



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

A lot has been happening in the world of economics in recent months due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Actions have been taken by Governments around the world that affect the economic landscape.

Economics students need to know what is going on in the world and be able to explain it and comment. If you could look at these newspapers online for developments in economics and business it would be a great start.

The Independent: <https://www.independent.co.uk/>

The Guardian: <https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news>

Channel 4 News: <https://www.channel4.com/news/>

The Times: You can get the first 8 weeks for £1 if you subscribe.

There is a brilliant You Tube channel produced for A Level Economics Students called [Econ Plus Dal](#).

A good starting point would be to look at these two videos on the main objectives the government sets itself and how the system works:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0PV1B0s1ISl>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2BINy9AzHhQ>

There is also a great textbook you can buy on Amazon. [The 5th edition Economics Alain Anderton](#).

The 5th Edition is much cheaper than the latest version. You can get a used copy for about £5-£8.

It's a classic book for A Level Economics and has your whole course in. Perhaps have a skim and look in a bit more detail at the first 3-4 units.

LEVEL **UP** for Economics

Economics affects everything around us, from the price we pay for a loaf of bread to the likelihood of people we know being in work.

Economics helps us to answer big questions like who will the global super powers be in 20 years' time, what industries will fail or thrive and what Government's need to do to secure their country's position in the global economy. If you enjoy learning about current and world affairs, analysing problems and debating issues, this course is for you.

Economics studies the problem of scarce resources alongside the unlimited desires of humans and society. The course studies this problem from two perspectives. Firstly it looks at how markets work to set prices and how economies deal with failures of the market mechanism. Secondly the course looks at the wider economic problems faced by government such as achieving economic growth and managing inflation. The course ends with a unit that brings both of these areas of economics together for a study of applied economics looking at specific economic problems.



A career in Economics

Economics is an interesting and widely demanded skill both in the UK and worldwide.

University study will sharpen your understanding and skills and help you pave the way in a number of fields including:

- investment
- analysis
- market research
- economics
- business finance
- accounting
- data analysis
- research and higher level (masters and PHD study)

Most universities ask that you have an A Level in maths to study Economics at degree level.



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.