

IGCSE Physical Education



YEAR 9 OPTION BOOKLET: 2024-2026

Subject: Physical Education

Course Title: IGCSE Physical Education (0413)

Important, this subject is only available for study from IGCSE up to and including AS levels, it has been discontinued at A2 level.

Why study this subject:

Cambridge IGCSE Physical Education is accepted by universities and employers as proof of knowledge and understanding of Physical Education. The Cambridge IGCSE Physical Education syllabus encourages learners to develop:

- Knowledge, skills and understanding of a range of relevant physical activities.
- An ability to plan, perform and evaluate physical activities.
- An understanding of effective and safe performance.
- An understanding of the role of sport and physical activity in society and in the wider world.
- An excellent foundation for advanced study.
- An enjoyment of physical activity.

Aims of this subject:

The aims below describe the educational purposes of a course in Physical Education for the IGCSE examination. They are not listed in order of priority. The aims are to enable candidates to:

- Develop their knowledge and understanding of the theory underpinning physical performance in a modern world.
- Use and apply this knowledge and understanding to improve their performance.
- Perform in a range of physical activities, developing skills and techniques, and selecting and using tactics, strategies and/or compositional ideas.
- Understand and appreciate safe practice in physical activity and sport.
- Understand and appreciate the benefit of physical activity and sport for health, fitness and well-being.
- Gain a sound basis for further study in the field of Physical Education.

Assessment at a glance:

AO1 - Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the theoretical principles that underpin performance in physical activity / sport (**25%** weighting) - *Paper 1* - *Theory*.

AO2 - Apply knowledge and understanding of the theoretical principles to a variety of physical activities / sports, including the analysis and evaluation of performance (**25%** weighting) - *Paper 1* - *Theory*.

AO3 - Demonstrate the ability to select and perform appropriate skills to produce effective performance in practical activities (**50%** weighting) - *Component 2*: *Coursework*.

Curriculum content:

Unit 1 - Anatomy and physiology

- Unit 2 Health, fitness and training
- Unit 3 Skill acquisition and psychology
- Unit 4 Social, cultural and ethical influences

Additional Information:

The coursework component assesses candidates' performance in **four** physical activities from at least two of the seven categories listed below. The practical activities categories are:

Games activities / Gymnastic activities / Dance activities / Athletic activities / Outdoor and Adventurous activities / Swimming / Combat activities

Career Paths with this subject:

The course would benefit students who wish for a career in the following:

Teacher of Physical Education / Personal Trainer / Sports Coaching / Sports Science / Sports Management / Physiotherapy / Sports Journalism / Police force / Fire service/Medicine/Physical therapy