

OCR A-Level Business Studies

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Department Information

The Department is staffed with very experienced and passionate Business qualified teachers. We have an excellent record of results in Key Stage 5 and our students are very positive about the subject. Business has its own suite of classrooms which are well resourced with both digital and print resources.

Why study this course?

Regardless as to the career path you will eventually choose - you will work within a business. Therefore, having an understanding of how a business works is critical to your success. This course provides you with an in depth understanding of how businesses of all sizes work and the decisions that have to be made. One day it may be you making those decisions!

Aims of the course

Central to this course is developing the knowledge and understanding of the key aspects of business decision-making and the impacts these have on the business and its stakeholders. The course encourages students to develop a critical understanding of organisations and their ability to meet society's needs and wants. The course generates enterprising and creative approaches to business opportunities, problems and issues. Students become aware of the ethical dilemmas and responsibilities faced by organisations and individuals and will take a more strategic view of business opportunities, problems and issues.

Course outline

A Level Business takes the student on a journey from discovering what skills and qualities an entrepreneur needs in order to succeed to what type of business ownership is most appropriate and how the functions of that business will operate. Understanding the external environment is also covered as well as how global businesses differ from local or national businesses.

How am I assessed?

There are 3 equally weighted external examinations at the end of the course.

Operating in a Local Environment

The UK Business Environment

The Global Business Environment

Where does this course lead?

Universities welcome this subject for application to study a wide range of degrees such as Business, Accounting, Economics, Law and Management Studies.