



SUBJECT: Economics A Level

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT:
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EXAM BOARD AND SYLLABUS NUMBER:
WJEC Eduqas: A520QSL / QAN: 60141037

SYNOPSIS OF CONTENT:

You will develop an understanding of economic concepts and theories through critical consideration of current economic issues, problems and institutions that affect everyday life, drawing on local, national and global contexts. Students will develop in-depth understanding of the role of markets and how governments seek to manage them, gaining awareness of contemporary developments in macroeconomic policy.

WHY STUDY THIS SUBJECT?

The subject will teach you to think in a careful and precise way, to always look deeper than initial impressions. Studying economics gives a training in analysis and decision making principles, providing a skill applicable in a very wide range of careers. It is also a live subject as it can be applied to everything you do every day.

SELF STUDY ADVICE / USEFUL WEBSITES:

You will need to show a willingness to undertake wider reading and further study outside the classroom and be fully engaged contemporary economic issues. There is a vast array of information available online, for example, The BBC, The Guardian, The Economist, Channel Four News etc...

HOW IS IT ASSESSED?

Paper 1: Economic Principles. 1h 30m. 30%. Section A compulsory multiple choice questions. Section B compulsory structured questions. Paper 2: Exploring Economic Behaviour. 2h 30m. 30%. Compulsory data response questions. Paper 3: Evaluating Economic Models and Policies. 2h 30m. 40%. Section A Microeconomics. Section B Macroeconomics. Section C Trade and Development. One essay from a choice of two in each section.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Visit to the City of London, including the Bank of England. Economics is a highly respected subject that leads naturally not only to careers related to Finance and Business, but also in government departments, charities and large global multi-national companies

SPECIFIC MATRICULATION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the Sixth Form matriculation requirements, students must have at least one GCSE grade 6 or above in a Humanities subject and a grade 6 or above in Mathematics. Please note that essay writing skills are also a key feature of the course.