



What will Year 12 students learn and how many lessons will they have each week?

Economics A Level qualification gives a strong grounding in both micro- and macroeconomics, and applies both areas to the modern world, making it topical and engaging. It helps students develop the skills, knowledge and understanding that will enable them to think and reason as economists.

Students will have four lessons a week that are each one hour long.

What will Year 12 students need to do to get the most out of their lessons?

To get the most out of each lesson students will need to ensure they are keeping up with current affairs and what is happening in the national and global context. Students must also be prepared and willing to have open discussions in lessons. Reading a daily newspaper, watching BBC News and the Economist magazine are useful sources of background and context for this subject.

Completing the homework and doing external reading and preparation prior to lessons is necessary to ensure students maximise their learning.

How much homework will Year 12 students have in this subject?

Students will get two pieces of homework each week, one piece per teacher.

Each piece should take approximately an hour and will cover a variety of skills, questions and/or research and reading.

Which careers can this subject lead to?

Actuarial analyst, Chartered accountant, Compliance officer

Data analyst, Economist, External auditor, Financial risk analyst

Investment analyst, Political risk analyst, Risk manager, Statistician, Stockbroker

Which other subjects complement this subject?

History, Geography, Business, Mathematics, and the Sciences complement the study of Economics. The study of any of these subjects can assist those students studying to progress to Higher Education and employment.

What is the exam board?

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Do I need to have studied Economics at GCSE?

No, everything you need to know will be taught throughout year 12 and 13.

You do need to have an interest in the world around you and want to know more about how our economy works and is structured.

Do I need Maths to study Economics?

The assessment of quantitative skills will include at least Level 2 (GCSE Equivalent Grade 5 and above) mathematical skills as a minimum of 20% of the overall A level marks.