

6th Form Courses

ECONOMICS



- Why are footballers paid so much?
- Why do clothes from Supreme cost more than clothes from Primark?
- What is a trade war?
- Why are taxes so high?
- What is a recession?

By studying A Level Economics you will be able to answer all these questions and more!

"There's enough on this planet for everyone's needs but not for everyone's greed."

Mahatma Gandhi

A level Economics A (Edexcel)

What is the course like?

In A Level economics you'll look at the fundamental forces which affect our lives, such as employment, prices, international trade and poverty. Economists are often in healthy debate with each other over these issues. It is this controversy which makes economics lively and interesting and which allows you the opportunity to make your own judgements and form your own opinions.

Course content

Theme 1: Introduction to markets and market failure

Theme 2: The UK economy – performance and policies

Theme 3: Business behaviour and the labour market

Theme 4: A global perspective

Within these areas students will study topics including the following; how markets work, market failure, government intervention, measuring economic performance, macroeconomic objectives and policy, business growth, market structures, labour market, international economics and many more.

Entry requirement

5 GCSEs at 9-5 including English and Maths

Duration

2 years.

How will I be assessed?

You will have three exams at the end of your second year. Each exam is 2 hours in length and all are worth 100 marks.

Where does it lead?

Economics is a versatile subject that can help you in a number of careers as well as gain entry to university. Not only could you find yourself working for

big corporations, banks or the government but your qualification in Economics could also be valuable support in a career like marketing, law, journalism or teaching.

Students have gone on to study University courses such as; Economics, Management, Accounting and International relations. Students have also gone on to apprenticeships in Finance and Business.

Is this course suitable for me?

Yes, if you prefer a more academic approach to learning, assessment is based on understanding, knowledge, application, analysis and evaluation. If you enjoy discussions, problem solving, independent research and reading and you have a genuine interest in business and the world economy this course could be for you.

Additional information

- Students will have the opportunity to attend lectures delivered by leading figures through our partnership with Wellington College.
- Students will be eligible for the Business and Economics trip to New York.
- Students will have the opportunity to participate in national competitions such as BASE.
- Students will be expected to keep up with developments in the news, watch related programmes such as panorama and read around the subject (Mr Bissington has a collection of books which can be borrowed).

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How to Apply

- Complete and return an application form. Application forms are available from the Wellington Academy website: www.thewellingtonacademy.org.uk.
- Your completed application should be returned to Dave Bissington, Head of 6th Form, this can be done either via your tutor (if internal) or delivered to the school reception.
- Alternatively please complete an online form, found under 2021 – Applications on the 6th Form tab.
- You will have an individual course consultation, during which provisional courses will be agreed.
- The offer of the course will be conditional upon you meeting the required entry grades, any subject specific criteria and having a suitable reference from your previous school.
- Your final interview will be held immediately after you have received your GCSE results. This is when your actual offer is negotiated and confirmed.

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