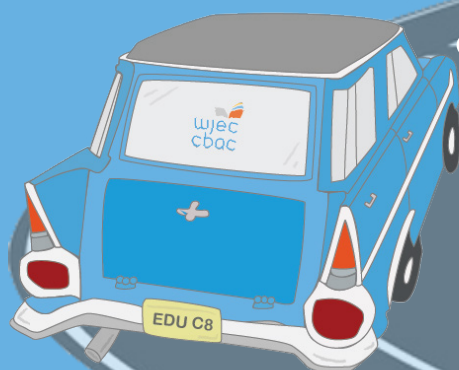


YOUR JOURNEY

TO BECOMING EXAM READY



WELCOME TO A LEVEL ECONOMICS



The WJEC A level Economics specification encourages you to develop an interest in and enthusiasm for the subject. You will be encouraged to use an enquiring, critical and thoughtful approach and to develop an ability to think as an economist.

By studying WJEC Economics, you will have the opportunity to develop an awareness of contemporary economic issues relevant to the Welsh economy and a broad understanding of the recent economic history of Wales and the UK using publicly accessible information.

As a learner you will be encouraged to develop an understanding of economic concepts and theories through consideration of current economic issues, problems and institutions that affect everyday life.

The qualification will provide you with a suitable foundation for the study of economics or a related area through a range of higher education courses, progression to the next level of qualifications or employment.

PLANNING AHEAD...

The WJEC AS and A level in Economics encourages learners to:

- develop an interest in and enthusiasm for the subject
- 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 which will equip them for the challenges, opportunities and responsibilities of adult and working life.

GIVE IT YOUR ALL!

TOP TIPS

Download the free online resources on the WJEC website

Familiarise yourself with the command words and assessment objectives

Download the WJEC A level Economics Specification

Make use of the past papers and mark schemes to familiarise yourselves with the structures of the examination papers.

Use the Online Exam Review link on the WJEC website to view examples of candidate responses to past questions, the mark awarded and the corresponding examiner comments.

Be aware of current economic issues in the world by reading internet and news articles.

WELLBEING GUIDANCE

Take baby steps.

Remember this is a journey and you will pick skills and knowledge up along the way.

Take regular breaks from studying.

Exercise, meet friends, spend time with family.

Look after yourself.

Make sure you are getting a balanced diet and get enough sleep.

Try to stay positive.

Even if you don't feel like it, a positive attitude will help you.

Remember that everyone's different.

Try not to compare yourself to others.

HOW ARE YOU ASSESSED?

A Level Economics consists of 4 Units. 2 units at AS level and 2 at A2 level.

Unit 1: Introduction to Economic Principles

Written examination: 1 hour 15 minutes 15% of A level qualification (37.5% of AS qualification)

Unit 2: Economics in Action

Written examination: 2 hours 25% of A level qualification (62.5% of AS qualification)

A2 Units

Unit 3: Exploring Economic Behaviour

Written examination: 2 hours 30% of qualification

Unit 4: Evaluating Economic Models and Policies

Written examination: 2 hours 30 minutes 30% of qualification

