



Economics

What is the exam board and route?

A Level OCR - H460

Subject Entry Requirements: Grade 6 in GCSE English and GCSE Maths advised.

Subject outline

The subject encourages students to 'think as economists' and develop the appropriate range of analytical, questioning and reasoning skills to achieve this objective. It gives them a grounding in both microeconomics and macroeconomics, drawing on local, national and global contexts, using 'real world' issues wherever possible.

How is the course assessed?

3 x 2 hours (this is a linear A Level, and the entire content is examined at the end of the 2-year course).

Why study this subject?

Economics as a Sixth Form subject has existed for over 40 years at LGS and whilst it has a proud tradition of attracting large number of strong Mathematicians who can employ their strengths in analysing economic data, it shares common ground and skills that are present in many other subjects such as Geography, History and English. The success of the subject at LGS is best demonstrated by the large numbers of boys who go on to study at degree level at many of the top Universities including Cambridge and Oxford. The interdisciplinary nature of the subject means that the subject is enjoyed by students from all backgrounds whether Science or Arts.

Complementary subjects

The subject lends itself to being studied alongside nearly any other subject, but is quite often seen in combination with History, Politics, Maths and Sciences.

Possible careers

Careers in either Management or in the City are regular destinations for economics graduates, but the subject has a broad appeal and keeps the door wide open to employment in almost all areas, including Accountancy, Actuarial Analysis, Data Analysis, Economist, Finance and Banking, Forensic Accountancy, Investment Analysis, Stockbroking.

Subject enrichment available

The subject is also alive and well outside the classroom at LGS. There is a vibrant student led Economics Society that meets every week to discuss a range of interesting and sometimes controversial topics. There are also trips to academic conferences as well as a variety of competitions to enter including the prestigious RES essay competition.

