

# Cambridge International School Dubai



*Your Choice at Post 16*

*Year 13 Curriculum Handbook  
2026-2027*

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## **Welcome to Cambridge International School Dubai**

Cambridge International School is one of the most established and successful international schools in Dubai. The school was initially founded in 1983 in Karama as The Cambridge High School. The school has well over 2997 students from around 69 nationalities attending its current campus in Al Twar.

Cambridge International School has grown from strength to strength over the years and has a well-proven track record of success in both academic and extra-curricular activities.

At Post 16, (Years 12 and 13) a wide range of courses are offered to prepare students for higher and further education, training and employment. We expect all students to select four AS courses for Year 12 and encourage students to continue through to Year 13 to study at least three subjects at A2. This will equip them to make choices from a wide range of universities and education providers, as well as preparing them for future employment.

The Post 16 Curriculum is enriched by a robust community service programme, academic and careers education and a programme of learning that develops 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. The school is an approved center for international examination boards including Edexcel, BTEC, AQA, Oxford AQA International, and Cambridge International Examinations (CIE). The school has also gained Fellowship status, a prestigious award for continuing excellence in examination results, with CIE. As of December 2017, Cambridge International School, Dubai has been accredited as an approved Test Centre for the SAT examination. Our Center Code number is 52862. CIS students can write their SAT assessments in our school premises.

A large percentage of our Post 16 students carry on to higher education. The most common pathways chosen are UK, Canadian, American, Australian, European and UAE universities. Students are guided through the various application procedures in school. Information sessions are conducted throughout the year by CIS guidance staff as well as visiting guest speakers from various local and international institutions. An annual Careers Fair and other workshops and fairs which are held on the campus at the beginning of Term 1 and throughout the year, gives students a further opportunity to meet with and discuss future options/plans with representatives from local and international universities.

Cambridge International School offers a unique international learning experience for students. Its education programme maintains a holistic perspective and is based on the principles of Global Citizenship, Growing by Learning, Pursuing Excellence and Leading Through Innovation.

## GEMS Education

GEMS, Global Educational Management Systems, manages a growing network of quality international schools, providing high standards of education to children from around the world. High service standards and a strong quality assurance programme are the hallmarks of GEMS systems. With decades of experience GEMS has the expertise to provide a variety of curriculum including the National Curriculum for England.

GEMS, has the desire, passion and capability to unlock the potential of students. Four core principles form the foundation of GEMS educational programmes, designed to guide students to reach their full all- round potential.

### Global Citizenship



We respect, care, and have empathy for all, accepting that we are all different but recognising that we are all the same. We see active participation in the community, from the most local to the most global, as the foundation of a valuable life. We celebrate diversity. We take pride in being generous. We believe social, cultural, economic and environmental awareness prepares us to play our part in shaping a sustainable future for ourselves and those around us.

### Growing by Learning



For us learning is about acquiring the knowledge, skills, behaviours and insight to expand our horizons and help us to grow. To grow, we must be open to learn. We foster the spirit of enquiry, encouraging equally creative and critical thinking. We value the mental agility to stay flexible in the face of change, adaptable in our relationships with others and nimble in our ability to put ideas into action.

### Pursuing Excellence



We see being great at something as a starting point, not an endpoint. We believe in having high standards and aspiring to be the best we can be. We strive to build resilience and strength of character, the moral compass to do the right thing, even when it's not the easy thing to do. We take accountability for our performance and set ourselves goals we know we can't reach yet, because we know that by stretching to meet them, we can get further than we imagined.

### Leading through Innovation



Innovation requires bold thinking, fresh ideas, and brave leadership. It's about entrepreneurship. Finding better ways of doing things... and doing them. To make a real contribution to a better future we must lead individual by individual, idea by idea, taking calculated risks, spotting opportunities, and acting decisively. Knowing that, by relentlessly exploring our passions, we will open up new possibilities.

## **Extend Your Post 16 Education at Cambridge**

### **What's on offer at CIS Dubai?**

The Post 16 community is an integral part of the school, and you will have many opportunities to play a full part in school life. As an older member of a community, you have a lot to offer the younger members of the school, your experience, your abilities, your example and your time. How you decide to get involved and to what extent will depend upon you, but simply by establishing a mature presence in the school you will influence the attitudes and expectations of younger students.

There is a very distinctive ethos of respect for the maturity of Post 16 students. We aim to respect the choice which has been made to continue studying and to forge a new relationship between students and teachers based on a partnership in learning. We give considerable responsibility to our students and in return expect an adult approach to their work and looking after their working environment.

There are also considerable opportunities for broadening your experience and developing important skills and qualities through the wide range of extra-curricular opportunities which you will find described in this booklet.

Here are some important features of our Post 16 provision:

- Quality teaching and results
- Excellent links with Higher Education establishments around the World. The school has a structured Career Guidance Program that includes option choices, careers fair, seminars, assemblies, psychometric assessment which gives students a wholistic approach to work on applications, opportunity to meet and speak to universities about future academic and career plans.
- A refreshed, robust and extremely successful Student Leadership Programme
- Work Experience Programme that is certificated

### **Expectations of Post 16 students at CIS Dubai**

Cambridge International School, Dubai gives you an opportunity to choose the subjects that you want to study; whether as preparation for further education or to gain the qualifications that you need in order to embark on the employment of your choice. It also gives you time to investigate more individual methods of study both in school and out of school, as you will be studying fewer subjects in Post 16. Your timetable will include Wellbeing, PSHE (Personal Social and Health Education) and Community Service time.

Study at Post 16 is demanding, whether you undertake BTEC or AS and A level courses of study. The challenges it brings to you are equally as satisfying as it provides an opportunity to explore your own interests within subject areas as well as meeting the requirements of public examinations. It is expected that for each hour of instruction in class time you devote another hour out of class time to reviewing the subject matter. You are required to show a mature attitude to your studies and the

extra opportunities open to you. Getting involved will ensure that you leave the school with the skills you need to be successful in your future.

You will be allocated a Learning Manager who will help in guiding you through your time with us. Their work is coordinated by the Head of Year 12. Learning Managers work with you in a variety of ways and act as a pivotal contact for you in school, such as registration, community- based activities and a guiding hand in applications and other formal processes. Ultimately, the motivation and drive to excel and succeed must come from within.

Post 16 students play an important part in the life of the school and through your presence, and more obviously, by participating in positions of leadership; organizing clubs and societies for younger members of the school, you are expected to lead by example.

You are required to adhere to the Post 16 dress code and respect the need for rules and responsibilities. Doing so will ensure that the Post 16 community maintains the high status that it has set within and outside of the school.

The Post 16 community is all about achieving personal and social development in addition to academic success. Teaching is even more of a partnership between students and staff. Work Experience is a compulsory part of the programme and is a very important aspect of school life.

Attendance and punctuality are taken very seriously at Cambridge and relate directly to additional benefits, such as excursions, references and leadership opportunities. Whilst you study within the Post 16 community your teachers and the Post 16 team will create a picture of you. This picture will be developed by observing your progress, attitude and the relationships that you develop with staff and peers. We are often asked for references for onward study or employment and will be asked to comment on all the above including attendance and punctuality. We therefore expect you to attend regularly and be on time for the school day and all lessons.

# The Post 16 Curriculum

## Important Notes Regarding the Post 16 Curriculum

Select **one subject** from each option block, to make a total of four subjects.

If a course is undersubscribed (less than 15 students selecting it), the course will be removed from the blocks and those students selecting that course will be contacted to select their options again.

BTEC courses are well recognised by universities in the UK and many of our students are pursuing their engineering, hospitality and other courses with scholarships in universities in US also.

Additionally, to the curriculum subjects chosen students will also have to meet the following Ministry of Education criteria to apply for High School Certificate of equivalency:

- **Arabic is compulsory for all Arab students until Year 13**
- **Islamic Studies is compulsory for Muslim students until Year 13**
- Moral Social Curriculum is compulsory for all students
- To be able to gain the Ministry of Education High School Equivalency Certificate (needed if intending to study in the UAE or if attested certificates are required for further education in another country especially GCC countries, students must complete a minimum of 2 full A level subjects by the end of Year 13. These subjects must be on the MOE list. Arabic and Islamic studies are not included as one of the qualifying two subjects. BTEC Level 3 Diploma qualifies for equivalency.
- For the High School Equivalency Certificate, it is also compulsory that students complete Year 13, (Grade 12) therefore we do advise all students to complete their full studies including Year 13 – please note if you are intending to leave after Year 12 we will require a waiver to state that you are aware you would not qualify for the MOE certificate.
- **It is mandatory for all Arab students to study Arabic until Year 13 to qualify for the High School Equivalency Certificate**
- **It is mandatory for all Muslim students to study Islamic until Year 13 to qualify for the High School Equivalency Certificate**
- **Students who leave after Year 12 must sign the undertaking saying that school is not responsible for the student not qualifying for equivalency.**

Students are required to select four AS levels in Year 12 and may drop one for Year 13 if they wish to. Full guidance will be given to students that need help in choosing their subjects. External examinations in most subjects will take place during May/June of Year 12 and Year 13. It is important to remember that all examination entries are payable by parents.

BTEC qualifications are based solely on coursework; however, changes by Pearson, the provider of BTEC, have brought about some examinable aspects to the courses in the form of Pearson Set Assessments for Mandatory Units. All BTEC courses are subject to Standards Verification by subject

specific Standards Verifier who visits the school from the UK. Consequently, these qualifications require registration near to the start of the course. Students are expected to complete the **two years** 720 Guided Learning Hours (GLH) for Level 3 BTEC Diploma in Applied Science, Business and Creative Media which is broadly equivalent to 2 A levels.

Students are also offered a 2-year, 360 Guided Learning Hours BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma Course in Sport equivalent to 1 A Level. Please ensure that you read the BTEC Level 3 section on the variety of courses available and speak to Ms. Sangeetha Philip for more information. **Only the Level 3 Diploma BTEC courses qualify for MoE equivalency and are considered equivalent to two A levels.**

## Selecting the right course of study

- Before you consider which subjects to select, research a range of university and career options so that the subjects you select satisfy the entry requirements.
- You are advised to use our online Career product called: **Unifrog** to assist you with subject selection as well as university and career options. This helps students explore many different career opportunities. Students will have the latest academic and career information available, especially when choosing IGCSE and AS Level subjects.
- Think about which subjects are prerequisites for further study or your career path.
- Ensure that you have the correct number and combination of AS, A level or BTEC subjects to satisfy any university or career requirements prior to application.
- Think about which subjects you enjoy now but also consider new subjects you haven't experienced before but which sound interesting.
- Prioritise your subjects in order of interest and value to you.
- Decide how you are going to organise your subjects across the two years.

By getting the best grades possible at IGCSE or BTEC Level 2 you will ensure you have a wide range of options available at Post 16.

## BTEC Level 3 Qualifications

BTEC Level 3 qualifications offer an excellent alternative to traditional A Levels and carry A Level equivalence. Many of our students have gone on to access studies in Medicine and Engineering using their BTEC qualification but it is important to research pathways thoroughly before selecting a course of study whether AS level or BTEC.

Learning is directed towards a particular vocational area, but the skills learned are transferable and highly valued by employers and educational institutions worldwide. It is now widely acknowledged that the job market is changing rapidly and whilst knowledge is important, enterprising skills such as adaptability, creative thinking and decision making are highly sought-after skills.

Students work on assignments, both individually and in groups, such as a group event or manager-employee role-play. BTEC courses provide opportunities for students to gather evidence in a wide variety of ways other than written text, e.g. film clips, project proposals, business plans and training

booklets. Most assignments will also be linked to the real workplace through visits or visiting speakers. Clear guidelines are given on what students have to achieve and how they can do this. Students will have to meet deadlines set by teachers but can do this at their own pace rather than having to perform to the time constraints of an exam. The progress of individuals is monitored by teachers who provide personal support and guidance, helping students develop their learning skills and reach their full potential. Students get to learn progressively starting from small-scale and simple topics, progressing to larger more complex themes.

The course is assessed by coursework and in some cases an element of examination and students may achieve a Pass, Merit or Distinction (equivalent to E, C and A respectively by the end of Year 12). BTECs offer active learning in a vocational context that, in turn, builds students' confidence, competence and motivation.

Students wishing to choose a BTEC course should have a minimum of 5 x A\* - D grades including a minimum of a C grade in English. Students may mix and match AS levels with BTEC provided they meet the entry criteria for the relevant subjects. It is advised that students do not take more than two BTEC subjects due to the coursework demands and being able to meet deadlines.

BTEC courses are vocational, work-related qualifications.

The Diploma course has **720 GLH** completed over a period of 2 years of which 360 GLH will be completed in Year 12 and 360 GLH in Year 13 to achieve an overall Award (Diploma) equivalent to 2 A levels.

A certain number of **mandatory** and **optional** units will be covered as part of the qualification. All units are assignment based, allowing the learner to build up a portfolio of their work. There are no exams. Assessment will be through written assignments, practical work, coursework, and presentations for which a Pass, Merit or Distinction Grade can be achieved.

Students must meet the minimum requirement for all the learning outcomes for each unit with pass to be able to complete the unit.

Please see the below table for a breakdown of the costs and what is included.

Course of Study	Cost (AED)	What does this cost cover?
<b>Level 3 Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BTEC Level 3 Creative Media Production</li> <li>• BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Applied Science</li> <li>• BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Business</li> <li>• BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Sport</li> </ul>	AED 2500	This cost covers the registration of your son/daughter with the exam board and the external moderation of the coursework. This fee covers <b>only Year 13</b> .

## **CIS Post 16 Community Service**

The CIS Community Service Programme is a dynamic pastoral programme that is an integral part of the Post 16 curriculum. Every Post 16 student develops personal skills and attributes through the completion of a variety of Community Service activities across the Lower, Middle and Senior schools as well as outside of school. This valuable addition to the Post 16 curriculum is monitored and certificated by the school. Exactly what is selected will depend upon the AS level choices, personal interests and what lends itself best to a particular career pathway. Students are left to make their own decisions about their area of focus. Some examples of the work students have completed in the past include:

- Post 16 students assisting in Foundation Stage, Middle School and Senior School classes.
- Initiating and running after school stay back with the support of staff.
- Planning school events and organizing fund raising events
- Supporting the ACE department with students in classes and around the school
- Developing the student careers support programme alongside the Careers Advisor

The Community Service Programme has developed greatly since its inception, particularly in the area of activities offered and the way it is successfully conducted with the assistance of the students. As the program is run for students by students it offers many opportunities for all those wanting to take an active leadership role within the school. Its success is also due to the cooperation and feedback from the students and staff who are regularly surveyed for their feedback and ideas on how it can be improved.

### **Induction: Making a Successful Start to Post 16**

Post 16 students will take part in an induction programme at the start of term. Attendance is compulsory for all and is extremely important for new students joining CIS.

This interactive programme will focus on developing the necessary skills required for a successful transition into the Post 16 community, particularly if you are a student joining us from a different school. Concepts such as team building, target setting, research techniques, critical thinking and self-management will be explored. This induction is also an excellent way for students to interact with one another, get to know their Learning Manager and become familiar with the expectations of student life in the Post 16 community.

## **Careers and Higher Education Guidance**

Higher Education choices are discussed from an early point in Year 11 and 12. This is done to establish the importance of AS level subject choices.

Cambridge has strong links with universities in a number of countries. Guests from visiting universities are invited to school to give presentations on a variety of aspects of university life such as how to apply and life on campus. The destination of all students is important and so our programme of support for students is strong and targeted at preparation for both University and the work-place. The school continues to develop students' ability to be prepared for Higher Education in many different ways, including:

- Experts in both Careers and Higher Education brief students on the range of opportunities available to them and the process of application.
- All students receive an interview with a member of the Post 16 team which helps inform decision making.
- Representatives of various jobs and companies in the local community are invited to deliver seminars outlining the demands and requirements of their area of work.
- Visits to local Higher Education fairs stimulate ideas and test out options.
- Students are trained in writing CVs, application forms and in interview skills.
- Mock interviews are carried out for work and university applicants.
- An experienced and dedicated team oversees the applications of all students and writes positive, detailed references.

### **Higher Education Application Support**

The Careers Counsellor provides support to all Senior students collaboratively with Head of Year and Learning Managers, irrespective of which country they are applying to study in.

The Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) is a central organisation that processes applications for the majority of courses in the UK. Their website [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) provides detailed information about courses and institutions in the UK. There is a parent section [www.ucas.com/parents](http://www.ucas.com/parents) where parents can become more familiar with the application process and can sign up for bulletins from UCAS, which provide news and information, as well as important deadlines.

Students are supported by a dedicated Careers Counsellor with all applications processes. Students are encouraged to begin the application process early, with the first stage being to choose a subject area/specific course to study. The course search section of the UCAS website will help to narrow the options and help to make your decision.

UCAS applications are carried out online and candidates are required to pay a fee. Students are supported and guided through this application procedure in school but are encouraged to carry out their own personal research with their parents in order to make informed decisions.

## **Learning Manager Support and Guidance**

The Learning Manager is the focal point for resolving any anxieties or concerns on the part of students, parents or teachers. Learning Managers see all students twice a day for morning registration and form time, which enables close monitoring of attendance and a strong supportive relationship to develop. Learning Managers also meet with all students regularly through the year for personal progress reviews in which the focus is on academic performance and determining helpful targets and strategies for improvement.

### **Year 13 and Private Study**

Some students may have a slightly reduced timetable in Year 13 due to the number of subjects they have selected in their final year of study. Students are encouraged to use this time to maintain some balance in their lives beyond school, not only to complete the work set but also to extend themselves through reading, review and revision. It is vital for Post 16 students to appreciate the demands of A Level courses before they begin and to learn to manage time effectively. In order to achieve this, we provide a structure at first as students learn essential skills, and then gradually give students the responsibility for their own time, until they have the independence and maturity to cope with the total freedom of university. Year 13 students will also be accessing the community service programme during this time.

## **Further Opportunities at Cambridge**

### **Sport**

Students who wish to continue their sporting participation have the opportunity of both on-site and off-site activities, in competitive teams and for fitness and recreation. Our school teams compete successfully at the highest level and individual students have represented us in regional events. You will have the option of continuing core PE lessons in your Complementary Study time.

The post 16 students will have a timetabled session of sport in the week and will be expected to actively participate in this; studies have shown that exercise helps students to feel less stressed and to perform better. The sport session will be flexible to suit a range of different requirements.

### **Debate, Public Speaking, Model United Nations and Journalism**

Cambridge has a very strong successful tradition in these areas, and this is something the school wants to build upon further. Students with a talent for writing or speaking have no shortage of opportunities for the development and practice of their skills. Post 16 students will play a pivotal role in assisting in the production of the school newsletter and yearbook, as well as the organisation of major school events.

## Post 16 Student Council and Leadership Body Opportunities

Involvement in this committee gives students an opportunity to discuss issues that are of concern to them and play a role in helping positive changes to take place. The committee meets regularly, planning upcoming social events and other extracurricular activities. The Post 16 Student Council work as a team; helping to shape the future of their growing community.

There are significant opportunities for students to develop their leadership capacity and capabilities. At Cambridge there are a number of leadership roles that students can engage with and are encouraged, as senior students in the school, to lead by example by role modeling excellent behaviour and attitudes.

### Gaining Entry to Post 16

In order to make the right decisions about subjects of study, you need support from many people; subject staff, the Year 11 team and Post 16 team, family and friends. You will need to research thoroughly, looking into university access requirements prior to selecting courses of study.

All application forms are provided in the Options booklet. All you need to do is **print them out, complete and submit them to the Post 16 team before the published deadlines**, gaining support along the way.

You will find that most subject combinations can be accommodated in our option blocks. If your particular subject combination cannot be fitted, it is always worth letting us know if there is sufficient demand for additional groups. Equally, it is possible that certain courses may not run if numbers are insufficient.

The Post 16 team will be drawn from our current pool of Learning Managers and leaders, including the student body. Those chosen will have prior experience of the needs of Post 16 students and how best to support them.

Detailed on the next few pages are the admissions criteria that all applicants need to meet in order to secure a place on courses of study. It is important to consider the range and combination of courses as the admissions criteria are achievable, yet challenging. It is also important to understand that subjects cannot be moved from one option block to another. When selecting options, you need to ask yourself the following three questions:

1. Have I achieved/Am I on target to achieve the required IGCSE/BTEC grades to access the courses I want to study?
2. Are the subjects I want to study in separate blocks?
3. Are there 4 subjects that I will dedicate myself to?

If the answer to these questions is 'yes', you are well on the path towards making a successful application to Cambridge Post 16. If the answer is no, you may need to seek some further advice.

## Criteria for Admissions to Year 13 are as follows:

- A minimum grade D at AS level in the subject you wish to continue at A level. See Subject Admission Requirements page)
- Fully completed Post 16 Application Form, including a **reference letter** from the school
- A Post 16 contract signed by the student and parents committing to positive behaviour and regular attendance

Places at CIS are not confirmed until August, when results are received and confirmed, this applies to all candidates internal and external.

Progress from Year 12 to Year 13 is dependent on satisfactory completion of the Year 12 course and regular attendance.

What to do when you receive your AS results in August 2024

Places in Post 16 at Cambridge are limited so it is important to secure your place within 5 days of receiving your results or you may miss the opportunity to study at Cambridge next year.

1. If you achieved the entry requirements for the subjects you selected at interview; contact the Vice Principal by e-mail at [l.franco\\_cis@gemsedu.com](mailto:l.franco_cis@gemsedu.com) to confirm your place (subject to receiving a conditional offer letter from the school).
2. If you did not achieve the grades required, you must contact the school and attend an interview straight away to discuss what options are available to you.

For further information please contact or visit the school and speak to:

Head of Year 13: Mrs. Rini Praseeth [r.praseeth\\_cis@gemsedu.com](mailto:r.praseeth_cis@gemsedu.com)



**Subject: Ministry of Education legislation which will affect schools offering UK curriculum**

There has been a recent change of legislation by the Ministry of Education (MOE), which will improve Arabic and Islamic Studies provision for British school curriculum students but will also have an impact for those pupils who wish to leave Secondary Education in Year 12 and require an MOE High School Equivalency Certificate.

The background is that, as you will probably know, the British system operates in a different grading system to the IB, MOE and American counterparts in terms of naming the various age stages of learning. So, for example, a six-to seven-year-old entering Year 2 in a British school would be at Grade 1 level in a non-British institution and a 16 to 17-year-old entering Year 12 would be at Grade 11 in an American, MOE or IB school.

In order to align the MOE has decided to remedy the situation by aligning Years and Grades in all schools based in the UAE and some Emirates have done this before others (Abu Dhabi and Sharjah). From **2022-23**, all British curriculum students will have to complete Year 13 before leaving Secondary Education as a result of the MOE Resolution No. (883) of 2019 which we shared with you previously and during the Options Evening.

Year 12 students from British schools (i.e. aged 16-17) can still leave school at this age, but they will not obtain the Equivalency Certificate. This may impact their ability to go into further education, particularly here in the UAE or other regional institutions such as in Egypt. This will depend on the requirements of the various universities. As well as the duration of national services.

We appreciate these new changes to the system are somewhat challenging and so our schools will also offer more explanation as necessary should you wish to discuss further the implications for your child.

Rest assured; the school will support you fully in securing the best possible outcome for your child.

**Kind regards,**

**Lourdina Franco**  
**Vice Principal**

# High School Equivalency Requirements

1. For Private Schools that apply the **British educational system**, the following requirements must be met to equalize the high school certificate to the Ministry's secondary school certificate (without defining any track)

- Apply the general conditions stipulated in Article 4 of this Resolution.
- The student must complete the 12th grade or equivalent.
- The student must pass 5 GCSE or IGCSE courses with grades: (A \*, A, B, C, D) or (3 to 9).

These 5 courses must include:

- Mathematics
- One of the science subjects (Physics, Chemistry, Biology) or Combined Science Subject
- One of the following two English subjects: either English Language or English literature.

d. Students must pass two (2) subjects in GCE Advanced Level in one of the success grade scales: (A \*, A, B, C, D) or equivalent grades.

e. Islamic Education and Arabic Language are not counted in both levels.

f. Subjects studied should be chosen from the list defined by the relevant Ministry regulations.

## High School Equivalency Requirements Based on Ministerial Decree 199 in 2019

Approved Courses in the British Curriculum (IGCSE and GCSE)								
الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	علوم الكمبيوتر	Computer Science	Mathematics and ICT	فنون ولغات	الفن و التصميم: التصميم الجرافيكى	Art and Design: Graphic Design	Arts & Language	
	الرياضيات	Mathematics			الأدب العالمى	World Literature		
	الرياضيات (مقدم)	Further Mathematics			الأدب (إنجليزي / أمريكي)	Literature (English) (US)		
	الرياضيات البحتة	Pure Mathematics			الأدب باللغة الإنجليزية	Literature in English		
علوم	الزراعة	Agriculture	Sciences	العلوم الإنسانية	الإنجليزية	English as a Second Language	English	
	التغذية و الصحة	Food and Nutrition			الإنجليزية كلغة ثانية	First Language English		
	فيزياء	Physics			الإنجليزية كلغة أولى	History		
	أحياء	Biology			تاريخ	Geography		
	علوم مشتركة	Combined Sciences			لغات	جغرافيا	Spanish	Languages
	علوم منسقة (مزدوجة)	Co-ordinated Sciences (Double)				الإسبانية	French	
	كيمياء	Chemistry				الفرنسية	Portuguese	
	دراسات الأعمال	Business Studies				البرتغالية	German	
العلوم الاجتماعية	تجارة	Commerce	Social Sciences	لغات	الألمانية	Japanese	Mathematics and ICT	
	محاسبة	Accounting			اليابانية	Chinese		
	اقتصاد	Economics			الصينية	ICT		
	علم نفس	Psychology			تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	Design and Technology		
	علم الاجتماع	Sociology			الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	التصميم و التكنولوجيا		

Approved Courses in the British Curriculum (AS/AL)											
الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	علوم الكمبيوتر	Computer Science	Mathematics and ICT	AL/AS	فنون ولغات	الفن و التصميم: التصميم المرآة	Art and Design: Graphic Design	Arts & Language	AL/AS		
	تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات التطبيقية	Applied ICT		AL/AS		الوسائط الرقمية و التصميم	Digital Media and Design		AL/AS		
	تقنية المعلومات	Information Technology Design and Technology		AL/AS		اللغة و الأدب في اللغة الانجليزية	Language and Literature in English		AS		
	التصميم و التكنولوجيا	Design and Technology		AL/AS		اللغة الإنجليزية	English Language		AL		
علوم	الإدارة البيئية	Environmental Management	Sciences	AS	العلوم الإنسانية	الأدب باللغة الإنجليزية	Literature in English	Humanities	AL/AS		
	علوم الغذاء	Food Studies		AL		الدراسات الكلاسيكية	Classical Studies		AL/AS		
	احياء	Biology		AL/AS		تاريخ	History		AL/AS		
	كيمياء	Chemistry		AL/AS		جغرافيا	Geography		AL/AS		
	فيزياء	Physics		AL/AS		اليابانية	Japanese		AS		
العلوم الاجتماعية	القانون	Law	Social Sciences	AL/AS	لغات	الاسبانية	Spanish	Languages	AL/AS		
	الأعمال	Business		AL/AS		الفرنسية	French		AL/AS		
	علم النفس	Psychology		AL/AS		البرتغالية	Portuguese		AL/AS		
	علم الاجتماع	Sociology		AL/AS		الصينية	Chinese		AS		
	المحاسبة	Accounting		AL/AS		الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	الرياضيات (متقدم)		Further Mathematics	Mathematics and ICT	AL
	الاقتصاد	Economic		AL/AS		الرياضيات البحتة	Pure Mathematics		AL		
						الرياضيات	Mathematics		AL/AS		

### Ministerial Resolution No. (40) of 2023

#### Concerning the equivalence of vocational secondary certificates issued by private schools

##### Article Three

BTEC Level 3 Diploma is equivalent to a vocational high school certificate according to the following conditions:

1. The general conditions stipulated in Article 2 of this decision must be applied.
2. The student must fulfill one of the following two conditions:
  - a. The student must pass five (5) subjects at the Ordinary Level (GCSE Level or IGCSE) with one of the passing grades (A\*, A, B, C, D, E) or (9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3). Provided that the student chooses the subjects prescribed for study from among the subjects specified by the Ministry

In the relevant regulatory decisions, Islamic education and the Arabic language are not counted among the subjects.

B. Or the student has successfully obtained the IB Middle Years Program (MYP) Certificate

3. The student should successfully obtain (with a score of no less than PP) a BTEC Level 3 Diploma with no less than one hundred and twenty (120) credit hours (credit points) from among the subjects specified by the Ministry in the relevant regulatory decisions.

## Pathways

The first step towards your future career is to plan out the journey. The activity below is designed to help you map this out effectively so that you are able to make better informed decisions. If you have a couple of different careers in mind, you will need to use multiple pathway maps. In order to complete your map, you will need to complete some research.

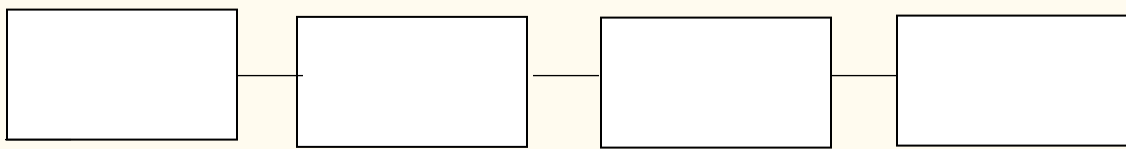
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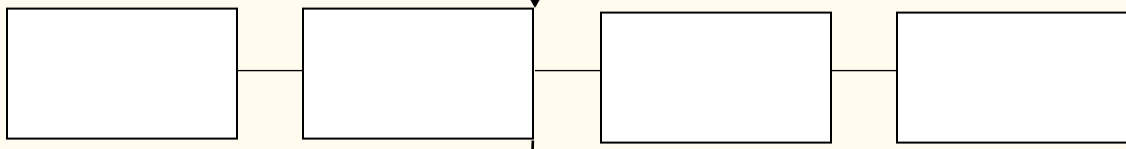
What qualifications are needed? (i.e. degree, vocational cert' etc...)



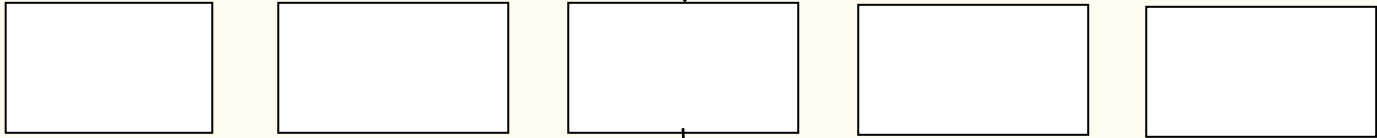
What are the pre-requisites in order to achieve the



What are the Year 13 requirements/needs?



What are the Year 12 requirements?



What grades do I need to access these courses and what am I

Subject and grade						
Currently predicted						

## Year 13 Subject Selection 2026-27

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CIS Returning/ New Student

### Mandatory Subjects: CIPQ, Moral Social Cultural Studies, Islamic/ PSHE, Debate/ Online Courses

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4
Art and Design	Economics (CIE)	Biology	Psychology
Maths (CIE) / Maths (Edexcel)	Chemistry	Law	Physics
Accounting	History	Maths (Edexcel)	Business (CIE) / Business (Edexcel)
Sociology	Maths (Edexcel)	Economics (Edexcel)	English Literature
Business (CIE)	Information Technology	Computer Science	BTEC Sport (Level 3 - Subsidiary Diploma)
BTEC Applied Science (Level 3 – Diploma)		BTEC Creative Media (Level 3 – Diploma)	
BTEC Business (Level 3 – Diploma)		Psychology	
BTEC Performing Arts (Level 3 – Subsidiary Diploma)			

#### 1. Final confirmed subjects:

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4

#### 2. Kindly select one of the below by ticking (v) the appropriate selection:

MOE Subject	Islamic Studies (Muslim)		PSHE (Non- Muslim)	

#### 3. As per the Ministry of Education, all Arab students must study Arabic A until Year 13 (grade 12). The below subjects are offered to the non- Arab students. Kindly complete the below table.

Arabic A (Arabs only)	CIE International Project Qualification (IPQ)	Debate	Online Courses

**Selected subject:** First Preference: \_\_\_\_\_ Second Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Important notes

- Students have a choice to continue with four A level subjects or drop one and continue with three. Most universities look for three A levels while the MOE requirement for equivalency is one A level subjects that are listed on their list.
- All course and examination fees are payable at the start at the point of admission. Should exam boards increase their fees after this point, parents will be informed of the fee change.

## Subject Specific Requirements

To gain access to a course, you should be attaining/predicted the following grades:

Subject	Year 12 Entry Grade	Year 13 Entry Grade	Additional Comments
Accounting	B	D	Minimum A grade in Maths if Accounting has not been studied at IGCSE
Art and Design	B	D	If not studied at IGCSE, you will need to provide a portfolio of work to support your application
Biology	A*/A	D	Must have studied this subject at I/GCSE level
BTEC Courses	A*- D	Pass	Five I/GCSE passes at A*-D with C grade in English
Business (CIE)	B	D	Minimum B in First Language English or A*/A in Second Language English, if Business Studies has not been studied in IGCSE
Business (Edexcel)	B	D	Minimum B in First Language English or A*/A in Second Language English, if Business Studies has not been studied in IGCSE
Chemistry	A*/A	D	Must have studied this subject at I/GCSE level
Computer Science	B	D	Minimum grade A in Maths if Computer Science has not been studied at IGCSE
Economics (CIE)	B	D	Minimum A in Math and Minimum B in First Language English or A*/A in Second Language English, if Economics has not been studied in IGCSE
Economics (Edexcel)	B	D	Minimum A in Math and Minimum B in First Language English or A*/A in Second Language English, if Economics has not been studied in IGCSE
English Literature	A	C	Minimum A grade in IGCSE/O Level First Language English/Literature. An A* in English as a Second Language may be considered after a screening.
Information Technology	B	D	If IGCSE ICT, or equivalent, has not been completed, applicant requires a B grade in English First Language and Maths
Maths	A* or A	D	Achievement profile to be considered if not achieved grade. Applicants require a Min B grade in M1 in year 12 to opt M2 in year 13 Students admitted on conditional basis: Must achieve a minimum C grade in the October/November re-sit and a grade D in the Pre-Mock exam in Year 13
Digital Media and Design	B	D	Minimum B grade in English 1st Language/Literature. An A*/A in Second Language English may be considered
Physics	A*/A	D	Must have studied this subject at I/GCSE level
Psychology	B	D	Minimum B grade in Psychology or 1st Language English. An A in Second Language English may be considered
Sociology	B	D	Minimum B grade in Sociology or 1st Language English. An A*/A in Second Language English may be considered
Law	B	D	Minimum B grade in 1st Language English. An A*/A in Second Language English may be considered

## Positive Education and Curriculum for Life

Cambridge International School recognises the importance of Martin Seligman's Positive Psychology approach and introduced the **Positive Education Enhanced Curriculum (PEEC)** in January 2021. It is a whole school, proactive approach that endeavors to provide students with skills and knowledge for when difficulties arise. At all times, we strive to adopt a strength-based approach; the idea of having a language about what is right within our community. We encourage students to learn from their mistakes, to evaluate if it is increasing the wellbeing of students and giving them the resilience and the ability to successfully cope and manage with life's challenges.

PEEC is an evidence-based approach, that is continually evolving as we tailor it to our curriculum and the needs of students at CIS. This year, we have introduced a **NEW** Curriculum for Life across the whole school. The Curriculum for Life comprises of explicit PEEC lessons that link to the six domains (Positive Engagement, Positive Accomplishment, Positive Purpose, Positive Emotions, Positive Relationships and Positive Health) and bespoke sessions on financial literacy, future careers and sustainability development goals. The amount of time spent teaching Wellbeing differs across departments and year groups and is reviewed annually.

In our Curriculum, we have timetabled 40 minutes of this session called Curriculum for Life. Though we do run other pastoral programs- Moral Ed, House Assemblies, House families or even the Head of Year (HoY) Assembly, this program will be taught by the Learning Manager (LM).

At Cambridge International School, we are committed to promoting positive mental health and emotional wellbeing to all students, their families and members of staff and governors. Wellbeing is at the heart of everything that we do! Our open culture allows students' voices to be heard and by using effective policies and procedures we ensure a safe and supportive environment for all. It is our mission to create students who are emotionally resilient, flexible and inspired to reach their full potential. Studies have shown that where students have access to Positive Education, their performance has remained high – meeting the criteria of HPL, where everyone is a high performer!

It is important that the relationship and rapport that a teacher has with their students is the best Positive Education tool available and that is why it is important for teachers and students to align and work in collaboration for the wellbeing of both.

The curriculum provides opportunities for our teachers and parents in our community to learn the principles of Positive Education. We endeavor to role model and live according to these principles. We will be explicitly and implicitly teaching the related topics of wellbeing. We endeavor to embed these principles in our whole school practices and policies.

## Wellbeing Vision and Mission

Wellbeing is at the heart of everything that we do!



Cambridge International School  
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### Vision

At CIS, our vision is for all students to flourish in a safe and nurturing environment, where we uphold our core values of respect, empathy, honesty, responsibility and perseverance.

### Mission

We strive to create an inclusive community that empowers all students to be high performance learners, through the promotion of wellbeing and positive mental health.



## CIE Accounting AS/ A Level Syllabus 9706

### Course Outline

The specific aim of the course is to develop a critical and analytical approach to examining and evaluating accounting policies and practices and develop skills of communication, analysis, interpretation and presentation of both qualitative and quantitative accounting information.



**In accounting class, our students are our biggest asset!**



### Assessment Summary

For Cambridge International AS and A Level Accounting, candidates follow a staged assessment route by taking Papers 1 and 2 (for the Cambridge International AS Level qualification) in one series, then Paper 3 and Paper 4 (for the Cambridge International A Level qualification) in a later series.

Component	AS Level	A Level
<b>Paper 1: Multiple Choice – 1 hour</b> Candidates answer 30 multiple choice questions on AS topics. There are 30 marks for this paper.	28%	14%
<b>Paper 2: Fundamentals of Accounting 1 hour 45 minutes</b> Four structured questions on the AS Level syllabus content Question 1 on Financial Accounting (30 marks) Questions 2 and 3 on Financial Accounting (2 × 15 marks) Question 4 on Cost and Management Accounting (30 marks) Total 90 marks	72%	36%
<b>Paper 3 Financial Accounting -1 hour 30 mins</b> Paper 3 tests the additional content for A Level, but also requires knowledge and understanding of Financial Accounting from the AS Level content. The paper consists of 3 structured questions on Financial Accounting (3 × 25 marks) Total 75 marks	--	30%
<b>Paper 4 – Cost and Management Accounting – 1 hour</b> Paper 4 tests on the additional content for A Level, but also requires knowledge and understanding of Cost and Management Accounting from the AS Level content. The paper consists of 2 structured questions on Cost and Management Accounting (2 × 25 marks) Total 50 marks	--	20%

### Career and University Pathways

A Level Accounting lays a strong foundation for students aspiring to pursue careers in fields such as Finance & Accounting, Business Administration (BBA), or an MBA. Success in this subject can open doors to further studies in areas like Management Accounting, Financial Accounting, Chartered Accountancy, Financial Analysis, and Cost Accounting, among other business-related disciplines. Additionally, it can lead to career opportunities in Banking, Management, Insurance, and various sectors of Industry.

## CIE Art and Design AS/A Level Syllabus 9479

Students gain lifelong skills, such as the ability to communicate concepts and feelings, research and evaluation skills. Students develop an understanding and appreciation of practical design problems and how to solve these.



### Course Outline

The study of Art helps to develop in-depth subject knowledge and understanding which are so important to universities and employers. The course stimulates interest, enjoyment and personal enrichment as well as introducing artistic exploration and design thinking.

### Assessment Summary

Cambridge International AS Level: AS candidates take Components 1 and 2 only. Cambridge International A Level: Component 3 or A Level, candidates can take all 3 components.

Component 1	Requirement	Weighting
<b>Coursework</b> There are <b>two</b> parts to the coursework: – a portfolio <b>and</b> – a final outcome.	Candidates research, develop and realise a project from one area of study in the syllabus content. <b>Externally assessed</b>	100 marks 50% of the AS Level 25% of the A Level
Component 2	Requirement	Weighting
<b>Externally Set Assignment 15 hours</b> There are <b>two</b> parts to the assignment: – supporting studies, created during the preparation period <b>and</b> – a final outcome	Candidates choose one starting point to develop into a personal response. <b>Externally assessed</b>	100 marks 50% of the AS Level 25% of the A Level
Component 3	Requirement	Weighting
<b>Personal Investigation</b> There are <b>two</b> parts to the investigation: – practical work <b>and</b> – written analysis (1000–1500 words).	Candidates investigate a theme, idea, concept or process that is personal to them. The practical work and written analysis must form an integrated submission. <b>Externally assessed</b>	100 marks

### Career and University Pathways

With the myriad of opportunities available for graduates focusing in on a career in Art and Design, the choices are as endless as the imagination of those that are looking for the employment opportunities. Students with art and design degrees find work in nearly every industry imaginable. Currently, the most stable areas for graduates to focus on include working for Corporate Entities, Agencies, or Advertising firms.

## CIE Biology AS/A Level Syllabus 9700



### Course Outline

Teaching of this subject is based on scientific enquiry through context to satisfy knowledge, skills and understanding as well as fulfilling university requirements. The subject also deals with the technological world with an informed interest in scientific matters, and excellent foundation beyond Cambridge International A Level in biological sciences, in further education and professional courses.

### Assessment Summary

Paper	Paper Title	Duration
1	Multiple Choice	1 Hour 15 minutes
2	AS Structured Questions	1 Hour 15 minutes
3	Practical Test	2 Hours
4	Structured Questions (A2)	2 Hours
5	Planning, Analysis and Evaluation	1 Hour 15 minutes

AS candidates are required to enter for Papers 1, 2 & 3

A2 candidates are required to enter for Papers 4 & 5

### Career and University Pathways

This course prepares students for a career in Biological Sciences. Studying Biology teaches us to ask questions, make observations, evaluate evidence and solve problems. Biologists learn how they interact with one another and how they evolve.

There are many options for everyone with an interest in Biology and rewarding career opportunities eg. Biology Educator, Bio Chemist, Genetic Engineering, Dietician, Doctor, Ecologist, Health officer, Medical Lab, Marine Biologist, Microbiologist, Radiographer, Veterinary Doctor, Beauty Therapist, Agriculturist, Oceanographer, Pathologist and many more.

## CIE Business AS/A Level Syllabus 9609

### Course Outline

Students develop an understanding and appreciation of the nature and scope of business and its role in society whilst examining the various types of business organisations. As well as investigating the process of decision-making in business, the course aims to develop the student's own skills in terms of analysis of problems, interpretation of data and communication. A keen interest in the business world and an enthusiasm and willingness to read around the subject are essential.



### Assessment Summary

For Cambridge International AS and A Level, candidates follow a staged route taking Papers 1 and 2 (for Cambridge International AS Level qualification) in one series, then Paper 3 and Paper 4 (for the Cambridge International A Level qualification) in a later series.

Component	AS Level	A Level
<b>Paper 1- Business Concepts 1 - 1 hour 15 mins</b> <b>Section A:</b> four short answer questions. There are two parts to the first three questions. <b>Section B:</b> one essay from a choice of two. There are two parts to each essay. Questions are based on the AS Level subject content. (40 marks)	40%	20%
<b>Paper 2- Business Concepts 2 – 1 hour 30 mins</b> Two data response questions. There are six parts to each question. Questions are based on the AS Level subject content. (60 marks)	60%	30%
<b>Paper 3 - Business Decision-Making – 1 hour 45 mins</b> Five questions based on a case study. There are three parts to Question 3 and two parts to Question 4. Questions are based on the A Level subject content; knowledge of material from the AS Level subject content is assumed. (Total: 60 marks)	--	30%
<b>Paper 4 - Business Strategy – 1 hour 15 mins</b> Two essay questions based on a case study. Questions are based on the A Level subject content; knowledge of material from the AS Level subject content is assumed. (Total: 40 marks)	--	20%

### Career and University Pathways

Students with A Level Business Studies have access to a wide range of possible career and higher education opportunities. You learn and use a variety of transferable skills throughout the course. These include the important business skills of decision making and planning. You can start a career in business armed with an excellent knowledge of how businesses operate. You may choose a range of professional and business careers including Leisure Management, Financial Service, Retailing, Marketing, Public Service Management and Human Resource Management. The course would also be of interest to those that have ambitions to start their own business at some stage in their lives.

**International  
AS/A Level  
Business  
Edexcel  
Syllabus  
XBS11/YBS11**



**Course Outline**

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**Assessment Summary**

<b>Unit 1: Marketing and People</b>	<b>Unit 2: Managing Business Activities</b>
<b>Unit code: WBS11/01</b> Written exam: 2 hours (Total: 80 marks)	<b>Unit code: WBS12/01</b> Written exam: 2 hours (Total: 80 marks)
<b>Three compulsory sections:</b> <b>Section A:</b> Short- and extended-response questions based on sources (30 marks) <b>Section B:</b> Same format as Section A, based on different sources (30 marks) <b>Section C:</b> One 20-mark essay question, based on one or more sources (20 marks)	<b>Three compulsory sections:</b> <b>Section A:</b> Short- and extended-response questions based on sources (30 marks) <b>Section B:</b> Same format as Section A, based on different sources (30 marks) <b>Section C:</b> One 20-mark essay question, based on one or more sources (20 marks)
<b>Unit 3: Business decisions and strategy</b>	<b>Unit 4: Global business</b>
<b>Unit code: WBS13/01</b> Written exam: 2 hours (Total: 80 marks)	<b>Unit code: WBS14/01</b> Written exam: 2 hours (Total: 80 marks)
<b>Section A:</b> Short and extended-response questions, based on sources (40 marks). <b>Section B:</b> One 20-mark essay question, based on one or more sources (20 marks). <b>Section C:</b> One 20-mark essay question, based on one or more sources (20 marks).	<b>Section A:</b> Short and extended-response questions, based on sources (40 marks). <b>Section B:</b> One 20-mark essay question, based on one or more sources (20 marks). <b>Section C:</b> One 20-mark essay question, based on one or more sources (20 marks).

**Career and University Pathways**

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## CIE Chemistry AS/ A Level Syllabus 9701



### Course Outline

This course is designed to stimulate students by creating and sustaining their interest in Chemistry, as well as understanding its relevance to the society. Students will develop skills and abilities that are paramount to the safe practice of Science and everyday life. This course also enables the students to become confident citizens in a technological world and to take an informed interest in matters of scientific importance.

### Assessment Summary

Paper	Paper Title	Duration
1	Multiple Choice	1 hour 15 minutes
2	(AS) Structured Questions	1 hour 15 minutes
3	Practical Test	2 hours
4	(A2) Structured Questions	2 hours
5	Planning, Analysis and Evaluation	1 hour 15 minutes

AS candidates are required to enter for papers 1, 2 and 3

A2 candidates are required to enter for papers 4 & 5

### Career and University Pathways

CIE, Chemistry 9701, AS and A Level curriculum prepares the students to meet the challenges and the requirements outside Cambridge International school. The career options in chemistry are practically endless as chemistry is an integral part of Biology and Physics.

They help develop the in-depth subject knowledge and understanding which are so important to universities and employers. After the completion of a full A Level qualification, candidates can then continue their university education for majoring into various fields in Science and Technology like Chemistry Educator, Biotechnologist, Pharmacist, Forensic Scientist, Research Scientist, Industrial Scientist and many more.

# CIE Computer Science AS/ A Level Syllabus 9618

The aim of the Cambridge International AS and A Level Computer Science syllabus is to encourage learners to develop an understanding of the fundamental principles of computer science and how computer programs work in a range of contexts.



## Course Outline

Cambridge International AS & A Level Computer Science encourages learners to meet the needs of Higher Education courses in computer science as well as twenty-first century digital employers. It encourages learners to think creatively, through applying practical programming solutions, demonstrating that they are effective users of technology. Candidates can take this syllabus alongside other Cambridge International syllabuses in a single exam series. **The only exception is for Cambridge International AS & A Level Information and Communication Technology 9626 Assessment**

## Assessment Summary

The two assessment objectives in Computer Science are knowledge and understand and problem-solving skills

### A Level

Paper 3 Advanced Theory	Paper 4 Practical
<b>Duration 1 hour 30 minutes</b>	<b>Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes</b>
Paper 3 will assess sections 13 to 20 of the syllabus content. It is a written paper. <b>Externally assessed</b> Candidates answer all questions	Paper 4 will assess sections 19 to 20 of the syllabus content, except for low-level and declarative programming. Candidates will submit complete program code and evidence of testing. Candidates answer all questions on a computer without internet or email facility. Can use Java, Python or VB
<b>75 marks</b>	<b>75 Marks</b>

## Career and University Pathways

Studying Computer Science (9618) equips students with critical thinking, problem-solving, and computational skills that are highly valued in today’s digital world. It opens doors to a wide range of university courses such as Computer Science, Software Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity, Data Science, and Information Technology.

Graduates can pursue exciting careers in fields including software development, network engineering, IT consultancy, systems analysis, game design, web and app development, and emerging areas like machine learning and robotics. With technology driving innovation across industries, Computer Science provides a future-ready foundation for success in both higher education and the global job market.

## CIE Economics AS/ A Level Syllabus 9708

### Course Outline

Students learn to understand and interpret economic information and explain contemporary events and familiar phenomena with relevant economic principles and apply them in real-life situations. Students who choose to study Economics are expected to be interested in world affairs and should remain abreast of world and local news. Levels of learning range from learning basic definitions of concepts to fully applying theoretical concepts to real-life situations and events. Students should be able to present arguments, explain situations in terms of economic theory and should be able to communicate fluently in order to achieve good marks. In order to do this the students are encouraged to develop their skills of self-expression and, to support their studies, it is essential that they read critically to gain information about the changing economy in which we live.

### Assessment Summary

Students sit an external examination set by the Cambridge International Examinations Board (CIE). For Cambridge International AS and A Level Economics, candidates follow a staged assessment route by taking Papers 1 and 2 (for the Cambridge International AS Level qualification) in one series, then Papers 3 and 4 (for the Cambridge International A Level qualification) in a later series.

Component	AS Level	A Level
<b>Paper 1 Multiple Choice - 1 hour</b> 30 multiple choice questions based on the AS Level syllabus content 30 marks	33%	17%
<b>Paper 2 Data Response and Essay – 2 hours</b> <b>Section A:</b> one data response question (20 marks) <b>Section B:</b> one essay from a choice of two focusing mainly on microeconomics; there are two parts to each essay question (20 marks) <b>Section C:</b> one essay from a choice of two focusing mainly on macroeconomics; there are two parts to each essay question (20 marks) Questions are based on the AS Level subject content. (60 marks)	67%	33%
<b>Paper 3 Multiple Choice - 1 hour 15 minutes</b> 30 multiple choice questions based on the additional A Level syllabus content (30 marks)	—	17%
<b>Paper 4 Data Response and Essays - 2 hours</b> <b>Section A:</b> one data response question (20 marks) <b>Section B:</b> one essay from a choice of two focusing mainly on microeconomics. (20 marks) <b>Section C:</b> one essay from a choice of two focusing mainly on macroeconomics. (20 marks) Questions are based on the A Level subject content; knowledge of material from the AS Level subject content is assumed. (60 marks)	—	33%

### Career and University Pathways

An Economics degree develops a very useful contribution of attributes: Mathematical ability and Literacy. The course will promote the important skills of decision-making and problem solving. Careers paths may include a Professional Economist, a Banker, an Administrative Manager, an Entrepreneur, a Public Relations Officer and a Financial Journalist.

**International  
AS/ A Level  
Edexcel  
Economics  
Syllabus  
YEC11/YEC11**



**Course Outline**

International AS/A Level Economics Edexcel content is designed to provide a stimulating course that students will enjoy through studying topics and issues that are relevant in today’s society. It will provide excellent preparation for students who wish to progress to study the subject at university. Students will acquire a firm foundation in micro and macroeconomics and will have ample opportunities to apply their knowledge to a variety of interesting and challenging national and global issues.

**Assessment Summary**

<b>Unit 1: Markets in action</b>	<b>Unit 2: Macroeconomic performance and policy</b>
<b>*Unit code: WEC11/01</b> Written exam: 1 hour and 45 minutes Total: 80 marks	<b>*Unit code: WEC12/01</b> Written exam: 1 hour and 45 minutes Total: 80 marks
<b>Section A:</b> Six multiple-choice questions (6 marks). <b>Section B:</b> Five short-answer questions (20 marks). <b>Section C:</b> A five-part question, based on data provided in a source booklet (34 marks). <b>Section D:</b> One 20-mark essay question from a choice of two (20 marks)	<b>Section A:</b> Six multiple-choice questions (6 marks). <b>Section B:</b> Five short-answer questions (20 marks). <b>Section C:</b> A five-part question, based on data provided in a source booklet (34 marks). <b>Section D:</b> One 20-mark essay question from a choice of two (20 marks).
<b>Unit 3: Business behaviour</b>	<b>Unit 4: Developments in the global economy</b>
<b>*Unit code: WEC13/01</b> Written exam: 2 hours Total: 80 marks	<b>*Unit code: WEC14/01</b> Written exam: 2 hours Total: 80 marks
<b>Section A:</b> Six multiple-choice questions (6 marks). <b>Section B:</b> A five-part question, based on data provided in a source booklet (34 marks). <b>Section C:</b> Two 20-mark essay questions from a choice of three (40 marks)	<b>Section A:</b> Six multiple-choice questions (6 marks). <b>Section B:</b> A five-part question, based on data provided in a source booklet (34 marks). <b>Section C:</b> Two 20-mark essay questions from a choice of three (40 marks).

**Career and University Pathways**

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## CIE Literature in English AS/ A Level Syllabus 9695

### Course Outline

English Literature is an exciting and challenging subject which expands upon English and Literature taught at IGCSE level. The course is structured in such a way so as to cover a range of texts by modern and classical writers whilst utilising a range of media to support and enhance the overall learning process. It allows students to critically examine the world in which they live and gain an appreciation for the varying alternatives to life and living. In practical terms, students will develop as independent learners who will be able to research, read widely and write and think critically. This will help students across the curriculum.

### Assessment Summary

Students sit an external examination set by the Cambridge International Examinations Board (CIE). The examination consists of four papers (AS level: Paper 1 & 2 and A level: Paper 3 & 4) the details of which can be found in the table below.

Paper	Description	Duration	Weighting
1	<b>Drama and Poetry:</b> Candidates answer two questions: one question from Section A: Drama and one question from Section B: Poetry. Externally assessed	2 hours	50% of the AS Level 25% of the A Level
2	<b>Prose and Unseen:</b> Candidates answer two questions: one question from Section A: Prose and one question from Section B: Unseen. Externally assessed	2 hours	50% of the AS Level 25% of the A Level
3	<b>Shakespeare and Drama:</b> Candidates answer two questions: one question from Section A: Shakespeare and one question from Section B: Drama. Externally assessed	2 hours	25% of the A Level
4	<b>Pre- and Post-1900 Poetry and Prose:</b> Candidates answer two questions: one question from Section A: Pre-1900 Poetry and Prose, and one question from Section B: Post-1900 Poetry and Prose. Candidates respond to both a poetry and a prose text. Externally assessed	2 hours	25% of the A Level

### Career and University Pathways

The skills you develop through the study of English Literature (effective written and verbal communication, time-management, organisational skills, teamwork, independent study and research, developing persuasive arguments are applicable to a wide variety of professional areas. Some areas which have traditionally attracted English Literature graduates include Advertising, Marketing and PR work, Arts Administration, Library and Information Management, the Legal Profession, Editing and Publishing, Journalism and other areas of the Media. Teaching and academic careers are also popular choices for Literature students.

## CIE Information Technology AS/A Level Syllabus 9626

Learners study the structure and use of IT systems within a wide range of organisations, including the use of a variety of computer networks. As a result, learners gain an understanding of IT system life cycles, and how these affect the workplace. They also learn about the wider impact of IT on society in general. At A Level, learners also study simple programming for the web relevant to their own use of IT.



### Course Outline:

A Level IT encourages learners to become effective and discerning users of IT. Learners develop a broad range of knowledge, skills and understanding, essential for progression on to higher education courses in Information Technology or employment.

### Assessment Summary

The two assessment objectives in Information Technology are knowledge and understand and problem- solving skills.

Paper 3 Advanced Theory	Paper 4 Advanced Practical
<b>Duration</b> 1 hour 45 mins	<b>Duration:</b> 2 hour 30 mins
Candidates answer all questions. Questions will be based on sections 12–21 of the subject content. Externally assessed.	Candidates answer all questions. Tasks will be based on sections 17–21 of the subject content. Candidates apply knowledge and understanding of all subject content. The exam may also include practical tasks from sections 8–10 within a problem-solving context.
<b>70 marks</b>	<b>90 marks</b>

### Career and University Pathways

#### Career and University Pathways

The Cambridge A Level Information Technology course equips students with a practical and theoretical foundation in the use of modern digital technologies. It fosters problem-solving, project management, and analytical thinking skills through topics like system life cycles, spreadsheets, database management, and emerging technologies.

Students who complete this course are well-prepared for a wide range of university programs, including Information Systems, Business IT, Software Engineering, Data Analytics, Cybersecurity, and Digital Media. It also opens doors to careers such as IT Consultants, Web Developers, Database Administrators, UX Designers, and Network Engineers.

With a strong emphasis on real-world applications and independent project work, this course serves as a perfect steppingstone for students aiming for success in the digital age

## CIE Law AS/ A Level Syllabus 9084

The syllabus encourages students to appreciate law in real- world situations through an understanding of the main principles of the law of England and Wales. Students develop analysis and problem-solving skills and learn to communicate legal argument.



### Course Outline

Cambridge International AS & A Level Law introduces students to the study of the law of England and Wales. They learn about some of the legal systems in the world and the place of English law before going on to study English law in more depth. The term 'English law' is used in this syllabus to refer to the law of England and Wales.

In studying these areas of law, students develop skills which are transferable. Students work with legal concepts, principles and rules, learning to analyse and how to apply these. They learn to construct and to communicate an argument. They grow to understand how law can make a difference in real-life scenarios. The transferable skills they develop can help students in other subject areas and can help equip them for higher education or employment.

### Assessment Summary

Paper 1	Paper 2
<p><b>English Legal System</b> 1 hour 30 minutes 75 marks <b>Section A:</b> five compulsory questions. There are four short answer questions and one extended answer question. <b>Section B:</b> two essays from a choice of three. There are two parts to each essay. <b>Externally assessed.</b> 50% of the AS Level 25% of the A Level</p>	<p><b>Criminal Law</b> 1 hour 30 minutes 60 marks <b>Section A:</b> one compulsory scenario-based problem question using source material. There are three parts to the question. <b>Section B:</b> one question from a choice of two. There are two parts to the question: one short answer question and one essay. <b>Externally assessed.</b> 50% of the AS Level 25% of the A Level</p>
Paper 3	Paper 4
<p><b>Law of Contract</b> 1 hour 30 minutes 75 marks <b>Section A:</b> one scenario-based problem question from a choice of two <b>Section B:</b> two essays from a choice of three <b>Externally assessed.</b> 25% of the A Level</p>	<p><b>Law of Tort</b> 1 hour 30 minutes 75 marks <b>Section A:</b> one scenario-based problem question from a choice of two <b>Section B:</b> two essays from a choice of three <b>Externally assessed.</b> 25% of the A Level</p>

### Career and University Pathways

Possible job titles related to Law are: Administrative Lawyer, Advocate, Arbitrator, Attorney, Case Manager, Commercial Rights Manager, Compliance officer and Compliance Specialist.

## CIE International Project Qualification AS/ A Level Syllabus 9980

The Cambridge IPQ will equip learners with a coherent theoretical and practical basis of transferable skills and key knowledge suitable for a range of careers in any profession. Depending on local university entrance requirements, the Cambridge IPQ may permit or assist progression directly to university courses in a range of subjects.



### Course Outline

We live in the digital era, an information-rich society in which young people need the skills and dispositions to think critically and creatively. Thinking critically will enable learners to identify, analyse and evaluate situations, ideas and information. Thinking creatively will enable learners to solve new problems and approach new challenges.

The Cambridge International Project Qualification (Cambridge IPQ) is a brand- new standalone qualification, designed to provide an opportunity for learners to develop these skills and dispositions by carrying out research into a topic of their choice linked to their AS or A Level studies. Through completing this qualification young people will gain the confidence to successfully navigate the opportunities and challenges of the digital era. The qualification exemplifies the educational philosophy of learn, discover, achieve. It challenges learners with an authentic assessment task that fosters deep learning and seeks to stretch and develop them as inquisitive learners. Studying for the Cambridge IPQ allows learners to demonstrate engagement with their chosen topic beyond preparation for an exam. Academic evidence suggests that this sort of deeper engagement will help develop their ability to learn and foster the strategies to be lifelong learners.

### Assessment Summary

The Cambridge IPQ is a single component which is externally assessed.

Component	Weighting
Research Project Candidates complete a research project on a topic of their own choice. Candidates devise and develop a research question and then conduct research to answer this question. They record their progress in a research log and write a research report. The research report must not exceed 5000 words. <b>80 marks</b>	100%

### Career and University Pathways

By developing a range of transferable skills, such as independent learning, critical thinking and research, the IPQ gives students an opportunity to stand out from the crowd when applying to top universities and employers.

**"...a high predicted or actual grade in this award will be considered a positive attribute when selecting amongst applicants with similar levels of overall achievement."** Durham University, September 2017

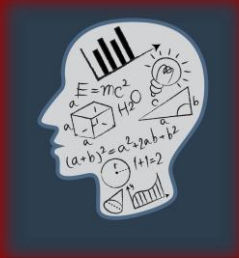
**"...valued by Russell Group universities."** Russell Group

**"...a useful introduction to the way you will study at university."** University of Bristol

## CIE Mathematics AS/ A Level Syllabus 9709

### AS LEVEL

**Paper 1: Pure  
Mathematics 1  
(9709/12) and  
Paper 4: Mechanics  
(9709/42) or  
Paper 5:  
Probability  
Statistics 1  
(9709/52)**



### A LEVEL

**Paper 3: Pure  
Mathematics 3  
(9707/32)**

**Course Outline:** Cambridge International AS & A Level Mathematics develops a set of transferable skills. These include the skill of working with mathematical information, as well as the ability to think logically and independently, consider accuracy, model situations mathematically, analyze results and reflect on findings. Learners can apply these skills across a wide range of subjects and the skills equip them well for progression to higher education or directly into employment. Our approach in Cambridge International AS & A Level Mathematics encourages learners to be confident, using and sharing information and ideas, and using mathematical techniques to solve problems.

#### **P1: Pure Mathematics 1**

- 1.1 Quadratics
- 1.2 Functions
- 1.3 Coordinate geometry
- 1.4 Circular measure
- 1.5 Trigonometry
- 1.6 Series
- 1.7 Differentiation
- 1.8 Integration

#### **P3: Pure Mathematics 3**

- 3.1 Algebra
- 3.2 Logarithmic and exponential functions
- 3.3 Trigonometry
- 3.4 Differentiation
- 3.5 Integration
- 3.6 Numerical solution of equations
- 3.7 Vectors
- 3.8 Differential equations
- 3.9 Complex numbers

#### **P4: Mechanics**

- 4.1 Forces and equilibrium
- 4.2 Kinematics of motion in a straight line
- 4.3 Momentum
- 4.4 Newton's laws of motion
- 4.5 Energy, work and power

#### **P5: Probability and Statistics 1**

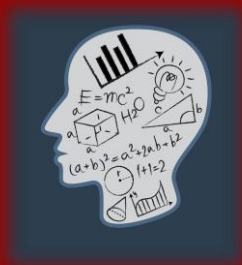
- 5.1 Representation of data
- 5.2 Permutations and combinations
- 5.3 Probability
- 5.4 Discrete random variables
- 5.5 The normal distribution

#### **P6: Probability and Statistics 2**

- 6.1 The Poisson distribution
- 6.2 Linear combinations of random variables
- 6.3 Continuous random variables
- 6.4 Sampling and estimation
- 6.5 Hypothesis tests

**CIE Mathematics  
AS/ A Level  
Syllabus 9709**

**AS LEVEL  
Paper 1: Pure  
Mathematics 1  
(9709/12) and  
Paper 4: Mechanics  
(9709/42)**



**A LEVEL  
Paper 3: Pure  
Mathematics 3  
(9707/32)**

**Paper 5: Probability  
Statistics 1 (9709/52)**

**Assessment Summary**

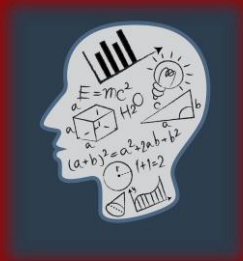
<b>Paper 3</b>
Pure Mathematics 3 1 hour 50 minutes 75 marks 9 to 11 structured questions based on the Pure Mathematics 3 subject content Written examination Externally assessed 30% of the A Level only Compulsory for A Level

<b>Paper 4</b>	<b>Paper 6</b>
Mechanics 1 hour 15 minutes 50 marks 6 to 8 structured questions based on the Mechanics subject content Written examination Externally assessed 20% of the A Level only Offered only as part of A Level	Probability & Statistics 2 (S2) 1 hour 15 minutes 50 marks 6 to 8 structured questions based on Probability & Statistics 2 subject content Written examination Externally assessed 20% of the A Level only Offered only as part of A Level

**Career and University Pathways**

Every year thousands of students with Cambridge International AS & A Levels gain places at leading universities worldwide. Cambridge International AS & A Levels are accepted across 195 countries. They are valued by top universities around the world including those in the UK, US (including Ivy League universities), Europe, Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

**EDEXCEL  
Mathematics (IAL)  
AS/ A Level  
Syllabus XMA01 /  
YMA01**



**Course Outline**

The Pearson Edexcel International GCE in Mathematics enables students to follow a flexible course in mathematics, to better tailor a course to suit the individual needs and goals. This course encourages students to further develop and apply problem solving skills within the Maths arena. This two-year modular course consists of six units in total. Successful completion of two compulsory units of pure Mathematics: P1 and P2, and an applied unit S1 will result in an AS level qualification. Further they will continue with two compulsory units of Pure Mathematics: P3 and P4, and an applied unit: S2 to get the A level qualification in Mathematics.

For more information on GCE in Mathematics, visit.

<https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/home.html>

**Assessment Summary**

**AS Level**

Unit	Unit code	Duration	Marks	AS Weighting	Weighting
P1: Pure Mathematics	WMA11/01	90 mins	75	33.33%	16.67%
[Applied unit] Statistics S1	WST01/01	90 mins	75	33.33%	16.67%
P2: Pure Mathematics	WMA12/01	90 mins	75	33.33% S	16.67%

**A Level**

Unit	Unit code	Duration	Marks	AS Weighting	Weighting
P3 Pure Mathematics	WMA13/01	90 mins	75	33.33%	16.67%
P4 Pure Mathematics	WMA14/01	90 mins	75	33.33%	16.67%
[Applied unit] Statistics S2 or Mechanics M1	WST02/01 WME01/01	90 mins	75	33.33%	16.67%

Calculators may be used in all examinations.

**Career and University Pathways**

A Maths qualification can assist with accessing university courses and lends itself well to subjects such as Physics, Psychology, Economics, Computing and Business Studies. The skills that the subject develops include problem solving, logic and analysis. These are all life-long critical thinking skills which employers desire in today's society. AS/A-level Mathematics is a relevant qualification for many careers including, for example Aeronautics, Medicine, Engineering, Computer Science, Business, Analysts, Actuary.

## CIE Physics AS/ A Level Syllabus 9702



### Course Outline

The syllabus is designed to give a thorough to the study of Physics and scientific methodology. Student will develop a thorough understanding and application of scientific concepts and principles, rather than the recall of factual material. The curriculum also enables candidates to become confident citizens in a technological world and to take an informed interest in matters of scientific importance, and also to promote the use of IT as an aid to experiments and as a tool for the interpretation of experimental and theoretical results.

### Assessment Summary

Paper	Paper Title	Duration
1	Multiple Choice	1 Hour 15 minutes
2	(AS) Structured Questions	1 Hour 15 minutes
3	Practical Test	2 Hours
4	(A2) Structured Questions	2 Hours
5	Planning, Analysis and Evaluation	1 Hour 15 minutes

AS candidates are required to enter for paper 1, 2 and 3

A Level candidates are required to enter for 4 & 5

### Career and University Pathways

As a career Physics covers many specialized fields – from Acoustics, Astronomy and Astrophysics to Medical Physics, Geophysics and Vacuum Physics.

After the completion of a full A Level qualification, candidates can then continue their university education for majoring into various fields in science and technology like Physics Teacher, Aeronautical Engineer, Astronomer, Flight Engineer, Biophysicist, Nuclear Scientist, Space Scientist and many more.

## Pearson BTEC International Level 3 Diploma in Business (720 GLH)

This subject examines the aims of businesses in a vocational context. Students are given the responsibility to work independently and the opportunity to gain skills in teamwork, IT, problem solving and communication. Students develop a high level of professionalism and business skills. The qualification for year 12 is equivalent to one A Level and is a one year course that can be extended into a second year (worth two A Levels called the BTEC Business Studies Diploma) and can be combined with other advanced courses.



### Course Outline

The work students carry out can include the following activities:

- Reports
- Assignments
- Short projects
- Case Studies
- Presentations

The course consists of the following **four mandatory** units of work:

- Unit 1: Exploring Business
- Unit 2: Research and plan a marketing campaign
- Unit 3: Business Finance
- Unit 4: Managing an Event
- Unit 7: Business Decision Making

As well as **optional** units that will be chosen according to the current business needs and the needs of the group of students.

Students need to have the following attributes in order to meet the entry requirements

- An excellent record of attendance and punctuality
- Extremely well organised, self-motivated and able to meet deadlines

### Assessment Summary

This course is 100% coursework; the coursework is firstly internally assessed and is then externally assessed by a visiting exam board member. You will need to complete six units during the course of the year.

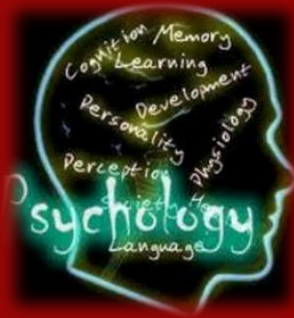
At the end of the course, you will be awarded a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade. This will be calculated from the points achieved throughout the course. In order to gain the qualification, you will need to obtain at least a pass in all six units of work.

### Career and University Pathways

Following the completion of this course, successful candidates would be able to enter initial employment, at a junior level or as trainee managers in such areas as Marketing, Sales or Human Resources. The knowledge and skills gained in this course would also help anyone in starting up their own business.

Many of our students have continued on into further education in Universities in the UK, UAE, India and many other places around the world. The course carries an equivalence rating to entry requirements for many different educational systems.

## CIE Psychology AS/ A Level Syllabus 9990



Students will develop an understanding and appreciation of psychology through an exploration of many different studies. This exploration includes a review of research and provides an opportunity to look at the ways in which psychology is applied in a wider range of perspectives.

A negative mind  
will never give you  
a positive life.



Be  
authentically  
yourself, and  
then you will  
know that you  
are special.

### Course Outline

Students examine psychological concepts, theories, research findings and applications and develop an understanding of the range and limitations of psychological theory and practice. Students are encouraged to explore and understand the relationship between psychological findings and everyday life, thereby helping them to develop skills of analysis, interpretation, application and evaluation. They also develop an understanding of ethical issues in Psychology, including the moral and ethical implications of psychological research.

### Assessment Summary

For the Advanced Subsidiary qualification, the students take Papers 1 and 2. Both papers must be taken at the same exam session. For the Advanced Level qualifications, the students take Papers 3 and 4. Papers 1 and 2 are taken at the end of Year 12 and Paper 3 and 4 is taken at the end of Year 13.

Assessment Structure	Marks	Weighting %	
		AS	A
<b>Paper 1:</b> 1 hour 30 mins Approaches Issues and Debates	60	50	25
<b>Paper 2:</b> 1 hour 30 mins Research Methods	60	50	25
<b>Paper 3:</b> 1 hour 30 mins Specialist options: Approaches, Issues and Debates	60	-	25
<b>Paper 4:</b> 1 hour 30 mins Specialist Options: Application and Research	60	-	25

### Career and University Pathways

The study of Psychology provides students with a wide range of opportunities and careers after Post 16. Many people go on to undertake postgraduate Psychology courses which lead on to specialist titles, such as Clinical Psychologist, Educational Psychologist, Forensic Psychologists, Environmental Psychologists, Organizational Psychologists, etc. These specialties can lead graduates into many and varied careers.

The field and study of Psychology also lends to other, less obvious career opportunities; for example, Psychology graduates have gone on to design cockpits for NASA and computer software interfaces. Some Psychologists design personnel selection systems, design age-appropriate toys, develop market research strategies, design surveys and train people in a variety of settings.


## CIE Sociology AS/A Level Syllabus 9699




### TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT SOCIETY

"The function of sociology, as of every other science, is to reveal that which is hidden."  
Peter Berger, Sociologist

#### DEVELOP

 GLOBAL OUTLOOK AND CROSS CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING

 LEADERSHIP, CRITICAL THINKING, RESEARCH SKILLS

 COMMUNICATION, CONFIDENCE, INTELLECTUAL SKILLS

"The skills and ideas we get from sociology can be applied to such a wide range of subjects and professions; it is a subject that has taken me to many interesting places and allowed me to study a wide variety of areas. There are always new and exciting areas to be explored and researched. The social around us is constantly changing and is, therefore, never dull."

Professor Gary Crawford, University of Salford

## Course outline

AS and A Level Sociology offers students the opportunity to explore and stimulate awareness of contemporary social, cultural and political issues, and focus attention on the importance of examining these issues in a rigorous, reasoned and analytical way. The Cambridge International AS Level provides a solid grounding in the central ideas and approaches in Sociology, including family as well as theory and methods of Sociological research.

In further continuation of the subject, students can, at the Cambridge International A Level, choose to explore a variety of important areas of sociological enquiry including global development, education, religion and Media. The structure and subject matter of the course leads to improved skills of communication, interpretation, analysis and evaluation.

## Assessment Summary

At the end of the AS Level Sociology; students appear for exam wherein they are required to write Paper 1 and Paper 2. Students continuing with A Level Sociology appear for Paper 3 and Paper 4 at the end of the AS – A levels.

Paper	Time (duration)	Total marks	Title of the Paper	Weightage
Paper 1 AS Level	1hour 30minutes	60 marks	Unit 1- Socialisation and the creation of social identity Unit -2 Methods of research	25%
Paper 2 AS Level	1hour 30minutes	60 marks	Unit 3: The Family	25%
Paper 3 A Level	1hour 15minutes	50 marks	Unit 4 – Education	20%
Paper 4 A Level	1hour 45minutes	70 marks	Unit 5: Globalisation Unit 6: Media Unit 7: Religion (any 2 of the above)	30%
Total 4 Papers		240marks		100%

## Career and University Pathways

Studying Sociology opens a range of careers in areas such as research, media, social welfare, education, human resource management, local and central government.

With very high credits and life skills gained, the subject is highly valued and aids in the process of interviews for the universities and career in the long run.

## Pearson BTEC International Level 3 Diploma in Applied Science (720 GLH)

The BTEC Diploma in Applied Science are a suite of qualifications that reflect aspects of employment within science organizations or organizations that can use science and enable you to develop practical scientific skills. The students are given the responsibility to work independently and the opportunity to gain skills in teamwork, problem solving and practical skills. The students are trained to develop a high level of professionalism in handling equipment in the lab and in conducting practical experiments and presentations to meet the criteria of each assignment.



### Course Outline

The work students carry out can include the following activities:

- Reports
- Assignments
- Short projects
- Case Studies
- Presentations

The course consists of the following **seven mandatory** units of work:

- Principles and Applications of Biology I & II
- Principles and Applications of Chemistry I & II
- Principles and Applications of Physics I & II
- Investigative Project Skills

As well as **optional** units that will be chosen according to the current needs of the group of students.

### Assessment Summary

This course is 100% coursework; the coursework is firstly internally assessed and is then externally assessed by a visiting exam board member. You will need to complete six units during the course of the year.

At the end of the course you will be awarded a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade. This will be calculated from the points achieved throughout the course. In order to gain the qualification, you will need to obtain at least a pass in all six units of work.

### Career and University Pathways

The skills developed through BTEC Science enables students to get admission to university to pursue their higher studies in various fields related to IT and Science and Technology. The Applied Science programme will build and develop the necessary skills, techniques and attitudes to begin a successful professional career.

The focus of this qualification is to provide students with the opportunity to specialize in medical science and specific areas within this, such as human physiology and scientific techniques in various fields. Delivery of this course will be through a combination of theory and practical methods.

On completion of this programme, students will be equipped for university courses in related subjects. Ideal career pathways include careers such as Medical Laboratory Analysis, Bio-Medical Science, Forensic Science, Research and Education.

**Pearson BTEC  
International  
Level 3  
Subsidiary  
Diploma in  
Sport**

**(360 GLH)**

**(2 Years)**

This specification intended for all those with an interest in sport and an interest in the multiple vocational career opportunities that are available in sport. Learners with an interest in health and fitness, coaching, sports business and facilities management across all sports will benefit from these materials.



## Course Outline

The work students carry out can include the following activities:

- Reports
- Assignments
- Short projects
- Case Studies
- Presentations

Learners taking this qualification will study units mandatory and optional units some of them being:

Unit 34 Sports Development

Unit 29 Technical and Tactical Sport

Unit 27 Sports Psychology

The qualification is designed to support learners who want an introduction to the sector through applied learning and those who are interested in learning about the sports industry alongside other fields of study with a view to progressing to a wide range of higher education courses not necessarily in sport-related subjects.

### Assessment Summary

Most units in the sector are internally assessed and subject to external standards verification. In these qualifications in sport, fitness and personal training, all units are internally assessed.

Synoptic assessment requires learners to demonstrate that they can identify and use effectively, in an integrated way, an appropriate selection of skills, techniques, concepts, theories and knowledge from across the whole sector as relevant to a key task.

Internally assessed units are assessed using a grading scale of Distinction (D), Merit (M), Pass (P), and Unclassified (U). All mandatory and optional units contribute proportionately to the overall qualification grade. Qualifications in the suite are graded using a scale of P to D\*.

### Career and University Pathways

This is intended for post-16 learners who want to progress directly to employment in the health and fitness sector as a gym instructor. When studied alongside another Level 3 qualification as part of the study programme, it supports progression to higher education programmes related to sport and fitness.

# Pearson BTEC International Level 3 Diploma in Creative Media (720 GLH)

## Course Outline

The BTEC Diploma in Creative Media is a Qualification that supports a curriculum where learners are able to continually revisit their approaches to the making and understanding of creative media, adding levels of refinement, sophistication and precision to their practice as they progress. This qualification is designed to support learners who want to study creative-based qualifications as the main element alongside another area of complementary or contrasting study as part of a two-year, full-time study programme.



## Course Outline

The work students carry out can include the following activities:

- Reports
- Assignments
- Short projects
- Case Studies
- Presentations

The course consists of **mandatory** modules of work:

- A- Exploring and Developing Creative Media Skills
- B- Advancing Creative Practice

## Assessment Summary

This course is 100% coursework; the coursework is firstly internally assessed and is then externally assessed by a visiting exam board member.

**Highly practical and progression focused** – all assessment is holistic, based on portfolios of work. Evidence is generated through practical projects, briefs, workshops and engagement with the creative media industry. This prepares learners for progression to employment in the creative media industry through the development of portfolios and materials for progression.

At the end of the course the you will be awarded a Pass, Merit or Distinction grade. This will be calculated from the points achieved throughout the course. In order to gain the qualification, you will need to obtain at least a pass in all units of work.

## Career and University Pathways

The skills developed through these qualifications have been designed to provide post-16 learners internationally with the skills, knowledge and understanding necessary to progress to further education, higher education and training or employment in the creative media industry.

Delivery of this course will be through a combination of theory and practical methods.

On completion of this programme, students will be equipped for university courses in related subjects. Ideal career pathways include careers in a range of positions including roles in film and television, radio, journalism, public relations, advertising and digital and social media.

## Student Contract for BTEC Vocational Courses-2026-2027

The nature of vocational courses is that you will take ownership of your work. You are responsible for meeting **deadlines** and ensuring you have covered the criteria set out for you. You are responsible for asking members of staff if there is something you do not understand. In taking a vocational course, you are preparing for the world of work, where you will be expected to work using initiative.

### Deadlines

When you are given an assignment, you will be given a clear deadline. You **MUST** have all work completed for assessment by this deadline. Failure to do so will result in contact with parents and risk of not passing the criteria.

Once your work has been checked it will be handed back to you with details of whether you have achieved the criteria or not. No feedback or guidance will be given on how to improve the evidence to achieve higher grades. The learner must submit a signed and dated declaration of authenticity which confirms they have produced the evidence themselves. The Internal Verifier may authorise **one** opportunity for a learner to **resubmit** evidence based on certain conditions. If initial deadlines are not met, a resubmission will not be allowed and the learner will be Ungraded for the task.

All deadlines **MUST** be met. Should you fail to meet a deadline, we will call your parents in to discuss your suitability to complete the course and you will be expected to stay back after school till the assignment deadlines are met. Deadlines have been very carefully set with course completion in mind.

Should you be absent on the hand-in date, you should find an alternative way of getting your assignment to us, all staff are accessible by email. A medical certificate may be required in cases where an assignment has not been completed due to illness or other exceptional circumstances.

Printer problems on hand-in day are **NOT** a valid excuse for handing work in late. Plan to complete your assignment early. This will enable you to avoid last-minute printer problems. Work being left at home or laptop issues are also not an acceptable problem. Students must have backup copies of all their work on a USB flash drive or cloud storage to evidence their progress.

If you need to speak to outside parties as part of your research, plan it early to ensure availability within your timescale. If you need information to be sent to you, request it as soon as you receive your assignment. Waiting for information is **NOT** a valid excuse for a late assignment.

### Research

You should not rely solely on resources given to you by your teacher. In order to gain higher grades, you are expected to show wide ranging research. The internet alone is **NOT** wide ranging – although it can be a very useful resource.

In order to get full credit for the research you have done, ensure you include a bibliography. This should be updated as you go along. Ensure you include all sources.

**BTEC students to bring in school their own laptops for all lessons complying with the school's BYOD policy.**

### **Plagiarism/Copying**

This will not be tolerated. Any student found to have copied the work of another (from a book or a fellow student) will receive no mark for that unit. In severe cases you may be excluded from the course. In cases where work has been copied from another student, both students will be penalised unless it can be proven that that student was unaware of the copying. Please look after your work and do not allow others access to it.

It appears to have become increasingly tempting to cut/copy and paste work from the internet to hand in as your own. This is classed as plagiarism. Information from the internet **MUST** be processed in some way to become your work. If you are in any doubt as to what you can/can't use, please ask your teacher.

### **Academic Integrity**

The use of AI to engage in cheating, plagiarism, or any form of academic dishonesty is strictly prohibited.

Students must **disclose AI assistance** in their work when applicable and adhere to proper citation practices.

### **Submission of Work**

All assignment submissions to be on **Turnitin**. Once approved, digital submission (as suggested by the teacher) or printed work should be handed in plastic sleeves. Please ensure that you have **proof read** your work, checking spelling, punctuation and grammar before handing in. Work should be presented in a format suitable for the document type being assessed. Reports should generally be in size 12 font.

### **When You Can Expect Your Marked Work to be Returned**

In most cases you should have your marked assignments returned within 2 working weeks.

### **What to do if You Disagree with Your Grade**

A selection of student work is cross marked by other assessors. This is done so that we can ensure your work is marked accurately and consistently. However, should you have a genuine cause to query your grade, you should ask your assessor to have it cross-marked. Work from all students is assessed by a standards verifier from Edexcel at the end of your course, allowing another opportunity to ensure your work is marked accurately and consistently.

There is an official appeals procedure for BTECs. Should you wish to initiate an appeal, you should see the Faculty Leader in the first instance.

**Fees and Registrations**

1. Students will be entered on to the course in the beginning of September.
2. A letter will be given to parents (on enrolment) informing them of their child’s registration and confirming the costs of the selected BTEC course. You also need to **provide a passport copy** for name verification.
3. If your name is on the Phoenix register you will then be registered and have to pay for the course.
4. If you move out of the BTEC course between the 1<sup>st</sup> September and the 1<sup>st</sup> October you must make sure the Faculty Leader is aware otherwise you will be charged. **If you move out after the 1<sup>st</sup> October you will still be charged the registration fee.** The fee will then be added to your account and must be paid before you are able to access reports or collect certificates at the end of the course, if you have not paid this will also delay the assessment of your work.

**I have read and understood all parts of this contract and agree to the terms within it, I am also including a passport copy as requested.**

Student Name:
Student Signature:

Parent Name:
Parent Signature:

## CIE History AS/A Level (9489)

Aims -The aims describe the purposes of a course based on this syllabus.

The aims are to enable students to develop:

- An interest in the past and an appreciation of human endeavor
- Greater knowledge and understanding of historical periods or themes
- An empathy with people living in different places and at different times
- A firm foundation for further study of History.

### Course Outline

- A greater awareness of historical concepts such as cause and consequence, change and continuity, similarity and difference, significance and interpretations
- an appreciation of the nature and diversity of historical sources available, and the methods used by historians
- An exploration of a variety of approaches to different aspects of history and different interpretations of particular historical issues
- The ability to think independently and make informed judgements on issues

### Assessment Summary

Paper 1	Paper 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Document question 1 hour 15 mins 40 marks</li> <li>• 1 Question</li> <li>• Candidates answer one two-part document.</li> <li>• Question on one of the options given.</li> <li>• Candidates must answer both parts of the question they choose. Externally assessed.</li> <li>• 40% of the AS Level</li> <li>• 20% of the A Level</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interpretations question</li> <li>• 1 hour 15 minutes</li> <li>• 40 marks</li> <li>• 1 Question</li> <li>• Candidates answer one interpretations question on one of the options given in the syllabus.</li> <li>• Externally assessed.</li> <li>• 20% of the A Level</li> </ul>
Paper 2	Paper 4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outline study -1 hour 45 minutes</li> <li>• 60 marks</li> <li>• Answer two questions.</li> <li>• Candidates answer two two-part questions from three on one of the options given.</li> <li>• Candidates must answer both parts of the questions they choose. Externally assessed.</li> <li>• 60% of the AS Level</li> <li>• 30% of the A Level</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Depth study -1 hour 45mins 60 marks</li> <li>• Answer two questions.</li> <li>• Candidates answer two questions on their chosen depth study.</li> <li>• Externally assessed.</li> <li>• 30% of the A Level</li> </ul>

# ASSESSMENT

Assessment is an integral part of Teaching and Learning and is required to optimise all students' learning and teachers' teaching by providing a picture of progress and achievements and to identify the next steps to success.

## 1. Types of Assessment

### Assessment for / of Learning / as Learning:

- There are three principal functions of assessment- **assessment for learning, assessment of learning and assessment as learning.**
- Assessment for learning highlights and emphasises the contribution assessment can make to the day-to-day process of teaching and learning (formative)
- Assessment of learning helps to create a cumulative record of children's progress and attainments (summative)
- Assessment as learning is the use of a task or an activity to allow students the opportunity to use assessment to further their own learning. This offers students the chance to set their own personal goals and advocate for their own learning.

**I. Summative** is Assessment **of** Learning. It is used mainly to measure performance and clearly identifies a standard of pupil attainment against given criteria. It is carried out at the end of a period of learning. Examples:

- Internal School Examinations

**II. Formative** is Assessment **for** Learning. It is ongoing and provides evidence of and for progression in learning.

- It supports learning through identifying difficulties, providing feedback and diagnosing future learning priorities.
- Formative assessment can also be used to evaluate the effectiveness with which a teacher in mediating the curriculum and thus inform his/her future planning.

This includes:

- a. Weekly tests
- b. Homework
- c. Class work
- d. Group Activity – Project work etc.

**III. Self-Assessment** encourages pupils to take responsibility for their own learning by:

- a. Evaluating their own achievement against shared learning outcomes
- b. Identifying their own strengths and areas for improvement
- c. Encouraging individual learning goals and action plans for future progression
- d. Fostering a self-reflective learning culture
- e. Encouraging independence in learning

**IV. Peer Assessment** is used when relevant. Pupils are encouraged to clarify their own ideas and understanding of both the learning intention and assessment criteria while assessing other pupils' work.

**V. External Assessments at Post 16** - At Post 16 students will take part in the Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT4), PASS and AS & A level.

**The Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT4):**

CAT4 assesses a pupil's ability to reason with and manipulate different types of material through a series of Verbal, Non-Verbal, Quantitative and Spatial Ability tasks. Together, these four tests provide teachers with a comprehensive profile of a pupil's reasoning abilities, and as such the core abilities related to learning.

The resulting data can then be used to identify a pupil's strengths, weaknesses and learning preferences, providing accurate and reliable information that is essential for personalised learning. The more we know about a pupil, the better position we should be in to offer a learning environment and ways of teaching and learning that allow pupils to maximise their potential. Information about a pupil's reasoning ability will be key to many decisions and is considered alongside attainment data and other factors known to impact on learning, such as attendance and attitude.

**PASS Survey Report**

The success of young people's educational experience is heavily determined by the attitudes that they bring to their learning, their sense of aspiration and the feelings they have about their place in the broader social context of the school. The PASS diagnostic is a powerful, multi-factorial measure of students' attitudes to school, learning and success. Its robust nature enables the data it yields to be used as a means of establishing baselines and to support effective planning, implementation and evaluation of interventions at individual, group and whole school levels. The data combined with other student data such as GL CAT4, Progress Test, gives staff in school, in collaboration with the young people, greater opportunity to make informed decisions about their future learning and to help them towards further success.

**AS & A Level:**

Cambridge Assessment International Examinations (CIE) & Pearson Edexcel are the world's largest providers of international education programmes and qualifications for 5-19 year old. These qualifications are recognised by universities, education providers and employers across the world. At CIS AS/ A levels students choose 4 subjects to pursue their career pathways. At AS/ A level we offer a range of BTEC Vocational courses that are internally and externally verified and assessed. The BTEC courses are currently under the MOE consideration.

## Assessment Cycle in the Calendar

### Post 16

- Assessments are conducted, marked, moderated and recorded each term and at end of units.
- External moderation to be carried out in core subjects annually.
- Pre- Mock, Mock examinations are carried out for all subjects in November/December and March/April
- Annual review of all examination awarding body certification, BTEC, CIE, Pearson

### Proposed dates 2026-2027

- The school calendar will publish the summative assessment dates.

Internal Examinations/ Assessments								
Year	CAT 4	PASS 1	PASS 2	Term1	Pre Mock	Term 2	Mock	External Exams
13	Oct	Oct	March	Nov-Dec	Nov- Dec	March	Feb- March	May/Jun

Report Release Dates:

Dates	Report
December	Term 1/ Pre-Mock
February	Mock
March	Term 2
May/June	Final External Board Exams
August	External Result

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## التربية الإسلامية

قسم التربية الإسلامية  
رئيسة قسم التربية  
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عبد السلام  
المنهج : التربية الإسلامية  
الخاصة بالعرب



يجب على جميع الطلاب المسلمين دراسة مادة التربية الإسلامية وذلك طبقاً لقواعد وزارة التعليم.

وصف المنهج:

سيقوم الطلاب بدراسة حصتين للتربية الإسلامية في الأسبوع و سوف تكون المدة الزمنية للحصة خمسة وخمسون دقيقة، كما ينقسم الطلاب في المرحلة الدراسية إلى قسمين: قسم التربية الإسلامية للعرب وقسم التربية الإسلامية لغير العرب .

ونأمل أن يكون كل طالب مسلم من طلاب مدرسة كامبردج الدولية فخوًراً بكونه مسلماً وأن تتكون عنده المعرفة الأساسية للدين الإسلامي، كما أن هدفنا هو أن يتعرف الطلاب المسلمون على القيم الإسلامية التي أكدها القرآن الكريم والسنة النبوية فيمكنهم حينها تطبيق ما تعلموه في مواقفهم الحياتية، كما يمكنهم تحليل القضايا المعاصرة مع الاستدلال بآيات من القرآن الكريم والأحاديث النبوية والشريعة الإسلامية .

سوف يقوم الطلاب بدراسة سيرة سيدنا محمد صلى الله عليه وسلم؛ فهو قدوتنا في الإسلام وسوف يستخلص الطلاب الدروس المستفادة من سيرته العطرة وتطبيقها في حياتهم.

### منهج التربية الإسلامية للطلاب العرب

يستند منهج كامبردج للتربية الإسلامية إلى المنهاج الدراسي الموصى به في دولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة والذي يهدف إلى تطوير المتعلمين فيما يلي:

• الوعي الكامل لمفاهيم (الإسلام) و(الإيمان) عن طريق ممارسات دينية متوافقة مع الواقع .

• الوعي بكيفية تغلغل القضايا الروحية والأخلاقية مثل (الإحسان) في الخبرات الحياتية والتي تتعلق بحياة الطلاب الخاصة.

• احترام التقاليد الدينية والثقافية لدولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة والعالم أجمع.

• تطوير المهارات العقلية كالبحث و التفكير الناقد لتمكين الطلاب من اتخاذ قرارات مستنيرة وخيارات صحيحة. وفقاً لتعاليم الدين الإسلامي الصحيح .

التقييم:

سيتم تقييم الطلاب من خلال التقييم المبدئي و التقييم الختامي و أيضاً من خلال ملاحظات المعلم، تلاوة و حفظ القرآن الكريم و تفسيره.

## Faculty: Islamic

According to the Ministry of Education ruling, it is compulsory that Muslim students study Islamic Studies



### Course Description

Students receive 2 Islamic lessons a week (50 minutes each). We have two sections for each year group (Islamic for Arabs and Islamic for Non-Arabs)

We hope every Muslim student at CIS is proud to be a Muslim and learns the basic knowledge of the religion. Our aim is to acknowledge all Muslim students regarding the Islamic values that Qur'an and Sunnah are assert on, so they can reflect what they learned in real life situations. Also, to refer to Qur'anic verses and Ahadith to analyze contemporary issues in accordance to the Islamic shari'ah.

Since the role model of Islam is the Prophet Muhammad (PBUH); students will extract the learned lessons from His biography and apply them in their life.

### What will students learn?

CIS Islamic Education Syllabus is based on UAE recommended Curriculum of study and aims to develop in learners the following:

An understanding of the concepts of commitment (Islam) and faith (Imaan) in a religious tradition

An awareness of how spiritual and moral issues (Ihsaan) permeate life experiences and the way those may relate to students' own lives

A respect for the diverse range of religious and cultural traditions in the UAE and the wider world

A range of investigative, critical and moral thinking skills to enable them to make informed choices and decisions.

**Assessment:** Student's assessment will include formative and summative evaluations. Informal assessments will include teacher observations, whole class and group discussions, oral recitation and daily coursework sheets. Formal assessments include projects, quizzes, tests, and oral testing for Qurán memorization and Suwar's meanings.

## اللغة العربية للطلاب الناطقين بها

القسم : اللغة  
العربية للناطقين بها  
المعلم : صهيب طلب  
المنهج : منهج اللغة  
العربية للطلاب  
العرب التابع لوزارة  
التربية والتعليم .



وفقا لوزارة التربية والتعليم يجب على كل الطلاب العرب دراسة اللغة العربية من الصف الأول حتى الصف الثاني عشر .

وصف المنهج :

يعتمد المنهج الوزاري لدولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة على أسس وطرائق التعلم العالمية لإكساب اللغات لأبنائها، وتأتي اللغة العربية على رأس أولوياتها بفروعها المختلفة، حتى يتمكن الطلاب من إتقانها ويكونوا قادرين على تطوير مهاراتهم اللغوية وجعلهم يقرؤون بصورة مستقلة، يحلون، يناقشون، يُبدعون، يبحثون.

وذلك من خلال تكيف الطلاب مع عدد ساعات لتعلم اللغة العربية ( 160 دقيقة ) في الأسبوع لطلاب الصف ( 13 ) وذلك حسب توجيهات الوزارة.

- المهارات التي ينبغي على الطالب إتقانها لهذا العام حسب معايير الوثيقة الوطنية هي:

### • مهارة الكتابة :

يتميز المتعلم بقدرته على التخطيط المستقل لأعماله الكتابية، حيث يقوم بإعداد الأسئلة المناسبة للبحث وتطبيق استراتيجيات متنوعة للاستفادة من المصادر المرجعية الرقمية. كما ينتج نصوصًا متكاملة العناصر، ذات جودة عالية في الإخراج، تشمل النصوص السردية، الإقناعية، الوصفية، والمعلوماتية، مع الالتزام بعدد كلمات مناسب (500 كلمة لكل نص).

• يحرص المتعلم على التقيد بقواعد النحو والإملاء، مع توظيف بعض الأساليب البلاغية لتعزيز جودة النص، مما يعكس مهارته في الكتابة الأكاديمية والإبداعية.

### • مهارة القراءة :

يتمكن المتعلم من تحليل العلاقات بين الموضوعات الرئيسية المتعددة، والحيكات، ووجهات النظر المختلفة في النصوص بدقة وتفصيل. كما يقرأ النصوص الأدبية بأسلوب معبر ومنمغ، ويحدد ويقم اللغة المجازية والمعاني الدلالية، مع إبراز دور الخيال والأساليب البلاغية.

• يستطيع المتعلم مقارنة النتائج المختلفة في موضوع محدد، مستخرجًا أوجه التشابه والاختلاف، كما يحلل الأعمال القصصية الحديثة بناءً على الأنماط الأدبية المعتمدة.

### • مهارة الاستماع والمحادثة :

يشارك المتعلم بفعالية في النقاشات الجماعية، مستعينًا بالقراءة والبحث المسبق حول الموضوعات المطروحة. كما يقدم عروضًا معلوماتية فريدة، مع مراعاة استخدام الهياكل التنظيمية، والتواصل البصري، واللفظ الواضح.

• يحلل ويفسر الوسائط الرقمية والعروض المرئية، مستخرجًا الأهداف ووجهات النظر المقدمة. كما يعرض آراءه ونتائجه مدعمة بالأوصاف، الحقائق، والأمثلة المحددة، مستعينًا بالكتب والأدوات الأخرى لضمان تواصل فعال أمام الجمهور.

تقدير:

طرق التقييم هي كل من (اختبارات ، مشاريع كبرى ، عروض تقديمية) وتكوينية (مسابقات ، إملاء ، مناقشات ، لعب أدوار ، وأنشطة دراسية أخرى)

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For further details on course content please speak to the relevant Faculty Leader or simply go online and research your courses for yourself.

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# Post 16 2026-27 Application form Year 13



**Name:**

**Class:**

✓ Subjects studied in Year 12:

1.

2.

3.

4.

## Intentions for 2026-27

**If you are continuing:**

✓ Subjects planning to study in Year 13 (minimum 3 choices as per the option block):

1.

2.

3.

4.

**Circle the appropriate one below**

- Arabic (Arabs)
- Islamic (Muslims)
- International Project Qualification (Non- Arabs)
- PSHE (Non-Muslims)

**If you are leaving:**

- ✓ Where to?
- ✓ Which course?
- ✓ Contact details:
- ✓ E-mail address:

**Are you aware of the Ministry directive 883 regarding equivalency? Yes/ No**

Please sign the Undertaking and return the same. This confirms you are aware that leaving after Year 12, you do not qualify for equivalency and you will not be holding school responsible.

**Note:** - All students must complete 4 subjects. Please be aware that some subjects may not run if there are insufficient numbers of students to make the course viable.



**Notes for Cambridge students:**

It is important to note that the payment of the re-enrollment fee will be considered the booking fee, for Year 13. Your place on a course will only be confirmed if you achieve the grades you have been asked for. As soon as the results are declared in August 2026 you must re-confirm with us that you have met the admission criteria set by Cambridge International School. A copy of your examination results needs to be brought into school, so we can fully process your application, along with the required school fees.

**Notes for External applicants (Non-CIS students):**

New students applying to CIS need to get the predicted grades in the subjects opted at the AS level from their current school teachers along with a reference.

Your place on a course will only be confirmed if you achieve the grades you have been asked for. As soon as the results are declared in August 2026 you must re-confirm with us immediately that you have met the admission criteria set by Cambridge International School. A copy of your examination results needs to be brought into school, so we can fully process your application, along with the required first term school fees.

I confirm the information in the application form to be true.

Students Signature..... Date.....

Parents Signature..... Date.....

From **2022-23**, all **British curriculum students** will have to complete Year 13 before leaving Secondary Education as a result of the MOE Resolution No. (883) of 2019.



The MOE will now not grant its High School Equivalency Certificate until all elements, including **Arabic and Islamic studies**, have been completed. This can only be achieved in Year 13.

Year 12 students from British schools (i.e. aged 16-17) can still leave school at this age, but they will not obtain the Equivalency Certificate. This may impact their ability to go into further education, particularly here in the UAE or other regional institutions such as in Egypt. This will depend on the requirements of the various universities. As well as the duration of national services.

### **Ministerial Decision No. (883) for the Year 2019 Equivalence System of Private School Certificates**

#### **Article 4**

The following are the general conditions that must apply as part of the requirements for issuing an equivalency certificate of completion of high school:

1. The educational system and curriculum in the Private School must be recognized in UAE.
2. The awarding body that issues the certificate must be recognized by the Ministry of Education in UAE.
3. The Private School must be licensed and authorized to operate in UAE.
4. The Private School must be recognized by the awarding body that issues the certificate.
5. The educational ladder in the country awarding the certificate should be comparable to the educational ladder in UAE.
6. The student should complete 12 years of school education post Kindergarten grades, which are 2 years of education.
7. The high school certificate issued by the Private School should entitle the student to enroll in an accredited Bachelor program in the country of the education system.
8. Complying with all the rules and regulations relevant to the National requirements.

#### **Article 6**

1. For Private Schools that apply the **British educational system**, the following requirements must be met to equalize the high school certificate to the Ministry's secondary school certificate (without defining any track)
  - Apply the general conditions stipulated in Article 4 of this Resolution.
  - The student must complete the 12th grade or equivalent.
  - The student must pass 5 GCSE or IGCSE courses with grades: (A \*, A, B, C, D) or (3 to 9).  
These 5 courses must include:  
Mathematics  
One of the science subjects (Physics, Chemistry, Biology) or Combined Science Subject  
One of the following two English subjects: either English Language or English literature.  
Students must pass two (2) subjects in GCE Advanced Level in one of the success grade scales: (A \*, A, B, C, D) or equivalent grades.  
Islamic Education and Arabic Language are not counted in both levels.

Subjects studied should be chosen from the list defined by the relevant Ministry regulations.



Approved Courses in the British Curriculum (IGCSE and GCSE)

		Computer Science		Mathematics and ICT		Arts & Language	
الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	علوم الكمبيوتر	Computer Science	Mathematics and ICT	فنون ولغات	الفن و التصميم: التصميم الجرافيكي	Art and Design: Graphic Design	English
	الرياضيات	Mathematics			الأدب العالمي	World Literature	
	الرياضيات (متقدم)	Further Mathematics			الأدب (إنجليزي / أمريكي)	Literature (English) (US)	
	الرياضيات البحتة	Pure Mathematics			الأدب باللغة الإنجليزية	Literature in English	
علوم	الزراعة	Agriculture	Sciences	العلوم الإنسانية	الإنجليزية	English as a Second Language	Humanities
	التغذية و الصحة	Food and Nutrition			الإنجليزية كلغة ثانية	First Language English	
	فيزياء	Physics			تاريخ	History	
	احياء	Biology			جغرافيا	Geography	
	علوم مشتركة	Combined Sciences			الإسبانية	Spanish	
	علوم ممتقة (مزوجة)	Co-ordinated Sciences (Double)			الفرنسية	French	
	كيمياء	Chemistry			البرتغالية	Portuguese	
العلوم الاجتماعية	دراسات الأعمال	Business Studies	Social Sciences	لغات	الألمانية	German	Languages
	تجاره	Commerce			اليابانية	Japanese	
	محاسبة	Accounting			الصينية	Chinese	
	اقتصاد	Economics			تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	ICT	
	علم نفس	Psychology			التصميم و التكنولوجيا	Design and Technology	
	علم الاجتماع	Sociology			الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	Mathematics and ICT	

Approved Courses in the British Curriculum (AS/AL)

		Computer Science		Mathematics and ICT		Arts & Language		AL/AS	
الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	علوم الكمبيوتر	Computer Science	Mathematics and ICT	فنون ولغات	الفن و التصميم: التصميم الجرافيكي	Art and Design: Graphic Design	Arts & Language	AL/AS	
	تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات التطبيقية	Applied ICT			الوسائط الرقمية و التصميم	Digital Media and Design		AL/AS	
	تقنية المعلومات	Information Technology			اللغة و الأدب في اللغة الانجليزية	Language and Literature in English		English	
	التصميم و التكنولوجيا	Design and Technology			اللغة الإنجليزية	English Language		AS	
علوم	الإدارة البيئية	Environmental Management	Sciences	العلوم الإنسانية	الأدب باللغة الإنجليزية	Literature in English	Humanities	AL/AS	
	علوم الغذاء	Food Studies			الدراسات الكلاسيكية	Classical Studies		AL/AS	
	احياء	Biology			تاريخ	History		AL/AS	
	كيمياء	Chemistry			جغرافيا	Geography		AL/AS	
	فيزياء	Physics			اليابانية	Japanese		Languages	
العلوم الاجتماعية	القانون	Law	Social Sciences	لغات	الإسبانية	Spanish	Languages	AL/AS	
	الأعمال	Business			الفرنسية	French		AL/AS	
	علم النفس	Psychology			البرتغالية	Portuguese		AL/AS	
	علم الاجتماع	Sociology			الصينية	Chinese		AS	
	المحاسبة	Accounting			الرياضيات (متقدم)	Further Mathematics		Mathematics and ICT	
	اقتصاد	Economic			الرياضيات البحتة	Pure Mathematics			AL
					الرياضيات و تكنولوجيا المعلومات و الاتصالات	Mathematics			AL/AS

**Ministerial Resolution No. (40) of 2023**  
**Concerning the equivalence of vocational secondary certificates issued by private schools**

**Article Three**

BTEC Level 3 Diploma is equivalent to a vocational high school certificate according to the following conditions:

1. The general conditions stipulated in Article 2 of this decision must be applied.
2. The student must fulfill one of the following two conditions:
  - a. The student must pass five (5) subjects at the Ordinary Level (GCSE Level or IGCSE) with one of the passing grades (A\*, A, B, C, D, E) or (9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3). Provided that the student chooses the subjects prescribed for study from among the subjects specified by the Ministry  
 In the relevant regulatory decisions, Islamic education and the Arabic language are not counted among the subjects.
  - b. Or the student has successfully obtained the IB Middle Years Program (MYP) Certificate
3. The student should successfully obtain (with a score of no less than PP) a BTEC Level 3 Diploma with no less than one hundred and twenty (120) credit hours (credit points) from among the subjects specified by the Ministry in the relevant regulatory decisions.

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**Article Three**

The text of points 3 and 4 of Article Six of Ministerial Resolution No. (199) of 2019 shall be replaced with the following texts:

Previous text	New text
3. The student must pass five (5) subjects at the regular level GCSE or IGCSE with one of the passing grades A*, A, B, C, D, E	3. The student must pass five (5) subjects at the regular level GCSE or IGCSE with one of the passing grades A*, A, B, C, D, E or 9,8,7,6,5,4,3
4. The student must pass two (2) subjects at the sub-high level GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level or one (1) subject At GCE Advanced Level, one of them Passing grades (A*, A, B, C, D)	4. The student must pass two (2) subjects at the sub-high level GCE Advanced Subsidiary Level or one (1) subject At GCE Advanced Level, one of them Passing grades (A*, A, B, C, D)

**CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL DUBAI**  
**Post 16 Community Contract**  
**2026-2027**



**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Form:** \_\_\_\_\_

We understand that my son/daughter \_\_\_\_\_ has accepted a place at Cambridge International School Post 16 Community conditional upon the following requirements being met at all times.

(Name) \_\_\_\_\_ shall:

- Attend all school lessons and other activities within their Post 16 timetable regularly and punctually
- Be present for every registration session and shall attend assemblies and well-being sessions as required
- Use any non-timetabled time for individual private study in allocated areas
- Not leave the school site during lesson time unless previously agreed and discussed with the Head of Year 12 or the Head of Year 13 respectively and in consultation with parents
- Wherever possible make routine appointments with the doctor, dentist etc. outside of school hours.
- Adhere to the Post 16 Dress Code by being smart and presentable at all times
- Meet all deadlines set for homework and coursework for all subjects
- At all times set a good example to the younger students in the school
- Behave in an exemplary manner in accordance with the school's Code of Behaviour
- Respect his/her surroundings and recognize the right of other students to study in peace
- Notify the Learning Managers / Head of Year 12 or the Head of Year 13 respectively in case of absence
- Will use any study lessons effectively and be at the correct designated place

I/We agree that \_\_\_\_\_ shall meet the above requirements at all times and understand that failure to do so will result in a meeting to discuss her/his continuing education at Cambridge International School Post 16 Community.

***We have also read and understand the requirements and expectations of the courses being opted for.***

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent) Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Student)

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



### Certificate of Undertaking

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I, the undersigned, parent of \_\_\_\_\_ confirm that my son/daughter will not need an MOE Equivalency Certificate to pursue his/her university studies.

Kindly, permit him/her to graduate in Year 12 instead of Year 13.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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