

The A Level Economics curriculum equips students with a robust understanding of economic concepts and models, applying them to real-world contexts. The course explores microeconomic and macroeconomic issues, fostering critical thinking and decision-making skills. By the end of the course, students will analyse, evaluate, and interpret economic data, preparing them for higher education or careers in economics, business, or related fields.

Term	1	2	3	4	5	6
Year 12 AS level	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>
	<i>Students will develop critical thinking skills by exploring the foundational principles of economics, including the nature of economics, and will gain a deep understanding of core concepts such as demand, supply, and market equilibrium, preparing them to analyse real-world economic situations and market dynamics throughout their course path.</i>	<i>Students will be introduced to the dynamics of markets and the causes of <b>market failure</b>, while gaining an understanding of <b>elasticity</b> and its impact on market behaviour. The course will also cover the role of <b>government intervention</b> in addressing market inefficiencies, equipping students with the tools to evaluate economic policies and their effects.</i>	<i>Students will explore the concepts of <b>market failure</b> and <b>government failure</b>, focusing on the impact of <b>externalities</b> and the role of <b>public goods</b> in the economy. This will equip them with the ability to critically assess how markets and governments can both succeed and fall short in addressing societal needs.</i>	<i>Students will examine the performance of the UK economy and the policies that shape it, focusing on <b>key measures of economic performance</b> and <b>macroeconomic indicators</b>. This will provide them with the skills to analyse economic trends, assess policy impacts, and understand the broader economic landscape.</i>	<i>Students will explore key macroeconomic objectives, including the control of <b>inflation</b>, promotion of <b>economic growth</b>, and reduction of <b>unemployment</b>. This will enable them to understand the challenges policymakers face in balancing these objectives and the implications for the overall economy.</i>	<i>Students will study the various <b>macroeconomic policy instruments</b>, focusing on monetary policy, <b>fiscal policy</b>, and <b>supply-side policies</b>. This will equip them with the ability to evaluate how these tools are used to influence economic stability, growth, and overall economic performance.</i>
	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>
	Understanding economic models	Applying elasticity concepts	Evaluating externalities	Economic data analysis	Policy evaluation	Policy effectiveness
	Diagrammatic analysis	Evaluating government interventions	Analysing government policies	Understanding macroeconomic indicators	Measuring economic performance	Application to real-world contexts
	Critical thinking	Critical thinking	Critical thinking	Critical thinking	Critical thinking	Critical thinking
	Problem-solving	Problem-solving	Problem-solving	Problem-solving	Problem-solving	Problem-solving
	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
	Exam-style questions in class	Formal 40-minute assessments	Exam questions in class	Regular assessments	AP2 mock exam	Exam-style questions
	Feedback on AP1 mock exam	Marked feedback sessions	Revision before AP1 mock exam	Feedback on written work and model answers	Feedback and analysis	Targeted feedback sessions

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Year 13 A Level	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Knowledge</b>
	<i>A Level students will explore <b>business behaviour</b> and the <b>labour market</b>,</i>	<i>Students will delve into <b>business behaviour</b> and the <b>labour market</b>, with a focus on</i>	<i>A Level students will gain a <b>global perspective</b> by studying <b>globalisation</b>, <b>international trade</b>, and the <b>balance of</b></i>	<i>Students will explore a <b>global perspective</b> by examining <b>exchange rates</b>, <b>emerging markets</b>, and</i>	<i>A Level students will engage in <b>revision and review</b>, revisiting key topics in both <b>macroeconomics</b> and</i>	<i>A Level students will undertake <b>end-of-course revision</b>, with a focus on <b>refining exam technique</b> and</i>

<i>examining different market structures and how they influence business objectives. This will provide them with a deeper understanding of how firms operate, compete, and make decisions within various market environments.</i>	<i>oligopoly and its characteristics, as well as key labour market issues. This will enable them to analyse firm strategies in competitive markets and understand the challenges faced by workers and employers in the labour market.</i>	<i>payments. This will equip them with the ability to assess the interconnectedness of economies, the benefits and challenges of trade, and the impact of global economic flows on national economies.</i>	<i>inequality. This will enable them to understand the complexities of global financial systems, the economic challenges and opportunities in developing economies, and the causes and consequences of inequality on a global scale.</i>	<i>microeconomics, while focusing on improving their essay writing skills. This will help consolidate their knowledge and enhance their ability to communicate complex economic concepts effectively in written form.</i>	<i>preparing for final mock exams. This will ensure they are well-equipped to apply their knowledge effectively under exam conditions and achieve their best possible outcomes.</i>
<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>	<b>Skills</b>
Understanding market structures	Game theory application	Analysing global trade patterns	Evaluating exchange rate policies	Extended writing	Exam preparation
Critical analysis of market failures	Labour market policies	Interpreting economic data	Assessing economic development	Essay structuring	Time management
Data analysis in macro/micro	Data analysis in macro/micro	Data analysis in macro/micro	Data analysis in macro/micro	Data analysis in macro/micro	Data analysis in macro/micro
<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
Formal assessments in class	AP1 mock exam	Formal assessment every 2-3 weeks	Weekly exam-style questions	AP2 mock exam	Final exams
Regular practice with essay questions	Feedback with model answers	Feedback and improvement lessons	Targeted reteaching sessions	Feedback and reteaching based on exam performance	Mock papers analyzed for areas of improvement

**Impact:**

Students will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of economic theories and models, and the ability to apply them to real-world contexts.

Regular formative assessments will allow for targeted feedback, ensuring continuous improvement in both micro and macroeconomics.

By the end of the course, students will be equipped with analytical and critical thinking skills necessary for higher education and careers in economics, business, or related fields.

Through regular practice and mock exams, students will gain confidence in answering exam-style questions, developing both their content knowledge and exam technique.