# **A Level Business**

# What are the entry requirements?

In order to take this course we recommend that students achieve a Grade 5 or above in Maths and English Language at GCSE.

## What does the course involve?

Students will develop a broad understanding of how businesses work. They will develop understanding of the main aspects of business theory in Marketing, Human Resources, Finance and Operations as well as developing knowledge of Globalisation.

Students of business are encouraged to use an enquiring, critical and thoughtful approach to the study of business, to understand that business behaviour can be studied from a range of perspectives and challenge assumptions.

The Advanced GCE in Business is assessed by three externally examined papers. The course is split into 4 themes each covering a distinct sections of business.

## Paper 1;

Written examination: 2 hours - 35% of the qualification

#### Assessment overview

An externally-assessed written examination covering Theme 1 and Theme 4. Students will show understanding of Marketing, Human resources, Globalisations and Global Marketing across local, national and global contexts.

# Paper 2;

Written examination: 2 hours - 35% of the qualification

#### Assessment overview

An externally-assessed written examination covering Theme 2 and Theme 3. Students will show understanding of Finance, External influences, Objectives and Decision Making across local, national and global contexts.

## Paper 3

Written examination: 2 hours - 30% of the qualification

## **Assessment overview**

An externally-assessed written examination that has a pre-released context released in November each year. The students will demonstrate knowledge from all four themes in their answers throughout the exam paper.

# **Progression**

Business has one of the highest graduate employment rates of any non-specialist degree and can lead to careers such as accountancy, teaching, governmental & civil service jobs, transport sector jobs, jobs in business and many more!

Business is compatible with ALL other A level subjects. It combines with the Computing, ICT, Arts, Social Sciences, Languages and Sciences.

# Where can I find out more information?

To find out more talk to Mr Kimpton or Mr Kay. You can also look on the Edexcel website for the full specification.