



Thank you for your application to study A Levels at our amazing High Pavement Sixth Form Centre, part of Nottingham College.

We're excited to be welcoming you to Nottingham College this September. Soon you'll be receiving your invitation to one of our enrolment events so that you can secure your place with us. This invitation should be with you early in August.

To help you prepare for A Levels at Nottingham College we have produced some materials and other resources for you. These are for your benefit so please do your best to look through the information relevant to the courses you have applied for. We hope you find them useful in preparing for A Level study. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

TASKS, RESOURCES AND RESEARCH

Firstly, textbooks are going to become your friends on this course. We have developed a reading list for you which can be bought for kindle too:

[AQA textbook Year 1](#)

[Revision book](#)

We also recommend [this website](#).

A full resource list is available [here](#).

We also ask that you complete [our summer task](#) in advance of your first week with us.

Finally, during this pandemic we have seen things happening that have never happened before to businesses locally and globally, likely to have a long-lasting impact on the economy.

The second year of the course includes some study of economic measures and the impact they have on business decision making. This means it would be good to understand what is happening in business as the pandemic continues.

Consider these issues:

- Which businesses have struggled the most during the pandemic?
- Does it affect some industries more than others?
- How many jobs have been lost?
- Are there any businesses that are doing better?
- What is the cost of Government measures to help individuals and businesses through the pandemic? Will there be a recession?
- What are the long term economic implications of any recession?

There are many other questions that could be asked - but these are important ones. Please try to gather some information about these during the summer to help with our discussions in class.

LEVEL **UP** for Business

Our Business A Level is hugely versatile meaning that it can provide opportunities for further study in a whole range of areas at University. You will study models, theories and techniques to help you develop a deeper understanding of business issues relevant in the modern world. You will develop the knowledge and skills needed to analyse data, think critically about issues and make informed decisions - all skills that are needed for further study and employment.

You'll study broadly about different types of business and objectives, finance and operations management, marketing and human resources. In your second year of study you'll develop a greater understanding of the strategic choices facing businesses and the importance of issues affecting businesses such as globalisation and geopolitics.



A career in Business

A huge range of career opportunities exist for those who have studied business at A Level. It will provide you with a solid foundation from which to further specialise at university for a career in:

- management
- retail
- marketing
- accountancy
- HR
- event planning
- logistics
- supply chain management
- ...and many more

With a business A Level you could also specialise with a University course that moves you into economics, psychology, sociology, history and more.

Some of our Business A Level students have gone on to accept higher level apprenticeships with large employers including Rolls Royce. The world really is your oyster.



More about studying at High Pavement

Taking care of you

Our Student Wellbeing team run activities, sessions and programmes to support your wellbeing. They also organise trips, host events and encourage you to get involved in a whole range of activities and movements in College and nationally. So, if you're passionate about the environment, why not join the Green Society, and if you want to champion LGBTQ rights, join our LGBTQ society. If you want to suggest setting something up, we're up for that too!

Who do you talk to?

Your Personal Tutor: if you need help with your course let them know right away.

Achievement Coach: if you are worried about things outside your course and you need to speak to someone, they'll be able to help you. If they can't resolve the issue, they will put you in touch with someone who can.

Careers Adviser: they can help you get advice and information about your next steps, plus work and training options. They can also access a range of support to develop the skills you need to progress to university, and ultimately into employment.

Specialist UCAS Advisers: they are at High Pavement to help with choosing your options, completing your UCAS application, and preparing for interviews. This can be particularly useful in preparing for Oxbridge, or those more difficult to access application processes, such as for medicine and veterinary science.

Student Services: if you need to talk to someone confidentially to discuss money or get some health advice, they are here for you.

Sports and activities

Love sport? You could take part in sports clubs and inter-college competitions. If you want to relax, we host stress-busting sessions to help you with your studies. We also have a wide range of sports on offer for beginners, plus activities such as British Sign Language and driving theory skills. Our specialist sports academies offer dedicated training in different sports, with the opportunity to gain coaching qualifications alongside your studies. You could even be in with the chance to apply for USA university sports scholarships. Find out more on our website.