

UNIVERSITY SUPPORT FOR RMPS & PHILOSOPHY

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STRATHCLYDE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL

I am delighted that you are keen to encourage students in their interest of RMPS and Philosophy. As an academic admissions selector for - and a lecturer in - Law at Strathclyde University I strongly and unambiguously agree that these subjects are desirable and equip students well for the demands of university study. Not only in Law but in ALL university subjects one of the first qualities that we, as academics, look for in students is a capacity for critical thinking and a desire to apply that way of thinking to the world given to them.

I can say with absolute certainty that not only the substantive content of RMPS and Philosophy, but in addition the development of students' critical faculties, are amongst the most desirable qualities sought by universities and by employers who constantly face new challenges - and require a dexterity of thought - in responding to an ever-changing world.

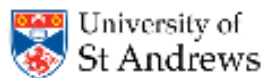
Dr Christopher McCorkindale

Academic admissions selector, Lecturer in Public Law. Strathclyde Law School



UNIVERSITY OF ST ANDREWS

St Andrews University is happy to state that SQA Higher Philosophy and RMPS are both accepted qualifications for entry to our undergraduate programmes.



There has always been a good reason to understand the role and impact of religions on the world, but more than that Higher RMPS will not only provide a good general understanding of current religious and moral conversations but also the ability to critically analyse texts and write well-constructed essays on the subject. These skills are vital to students hoping to progress into higher education.

The same, really, is true of Higher Philosophy but with the additional relevance to students interested in the sciences, where rationality and logic are fundamental to scientific reasoning. It would be great to see more students picking these subjects.

Mark George-Briant

Senior Education Liaison Officer

UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW

The University of Glasgow regard both the Higher Philosophy and RMPS as core Higher subjects and have the same standing as other academic subjects.



We require applicants entering from S5 to have an appropriate mix of 'academic' subjects (Arts, Humanity or Modern Language, Social Science or Science) along with a limited number of General Field of Study subjects. You will see that we classify both RMPS and Philosophy as Arts, Humanity or Modern Language subjects - so there is absolutely no restriction on them. We regard them as rigorous academic subjects and of equal weight to all other subjects

Robin Gordon

Head of Admissions. University of Glasgow

UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING

"Philosophy is not a body of knowledge, but a mode of thinking.

To think philosophically about something is to hold your beliefs and assumptions up to reflective scrutiny: to ask whether they

are consistent with each other, whether there are good reasons to hold those beliefs and assumptions, how you might learn from others who have different perspectives, and what you might say to others such that they can share your perspective.

Because philosophy is a mode of thinking it is of great help in any other educational or practical enterprise: the skills of analysis, judgement, argument, and communication that philosophising involves transfer both to other intellectual enquiries and to many workplace and public/private roles. For this reason, that philosophy is taught in schools in the UK is something to be highly valued." Dr Simon Hope - University of Stirling



UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH

The University of Edinburgh accepts Higher Philosophy, and Higher Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies (RMPS), for general entry to our undergraduate degree programmes and are accepted Highers that, individually, can contribute to the overall requirement. Both Highers are accepted by the University as being academically rigorous and therefore, each is suitable in terms of preparation for entry. Taking Philosophy or RMPS alongside other subjects at Higher would help to

demonstrate breadth of study in achievement, which is something the University values.

Ian Sutherland. Head of Admissions. University of Edinburgh



UNIVERSITY OF WEST OF SCOTLAND

We can confirm that both RMPS and



Philosophy are considered alongside any other Higher and will accept applicants with those Higher subjects.

Applicant Enquiry Team. University of West of Scotland

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The Glasgow Caledonian University is happy to accept Higher RMPS and Philosophy as part of the advertised higher grade profile required for entry to all our undergraduate programmes.



Francesca Massa

Admissions Team Leader.