

ECONOMICS



WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Economics is the study of human behaviour, choices and decision making in a world with unlimited human wants and needs and limited resources. You will study how markets work and fail.

Seeking to understand dynamics of change at a micro level (e.g. industry level) and at a macro level (e.g. within and between countries). Micro-economics is the study of firms, consumers, and various industries. Macro-economics is the study of the whole economy - inflation, employment and unemployment, trade and globalisation, income inequality, economic growth versus development, emerging economies such as MIST, fiscal, monetary and supply-side policies. You will look into retail and commercial banks. Economics helps us to understand how the world works and how to make it a better place. It is at the heart of understanding major social problems of our time including climate change, inequality, poverty, health care, an ageing population, obesity, globalisation and impact of AI.

A LEVEL ECONOMICS

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 5 GCSE subjects graded 9-5 including English and Maths. 2 GCSE subjects graded 9-6 (one in an essay-based subject).

COURSE FEATURES

- Academic Development - opportunity to take additional qualifications and develop skills alongside academic studies.
- Work placement.
- Partnerships with some of the UK's leading employers.
- Programme designed in response to the findings of some of the UK's leading universities and businesses.
- Exceptional learning facilities.
- Small class sizes.
- Additional academic support tutorials delivered individually or in small groups.
- Mock interviews.
- Opportunities to undertake enterprise projects and compete in local and national competitions.
- Enrichment opportunities that add value to applications for higher study and chosen careers, including an enhanced guest speaker programme.

Economic careers are among the fastest-growing and in-demand occupations because every industry needs business professionals.

The Economics A Level will help you understand the nature and scope of business and financial functions, and the economic environment in which they exist.

The world of economics offers great career opportunities for those aspiring to work in a fast paced, high-pressured environment.

ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

Students benefit from a range of extra qualifications, work placements, voluntary work and masterclasses, delivered by industry experts. Options include:

Guest speakers from: Bank of England • Regional Director, Santander Bank • HSBC • Operations Director, Fedora Investment Company

If you have any queries please contact our Admissions Team: **01942 761 111** or email: **applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk**

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COURSE LENGTH

A Level Economics is full-time for two academic years.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Through written exams.

WHAT CAN I PROGRESS TO?

You may progress to study at a Russell group university for a degrees in business or finance.

UNIVERSITY COURSES

Behavioural Economics

Economics

Econometrics

Economics and Finance

Economics for Business

Economics with Politics

Politics and Philosophy

CAREER ASPIRATIONS

Studying economics equips you with a skill for every sector. Careers include:

Accountant

Business Consultant

Charity & Development Advisor

Corporate Lawyer

Data Engineer

Government Policy Advisor

Intelligent Analyst

Marketing & Customer Insight Analyst

Risk and Investment Analyst

Stock Market Trader



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