

Business

Methods and Patterns of Assessment

AS Assessment

AS is a stand alone qualification and its 160 marks do not count towards the A level. It is sat in the summer of the first year.

Paper 1	Paper 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1.5 hour written exam• 80 marks• Multiple Choice Questions• Short answer questions• Data response questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1.5 hour written exam• 80 marks• 1 case study and 7 questions

A Level Assessment

3 papers taken in the summer term of the second year

Paper 1	Paper 2	Paper 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 hour written exam• 100 marks in total• 33.3% of A level• 15 Multiple choice questions• Short answer questions• 2 essays	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 hour written exam• 100 marks in total• 33.3% of A Level• 3 data response questions (made up of 3 or 4 part questions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 hour written exam• 100 marks in total• 33.3% of A level• 1 case study with 6 questions

Financial Implications

Students will need to purchase a textbook each year, approximately £25 each. Students will be asked to contribute £10 (by online payment) a year towards the booklets the Department will provide. Revision booklets are available and students are encouraged to subscribe to the Business Studies Magazine (cost approx. £12.50 for 4 editions). The College has Student Support Funds for those students who have difficulty meeting these costs.

Career Possibilities

Business is worth pursuing for its own sake, but it is a useful qualification for those hoping to go directly into employment or aiming to go on to higher education. Employers like students who have studied Business as it makes them more immediately employable. Many students progress on to Business related degree courses. In addition, many degree subjects have a business module, so studying this subject can be extremely useful whatever degree students might eventually follow. Students develop skills and knowledge very relevant to the modern world.

Minimum Entry Requirements

5 GCSEs at grade A* - C, including Maths and English.

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