



AKADEMEIA  
HIGH SCHOOL

# Academic Programme 2024/2025



## Academic Development through the British Education System: iGCSEs and A Levels

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Our programme allows for individually tailored academic pathways, which students can follow as they discover and develop their academic interests and strengths.

The pre-university model that shapes our curricula encourages the development of independent learning, building up towards A Level qualifications in Years 12 and 13. A Levels were created by universities and for universities. They allow a free choice of subjects and depth of study that gives a solid preparation for higher education, certifying students' interests and their ability to pursue academic studies. A Levels also constitute a unique opportunity to lay an extensive and in-depth interdisciplinary foundation for university study.

The flexibility of choice at A Level is wonderfully liberating for students in academic terms but also a serious responsibility. A Level subjects must be well chosen, and students need to be prepared for them in order to maximise their learning possibilities. For this reason, we have carefully crafted our programmes for Years 10 and 11, combining Akademeia Assessed Courses with subjects that fulfil iGCSE specifications. All students follow core subjects that incorporate iGCSE standards but go beyond them to prepare them for A Level.

Students take all core subjects, and may select one creative subject which will continue in Year 11.

### Core Subjects

English Literature & Language	Physics	History
Mathematics	Chemistry	Modern Language
Polish	Biology	Geography

#### CREATIVE SUBJECTS

Music	Art	Drama
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All students take four core subjects and combine these with one of the six academic pathways and one supplementary subject.

### Core Subjects

English Literature & Language	Polish Literature & History
Mathematics	Modern Language

### Academic Pathways

<b>BIOCHEMISTRY</b>	<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>	<b>ARCHITECTURE</b>
Biology Chemistry	History Geography	Physics Art
<b>ENGINEERING</b>	<b>HUMANITIES</b>	<b>CREATIVE ARTS</b>
Physics Chemistry	History Religious Studies & Philosophy	Art Drama & Creative Writing

#### SUPPLEMENTARY SUBJECTS

Geography	Psychology	History of Art
Physics	Politics and Sociology	Coding

Students select three subjects from across six faculties. All students in Year 12 take Academic Writing as an additional subject. They may also choose to pursue the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), which is equivalent to 50% of an A Level. For new students joining in Year 12, choices of A Level subjects to be confirmed by the school during the assessment process.

### A Levels Offered

<b>CREATIVE &amp; PERFORMING ARTS</b>	<b>HUMANITIES</b>	<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>
3D Design	English Literature	Economics
Drama °	History	Geography
Fine Arts	History of Art	Politics
Music °	Philosophy °	Psychology
Photography	Polish *	Sociology
	Religious Studies °	
	Media Studies °	
<b>NATURAL SCIENCES</b>	<b>MATHEMATICS</b>	<b>MODERN LANGUAGES</b>
Biology	Mathematics	French
Chemistry	Further Mathematics	German
Physics		Russian
		Spanish

° The subject will only run if there is a sufficient number of students wishing to take it.

\* All Polish citizens take Polish as an additional A Level.

### Co-curricular

### Years 10 – 13

The programme complements our regular classes and encourages the holistic growth of each student.

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Personal Development Scheme</b>	<b>Co-curricular Activities</b>
Students will participate in a range of team and individual sports during lessons and after-school sports clubs.	PDS helps our students to build transferable skills through collaborative projects, workshops and internships.	Akademeia students can pursue one or more co-curricular courses from the diverse range of school clubs available.

# Holistic Approach to Student Personal Development

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## Mentoring

We consistently respond to our students' growing educational needs, ensuring that realise their potential through wise iGCSE and A Level subject choices. We believe that self-reflection and self-knowledge are fundamentals in setting and achieving personal goals. Mentors guide our students alongside this journey.

## Personal Development Scheme

The Personal Development Scheme provides students with an opportunity for self-discovery and personal development. The scheme consists of extracurricular experiences that help develop the confidence and social skills that will serve our students well in later life and enrich their university applications.

## Wellbeing

We believe that good emotional and psychological wellbeing is a key requirement for academic success and more importantly for a fulfilled and happy life. We achieve this by supporting students in developing awareness of factors which contribute to stress. We help students develop greater resilience by promoting healthy lifestyles

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