

A Level Accounting

Why study Accounting at A Level?

A qualification in accounting will always be helpful – whether it's used professionally or personally. This course will help you to understand the responsibilities of the accountant and the impacts of their recommendations on the business and the wider environment.

You will build knowledge and understanding of key concepts, principles and techniques that you can apply to real-life scenarios, developing the ability to solve problems logically, analyse data methodically, make reasoned choices and communicate effectively.

What will I study?

You will study financial accounting for recording past events, and management accounting for planning and decision making.

You will develop an understanding of the principles of ethical behaviour which inform the actions of all those working within an accounting environment.

You will learn the double entry model and the accounting principles and concepts which form the foundation of all financial accounting techniques. You will also learn the formulae used for computations, carry out computations and use the results to inform judgements, solve problems and make decisions.

You will develop your ability to write effectively so you can report to stakeholders, making logical arguments and providing sound judgements based on analysis of available evidence taking account of financial and non-financial factors.

You will be encouraged to keep up to date with financial news including announcements concerning the performance of leading UK businesses, and be given the opportunity to investigate their published accounts.

Assessment

A-level Accounting is assessed through examinations at the end of Year 13.

Subject entry requirements

- GCSE Maths grade 5 or above



Student Perspective

"I enjoyed the financial aspects of Business at GCSE, so I chose Accounting as well as Business in Sixth Form. Accountancy is a well paid career that I believe I will enjoy, as I like maths and money. It's interesting looking at the big firms like PwC, Deloitte and KPMG as they do a lot more than just book-keeping, and I like the ethical issues. I did an internship with PwC and now I'm deciding between university and a higher apprenticeship with a big firm."