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## ECONOMICS

Examination Board: Edexcel

Syllabus: 9EB0

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### WHY STUDY ECONOMICS?

The aims and objectives of the specifications are to enable students to: develop an interest in, and enthusiasm for, economics; appreciate the contribution of economics to the understanding of the wider economic and social environment; develop an understanding of a range of concepts and an ability to use those concepts in a variety of different contexts; use an enquiring, critical and thoughtful approach to the study of economics and develop an ability to think as an economist; understand that economic behaviour can be studied from a range of perspectives; develop analytical and quantitative skills, together with qualities and attitudes that will equip them for the challenges, opportunities and responsibilities of adult and working life.

### THE A LEVEL PROGRAMME OF STUDY: How you will be assessed

Unit	Unit contents	Assessment and duration
<b>Paper 1</b> Themes 1 & 4	Theme 1: Markets, consumers and firms Theme 4: Making markets work	Externally assessed exam 2 hours
<b>Paper 2</b> Themes 2 & 3	Theme 2: The wider economic environment Theme 3: The global economy	Externally assessed exam 2 hours
<b>Paper 3</b> Themes 1,2,3,4 (synoptic)	All of the above	Externally assessed exam 2 hours

### HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students will develop transferable skills that support study in a wide range of subjects at university and the transition to employment, including quantitative and analytical analysis, forming and testing hypotheses, and commercial awareness. The development and application of quantitative skills prepare students for study of economics and related courses at university. Skills developed on the course will support a wide range of careers ranging from finance, banking, insurance, accountancy, management and consultancy, to becoming professional economists.

### SUBJECT SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Students must achieve grade 5 or higher in mathematics and English at GCSE.

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