

Course Level

A Level

Awarding Body

AQA

Entry Requirements

6 in Maths & 5 in English

Assessment

All content is assessed by formal written examinations at the end of the course.

ACCOUNTING

A qualification in accounting will always be helpful – whether it's used professionally or personally. This course helps students to understand the responsibilities of the accountant and the impacts of their recommendations on the business and the wider environment. Over the two years, students will build knowledge and understanding of key concepts, principles, and techniques that they can apply to real-life scenarios, developing the ability to solve problems logically, analyse data methodically, make reasoned choices and communicate effectively.

Course content

The specification emphasises both **financial accounting** and the recording of past events, and **management accounting** as a means of planning and decision making. Students will also develop an understanding of the principles of ethical behaviour which inform the actions of all those working within an accounting environment. Topics covered include:

- The double entry model
- Accounting concepts
- Preparation of financial accounts for sole traders, partnerships, and limited companies
- Analysis of financial information
- Budgeting
- Costing approaches
- Investment appraisal
- Interpretation, analysis and communication of accounting information
- The impact of ethical considerations.

The final examinations will assess students' understanding of the principles of both financial and management accounting as well as their ability to apply these to financial data and business scenarios and communicate recommendations.

Career and Progression Opportunities

The qualification naturally lends itself to further study in accounting at university or through professional accountancy qualifications sponsored by a specialist accountancy practice or other employer. Equally, the insights into the accounting principles and confidence in analysing and communicating financial data will be welcome additions to the finance function within a range of a business organisations.

Link to specification: https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/accounting/a-level/accounting-7127