

What will I learn?

- How to develop an understanding of economic concepts and theories through a critical consideration of current economic issues, problems and institutions that affect everyday life;
- How to apply economic concepts and theories in a range of contexts and to appreciate their value and limitations in explaining real-world phenomena;
- How to analyse, explain and evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the market economy and the role of government within it;
- How to participate effectively in society as a citizen, producer and consumer.

How will I learn?

The learning builds by progressing through units based initially on 'the operation of markets and market failure' and 'the national economy in a global context'. We then progress by examining and evaluating 'Individuals, firms, markets and market failure' and 'the national and international economy'. Activities will involve classroom-based learning, films, group-working tasks and independent work.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed by sitting 3 written exams, each of which count as 33.3% of your grade.

FAQs.

What kind of student is this course suitable for?

This course will appeal to students who:

- wish to pursue a career in an economics-related profession;
- enjoy studying a subject that affects their own everyday lives;
- want to keep their options open – Economics can be combined with a wide range of Social Science, Humanities subjects and Mathematics. It is highly regarded by universities.

What could I go on to do at the end of my course?

Students with A level Economics have access to a wide range of possible career and higher education opportunities. A variety of transferable skills will be learned throughout the course including collecting and analysing economic information, developing written skills and problem solving and evaluation skills. These skills are in great demand and are recognised by employers, universities and colleges as being of great value. Economics combines well with a range of social sciences and humanities subjects to lead to University courses in such areas as law, business, accounting, politics and, of course, economics.

Exam Board

AQA

Subject Specific
Entry
Requirements

English grade 5 or
above

Skills Gained

Communication
Problem solving
Analytical skills
Time management
Numeracy
Teamwork
Strategic thinking
Data analysis

Careers

Accountant
Actuarial Analyst
Chartered
Accountant
Data Analyst
Economist
Finance and Banking
Financial Risk
Analyst
Financial Planner
Forensic
Accountant
Investment Analyst
Statistician
Stockbroker