Religion and Morality, Medical Ethics - the beginning and end of life)</li> </ol>

	<p>4. Christianity and Society (The Challenge from Science, Secularisation, new movements in theology, pluralism and diversity, gender equality and discrimination)</p> <p>5. Atonement Theory and Scholars</p>
<b>Assignments</b>	6 written assignments and 1 past paper for revision
<b>Exam</b>	3 invigilated, closed book exams (120 minutes each)
<b>Study hours</b>	150
<b>Course expiry date</b>	24 months
<b>Prison support requirements</b>	Facilitate tutor support via email. This often requires scanning learner assignments and email them to their tutor. Co-ordinate with NEC to arrange and facilitate exams.
<b>Supplier tutor's support</b>	Yes - accessed with prison staff support
<b>Certificate</b>	On successful completion of exams, you will receive a certificate.
<b>Progress</b>	There are range of possible progression options including an Open University Access course. Call our free Advice Line on 0800 048 7520 on Tuesdays (10-12pm and 2-4pm) and Thursdays (10am-12pm and 2-6pm).