

Economics



With the history of one of the biggest financial crises ever just behind us, and with the prospect of Brexit looming ahead, studying Economics is one of the most interesting and ever changing A level subjects. The Edexcel course is well balanced to allow you to study business related Economics as well as to debate and discuss some of the biggest global issues of today, such as how to solve the problem of absolute poverty. We study in depth how individuals, firms and governments make decisions and evaluate just how free we should allow the market to be. The course is assessed in a variety of different ways, with 20% Maths (including using formulae, completing calculations and interpreting graphs) as well as a significant emphasis on longer essay writing.

Course Outline

AS Level

Nature of economics
How markets work
Market failure
Government intervention
Measures of economic performance
Aggregate demand and supply
Economic growth
Macroeconomic objectives

A Level

Business growth and objectives
Revenues, costs and profits
Market structures
Labour market
International economics
Poverty and inequality
Developing economies
Financial sector

AS and A-Level Economics are decoupled and not studied here as a linear course.

Career Progression

Economics is the perfect subject for students who are all-rounders, equally at home with maths and writing essays. For this reason an Economics degree can lead into a huge variety of careers including:

- Banking and Finance
- Business
- Research
- Civil Service

Complementary Subjects

Due to the high content of Maths at degree level, please note that to do an Economics degree "top third" universities will almost always require you to have Maths A level.

Russell Group universities will usually require you to have Further Maths too.

Other common and useful combinations are with: Psychology, History and Geography.

Entry requirements

English GCSE: **6**

Maths GCSE: **5**

What our Students say:

"Economics is my most interesting subject- particularly studying how globalisation has affected different groups of people around the world."

Inva – Class of 2017