

Why Study A Level Economics?

Course Introduction

Explore how the world works through the choices of people, businesses and governments. A-level Economics helps you understand the forces shaping society, develop your own informed opinions and evaluate solutions to real-world challenges from both a micro-economic and macro-economic perspective.

Entry Requirements

5 GCSEs with a minimum Grade 6
Minimum Grade 6 in GCSE Maths & GCSE English

Course Content

Explore how markets operate and how businesses develop strategies to compete and succeed.

- Markets and business behaviour: Study supply and demand, market failure, business objectives, and the role of government in markets.
- The national and global economy: Explore economic growth, inflation, unemployment, taxation, government policy and globalisation.
- Applying economic theory: Use real-world examples, data and evidence to understand economic issues, evaluate different viewpoints and assess possible solutions.

Skills Developed

Develop the ability to think critically, interpret data and build persuasive, evidence-based arguments. You'll learn to analyse economic problems, evaluate different viewpoints and reach reasoned conclusions, while strengthening your numerical, research and written communication skills.

Career Opportunities

Economics can lead to a wide range of university courses and career paths. It provides a valuable foundation for degrees in economics, finance, business, politics and international relations, as well as careers in banking, consultancy, government, accountancy and data analysis. The analytical and decision-making skills you develop are valued across most strategic industries.

Course Assessment

Assessment is through written examinations combining economic data analysis, calculations, application of economic theory and extended written responses.

- Paper 1: Markets and Business Behaviour: 2 hours (35%).
- Paper 2: The National and Global Economy: 2 hours (35%).
- Paper 3: Microeconomics and Macroeconomics: 2 hours (30%).

