

Economics

A-Level

Economics is the perfect subject for any student who wants to understand more about the way world around them works.

What is the course about?

Economics is about choice and the impact of our choices on each other. It relates to every aspect of our lives, from the decisions we make as individuals or families to the structures created by governments and firms. An economic way of thinking can help you make better choices.

In Theme 1 and Theme 2 you will be introduced to the nature of economics, how markets work and why they fail. You will also consider the role of government and the UK economy and study major economic concepts such as poverty, unemployment and inflation

In Theme 3 and Theme 4 you will explore how businesses grow and compete, the labour market and how the government intervenes to make markets work better. You will also explore international trade, inequality within and between countries, emerging and developing economies, and the public finances. Finally you will consider the role and impact of the financial sector.

What kind of students is this course suitable for?

Students should be able to demonstrate an interest in current affairs, have strong literacy & numeracy skills and enjoy the academic challenge that is Economics. They should be willing to to read around the subject and follow what is going on in the news. Students will need motivation, commitment and a willingness to develop and learn both independently and as part of a

What do I need to know before taking the course?


It doesn't matter if you haven't studied economics before. You might have an interest in economics and want to know more about the impact it has on the world around you. You might want to investigate some of the stories you hear in the news - Why do some economies grow and others don't? What will be the impact of Brexit? Why didn't economists predict the Global Financial Crisis? This course will help you to understand all this and more.

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

There are degrees in pure Economics or courses which combine Economics with other subjects such as Business, Management or Politics. Economics is useful for careers in business management, banking, finance, accountancy, journalism and for anybody who wishes to understand the society we live in and the world around us.



What if I need further advice or information?

 Speak to a member of the department

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