

GCSE Economics

Specification: OCR GCSE (9-1), J205 For first assessment in 2019

What will I be studying & How will I be assessed?

100% exam – two examinations in the summer of Year 11

Content Overview	Assessment Overview	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Economics The role of markets and money 	Introduction to Economics (J205/01)* 80 Marks 1 hour 30 minute written paper	50% of total GCSE (9–1)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economic objectives and the role of government International trade and the global economy 	National and International Economics (J205/02)* 80 Marks 1 hour 30 minute written paper	50% of total GCSE (9–1)

Anything else I need to know?

Economics is about people and their economic choices. This course enables learners to appreciate we are all part of the economy and that economics relates to every aspect of our lives – from the decisions of individuals or families to the structures created by governments and producers. It will develop learners' understanding of how economic issues affect choices about resources and markets and vice versa

Why GCSE Economics?

OCR's GCSE (9–1) in Economics will encourage learners to:

- understand how markets operate and the roles of consumers, producers or workers within markets
- understand how the economy works nationally and globally and the levers employed by governments to reach desired social and economic objectives
- actively engage in the study of Economics to develop as effective, self-motivated students, and as critical, reflective thinkers with enquiring minds, able to distinguish between fact and opinion
- understand and apply their economic knowledge and skills to investigate current and historical economic situations and issues in a range of national and global contexts
- build economic arguments, making informed judgements by using economic concepts and quantitative evidence through the use, application and interpretation of data
- understand the perspectives of different economic agents, including consumers, producers and government in relation to economic activity
- read economic articles to appreciate how leading economists approach economic problems
- consider moral, ethical and sustainability issues that arise as a result of the impact of economic activity.

Complementary Courses

Economics mainly complements Business as well as other humanities subjects, in particular Geography. Beyond GCSE, Sandbach School offers Economics A level. This can lead you on to an Economics related degree subject at different Universities, as well as top apprenticeship schemes.

Possible Career Paths

Marketing, Retail Management, Finance and Accounting, Human Resources, Production and Operations, Economics and Public Relations.

It could also give you the skills and confidence to perhaps one day run a business of your own

For more information: <https://ocr.org.uk/Images/306377-specification-accredited-gcse-economics-j205.pdf>