# **CORE MATHS - LEVEL 3**

Qualification Level	AS Level/ Level 3
Exam Board/ Specification	AQA <a href="https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/mathematics/specifications/AQA-1350-SP-2014.PDF">https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/mathematics/specifications/AQA-1350-SP-2014.PDF</a>
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### Why study this course?

Core Maths is about students doing meaningful mathematical problems to increase their confidence in using mathematics to be better equipped for the mathematical demands of other courses, higher education and employment.

Core Maths is a Level 3 qualification for students who wish to develop their practical skills so they may apply these in work, study or everyday life.

Studying Core Maths will provide support to students in several A level subjects such as:

- Geography
- Business Studies
- Psychology
- Economics

This follows through to a range of course at University that require mathematical skills as part of the studies. The Statistical element in particular provide key skills both through academic studies and future work environment.

#### **Course content**

Core Maths requires 2 hours of study per week and is run over a 2-year programme. It is a Level 3 qualification / AS Level.

- Paper 1: Focus is on Mathematical skills and personal finance.
- Paper 2: Chose an option from the following. Statistical concepts, Critical path and Risk Analysis or Graphical techniques.

#### Exam/ Assessment structure

2 x 1.5 hours exam papers taken as part of Summer exam series.



# Higher education/ career links

Core Maths is an enabling subject for University applications and Apprenticeship programmes. A grade in Core Maths could potentially lower the entry grade requirements for HE courses.

# Specific equipment or resources required

Scientific calculator

# **Entry requirements**

Level 4 or above in GCSE Maths.