Level 3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths)

Below you will find some information regarding the Level 3 Mathematical Studies course. Please note that there are some entry requirements for this course. Please speak to us if you have any queries or questions.

What is covered?

AQA Mathematical Studies, more commonly known as Core Maths, is accredited by Ofqual as a Level 3 qualification; equivalent to an AS qualification. Students learn mathematical techniques that apply directly to real-life situations. This makes the course quite distinct from AS Mathematics. Much of the content develops ideas introduced at GCSE with only 20% of the course devoted to A-level content. Core Maths supports a wide range of current post-16 qualifications, including non-mathematical AS and A-levels and vocational courses.

What does the course involve?

There are two modules, each with a 90-minute exam written at the end of Year 13. The first paper assesses comprehension of mathematical techniques; the second assesses applications and problem solving. There is no coursework involved. It requires the use of algebra, probability and logic and reasoning, including links to the real world.

Find out more We encourage you to contact us with any questions, or alternatively why not follow the link to access Padlet, our bespoke training resource.

The Padlet

Quick course facts

You should have a minimum of five GCSEs (including English) graded at 5 or above and a grade 6 or above in GCSE Mathematics.

This course will reinforce the mathematics used in many other A-Level subjects.

Mathematics content is 80% GCSE and 20% A-Level standard.

Course is covered over one year.

This course allows you to continue to study maths without having to commit to a full A-Level.

UCAS points awarded range from 6 for a grade E to 20 for a grade A.