



St Albans Girls' School



SIXTH FORM INFORMATION 2020-2022



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COURSE ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR 2020

| Subject | Course Entrance Requirements |
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| Art & Design | GCSE Art Grade 6. |
| Art Textiles | GCSE Art Grade 6, GCSE Textiles Grade 6 or Product Design (with Textile focus) Grade 6. |
| Biology | GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy) high Grade 6 or all separate Sciences high Grade 6, GCSE Mathematics high Grade 6. |
| Business | GCSE Business is not a requirement for entry onto this course. If Business taken at GCSE – GCSE Business Grade 5, GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 5, GCSE Mathematics Grade 5. If Business not taken at GCSE – GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 5, GCSE Mathematics Grade 5. |
| Chemistry | GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy) high Grade 6 or all separate Sciences high Grade 6, GCSE Mathematics high Grade 6. |
| Classical Civilisation | GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6 or above. If GCSE History or Religion, Ethics & Philosophy taken at GCSE, Grade 5. |
| Computer Science | GCSE Computer Science Grade 6, GCSE Mathematics Grade 7. |
| Dance | Essential: GCSE Dance Grade 6 or equivalent dance experience including contemporary and choreographic experience. Desirable: GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6. |
| Drama & Theatre Studies | GCSE Drama Grade 6 or above. If Drama not taken at GCSE; GCSE English Language or English Literature, Grade 6 or above. |
| Economics | GCSE Economics or Business is not a requirement for entry onto this course. GCSE Business Grade 6, GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6, GCSE Mathematics Grade 6. If Business not taken at GCSE; GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6, GCSE Mathematics Grade 6. |
| English Literature | GCSE English Language Grade 6, GCSE English Literature Grade 6. |
| Film | GCSE Media Studies Grade 5. If Media Studies not taken at GCSE, GCSE English Literature and English Language Grade 5. |
| Food Science & Nutrition | GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition Grade 6 or GCSE Sciences Grade 6. |
| French | GCSE French Grade 6. Minimum of Grade 6 in Speaking and Writing papers. |
| Further Mathematics | GCSE Mathematics Grade 8/9. |
| Geography | GCSE Geography Grade 6, GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6. If Geography not taken at GCSE; GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6, GCSE Mathematics Grade 6. |
| Health & Social Care | GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 5. |
| History | GCSE History Grade 6 and GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6. If History not taken at GCSE; GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6. |
| IT | GCSE ICT Grade C or equivalent. If ICT not taken at GCSE; GCSE English Language Grade 5, GCSE Mathematics Grade 5. |
| Mathematics | GCSE Mathematics High Grade 6. |
| Music | GCSE Music Grade 6. Students will need to perform a recital on their chosen instrument in March of the second year. This must be at least a Grade VI standard. Therefore, students should be at a Grade V standard at the start of the course, with the view to being able to perform to the minimum standard of Grade VI by March of the second year. Under some circumstances, students who have not followed a GCSE course will be accepted dependent on a demonstration of proficiency in music theory (e.g. Grade V Theory or higher). |
| PE | GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6. Grade 6 in Additional Science or Further Additional Science or GCSE Biology or Grade 6 in GCSE PE. |
| Photography | GCSE Art Grade 6 and/or Media Grade 6. |
| Physics | GCSE Combined Science (Trilogy) high Grade 6 or all separate Sciences high Grade 6, GCSE Mathematics high Grade 6. |
| Politics | GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6. Grade 5 and above in a humanities subject such as History or Geography would be helpful. |
| Psychology | GCSE English Literature or English Language Level 6, GCSE Maths Level 6, GCSE Science or Additional Science Level 6. |
| REP | GCSE REP Grade 6. GCSE English Literature and English Language Grade 6. |
| Sociology | GCSE Sociology Grade 6. GCSE English Literature or English Language Grade 6. |
| Spanish | GCSE Spanish Grade 6. Minimum of Grade 6 in Speaking and Writing papers. |

Availability of all courses will depend on student demand.



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SIXTH FORM COURSE CHOICES & OPPORTUNITIES

| Qualifications Needed | Opportunities after Year 11 | Progression |
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| <p>5 GCSEs or more at Grades 9-5</p> | <p>Curriculum Entry Requirements - A Levels 2020</p> <p>Minimum academic entry requirements to study A Levels are to have achieved at least 40 GCSE points, calculated as follows, from a student's best 8 GCSE results:</p> <p>Grade 9 or 8 = 8 points, Grade 7 = 7 points, Grade 6 = 6 points, Grade 5 = 5 points, etc.</p> <p>See individual subject requirements for entry requirement grades to study A Level.</p> | <p>Employment</p> <p>Degree course at University</p> <p>Apprenticeship</p> |
| <p>Entry Level or Level 1 courses require students pass an assessment in English and Maths</p> <p>Level 2 courses 1-5 GCSEs Grades 1-3</p> <p>Level 3 courses 1-5 GCSEs Grades 9-5</p> <p>Some courses may require Level 1 or Level 2 in that qualification before entry to the higher Level</p> | <p>Level 2 Programmes or Apprenticeships</p> <p>Range of college courses (Oaklands, West Herts etc.), for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hair and Beauty • Hospitality and Catering • Public Services • Management • Childcare • Animal Care • Health and Social Care • Retail <p>Apprenticeships (Oaklands can help with advice, or visit www.apprenticeships.gov.uk and Unifrog https://www.unifrog.org)</p> | <p>Next Level in the Qualification</p> <p>A Levels</p> <p>Level 3 BTEC</p> <p>Higher or Degree Apprenticeship</p> <p>Degree Course at University</p> <p>Employment</p> |



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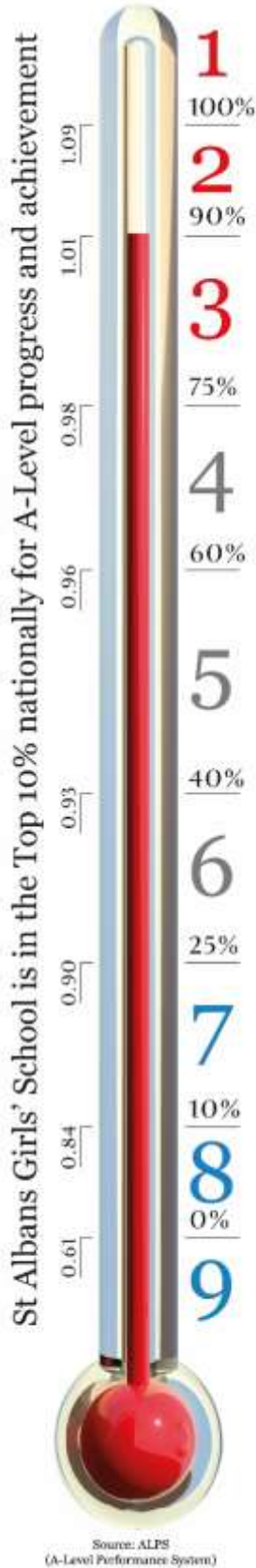
SIXTH FORM ENTRANCE PROCEDURES

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| Wednesday 6 November 2019 | Sixth Form Information Evening |
| Fortnight commencing Monday 11 November 2019 | Progression meetings (1) for each Year 11 STAGS student with a senior member of staff |
| Tuesday 19 November 2019 | Sixth Form Open Morning (1) for External Candidates at 9.15am. (Breakfast meeting in Sixth Form area & tour of the school) |
| Week commencing Tuesday 26 November 2019 | GCSE Mock Exams begin |
| Monday 9 December 2019 | Sixth Form Application deadline for STAGS Students |
| Tuesday 28 January 2020 | Big Interview |
| Wednesday 29 January 2020 | Futures Day |
| Thursday 6 February 2020 | Year 11 Parents' Evening |
| Friday 24 January 2020 | Sixth Form Open Morning (2) for External Candidates at 9.15am. (Breakfast meeting in Sixth Form area & tour of the school) |
| Fortnight commencing Monday 27 January 2020 | Progression meetings (2) for each Year 11 STAGS student with a senior member of staff post mock results |
| Wednesday 11 March 2020 | Sixth Form Open Morning (3) for External Candidates at 9.15am. (Breakfast meeting in Sixth Form area & tour of the school) |
| Friday 27 March 2020 | Closing date for receipt of application forms for External candidates |
| March 2020 | STAGS Sixth Form Offer letters issued |
| May/June 2019 | GCSE Examinations |
| | Individual meetings with Sixth Form Team to discuss application and course choices (external candidates) |
| Tuesday 30 June & Wednesday 1 July 2020 | Sixth Form Induction |
| Thursday 20 August 2020 | GCSE Results |
| Wednesday 26 August 2020 | Confirmation of courses and enrolment |



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ALPS THERMOMETER



ALPS system allows schools to get a measure of the value they add to a student's A Level performance compared to what might be expected of them from their performance at GCSE.

STAGS Sixth Form

Top 10% nationally for A Level progress and achievement putting us in the **outstanding** category



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A LEVEL RESULTS 2019

| | A* | A*/A | A*/B | A*/C | A*/D | A*/E | A*/U |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| No. of results | 23 | 108 | 213 | 291 | 330 | 338 | 341 |
| % Results | 10.4 | 30.3 | 61.1 | 84.8 | 96.7 | 99.1 | 100 |

A LEVEL INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT RESULTS 2019

| Qualification Name | Entries | A* | A | B | C | D | E | U |
|------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| Art | 9 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Biology | 26 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Business | 16 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Chemistry | 20 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Classical Civilisation | 8 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Dance | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Drama | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Economics | 10 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| English | 22 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| EPQ | 17 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Film Studies | 10 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| French | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Further Mathematics | 7 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Geography | 20 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| History | 28 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 1 | 0 |
| Mathematics | 24 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Photography | 8 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Physics | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Politics | 9 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Psychology | 31 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| REP | 14 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Sociology | 37 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Spanish | 14 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Summary | 116 | 37 | 71 | 105 | 78 | 39 | 8 | 3 |



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2019 UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS

| Destination | Subjects being studied if at University |
|--|---|
| Birmingham City University | Photography with Foundation Year |
| Bournemouth University | Law, Marketing Communications |
| Brunel University London | Sociology |
| Cardiff University | Psychology with Professional Placement, Biomedical Sciences, Economics and Management Studies |
| Coventry University | Applied Biosciences |
| De Montfort University | Dance |
| Imperial College London | Electrical and Electronic Engineering |
| Keele University | Medicine |
| King's College London (University of London) | Nursing Studies with registration as a nurse (Children's Nursing) |
| Lancaster University | Medicine and Surgery, Geography |
| London South Bank University | Economics with Accounting, Children's Nursing |
| Loughborough University | Product Design Engineering, Politics and International Relations |
| Manchester Metropolitan University | Integrated Health and Social Care |
| Nottingham Trent University | Law, Media Production, Media Communications and Culture, Psychology, Psychology with Sociology, Psychology with Criminology |
| Queen Mary University of London | Human Geography, Medical Genetics |
| Royal Central School of Speech and Drama | Production Lighting |
| Royal Holloway, University of London | Management with Marketing |
| Royal Veterinary College (University of London) | Veterinary Medicine |
| University College London | History |
| University of Birmingham | Psychology, Philosophy, Religion and Ethics |
| University of Brighton | Marketing Management with placement year, Business Management |
| University of Bristol | Geography |
| University of Cambridge | Theology, Religion, and Philosophy of Religion |



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|-----------------------------------|---|
| University of Derby | Psychology |
| University of East Anglia (UEA) | English Literature with Creative Writing, Nursing (Learning Disability), Philosophy, Mathematics with a Foundation Year |
| University of Edinburgh | Photography |
| University of Essex | Accounting, Business Management (Including Placement Year) |
| University of Exeter | Economics with Industrial Experience, English and Modern Languages, Economics with Industrial Experience |
| University of Greenwich | Advertising and Digital Marketing Communications |
| University of Hertfordshire | Law, Early Childhood Education, Psychology, Education Studies with Learning and Teaching, Film and Television (Production), Human Geography, Sport and Exercise Science, Accounting, Business and Marketing |
| University of Kent | English and American Literature |
| University of Leeds | International History and Politics, History |
| University of Lincoln | Politics and Social Policy |
| University of Liverpool | English, Marketing, Mathematics with Ocean and Climate Sciences, Biological Sciences Foundation (1+3) |
| University of Manchester | Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies (4 years), Neuroscience, Chemistry with International Study |
| University of Newcastle upon Tyne | Accounting and Finance (with Placement), Medicine and Surgery |
| University of Nottingham | Finance, Accounting and Management |
| University of Oxford | Psychology |
| University of Portsmouth | Digital Marketing, Paramedic Science |
| University of Reading | Archaeology and History, Geography (Human) with Professional Experience, Geography (Human and Physical) |
| University of Sheffield | Medicine (Phase One), Modern Languages and Cultures, History |
| University of Suffolk | Psychology |
| University of Surrey | Nursing Studies (Registered Nurse Children's Nursing) with Foundation Year |
| University of Sussex | Psychology |
| University of West London | Content, Media and Film Production |
| University of York | Politics, Theatre: Writing, Directing and Performance |



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