

# Business

**Qualification:** OCR Cambridge Technicals Level 3 Extended Certificate in Business (2016 suite)

**Additional Entry Information:** Business GCSE C desirable but not necessary  
Speak to **Miss J Gavaghan** for more information.

## What do students need to know or be able to do before taking the course?

The Cambridge Technicals course is an A-Level equivalent course.

Students completing the two-year course will receive the Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Business. This equates to a full A-Level in terms of UCAS points.

Students who complete the first year only will receive the Level 3 Cambridge Technical Certificate. This equates to an AS-Level in terms of UCAS points.

This course consists of 3 mandatory units, 2 of which are exams and one mandatory piece of coursework. This will be done within Year 12.

The mandatory units are: The Business Environment, Working in Business and Customers & Communication.

Within Year 13 students can choose 2 optional units of coursework to complete, choices include Introduction to Human Resources, Accounting Concepts, Principles of Project Management, Responsible Business Practices, International Business and Business Events.

## What will students learn on this course (skills and course content)?

Students will learn how a business might evolve. From a small start-up business to a large multinational organisation, students will consider a range of different business types and gain an understanding of how the choice of business type might affect the objectives that are set. Students will also look at the internal workings of businesses, including their internal structure and how different functional areas work together. Plus, by looking at the external constraints under which a business must operate, you will gain an understanding of the legal, financial and ethical factors that have an impact. Students will also explore ways in which businesses respond to changes in their economic, social and technological environment; and gain an appreciation of the influence different stakeholders can have upon a business.

## What sort of student is this course suitable for?

- Students with an interest in business and the economy.
- Pupils completing this course will need to be organised & excellent attendance is essential to complete all require coursework.

## What kind of work will students need to be able to do outside of lessons?

Students will be expected to do revision for practice mock tests in order to fully prepare for the 2 mandatory exams. Pupils will also be expected to complete elements of their coursework outside of lessons independently.

Pupils will be expected to keep up to date with the business news.



## **What is the course content and how is this assessed?**

5 Units

2 Mandatory Exams (25% each= 50%)

3 Coursework Units – one of which is mandatory, 2 of which are optional (these make up the other 50%)

## **What could students go on to do at the end of this course?**

Cambridge Technicals Level 3 Extended Certificates are accepted in lieu of A-levels at almost all universities including Russell Group universities such as Bristol. This would suit anyone looking to go into a degree course or employment in Business, Marketing, HR, Accounting.

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