

Minimum GCSE requirement for A-level study

To achieve the best results at A-level we generally recommend that students opt for subjects where they are likely to achieve an A/7 or above at GCSE. Minimum grade requirements for all subjects are shown below:

Subject	Min Grade Required	Subject	Min Grade Required
Art & Design	GCSE Grade 6 in Art and Design	Latin	GCSE Grade 6 in Latin
Business	GCSE Grade 6 in Mathematics	Maths	GCSE Grade 8 in Mathematics
Biology	GCSE Grade 7 in Biology and GCSE Grade 7 in Maths. For those studying Double Science, 2 Grade 8s in GCSE Double Science ('Trilogy') and GCSE Grade 7 in Maths	Further Maths	GCSE Grade 9 in Mathematics (please note that to study Further Maths students must also choose A level Maths, effectively taking up two options)
Chemistry	GCSE Grade 7 in Chemistry and GCSE Grade 7 in Maths. For those studying Double Science, 2 Grade 8s in GCSE Double Science ('Trilogy') and GCSE Grade 7 in Maths	Media Studies	GCSE Grade 6 in Media Studies or English Literature
Classical Civilisation	GCSE Grade 6 in either English Language, English Literature or History	BTEC Creative Digital Media Production	5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above
Computer Science	GCSE Grade 7 in GCSE Computer Science <u>and</u> GCSE Grade 7 in Maths For those who have not taken Computer Science at GCSE, GCSE Grade 8 in Mathematics, plus some evidence of programme experience	Music	Grade 6 instrumental performance or equivalent.
Drama & Theatre Studies	GCSE Grade 7 in Drama (or for those who have not taken Drama, suitable appropriate practical experience) and Grade 6 in English Literature.	Philosophy	GCSE Grade 7 in GCSE Religious Studies OR if the student has not studied GCSE Religious Studies, GCSE Grade 7 in English and Mathematics
Design & Technology	GCSE Grade 6 in Design & Technology course	Photography	GCSE Grade 6 in Art or Design & Technology
Economics	GCSE Grade 7 in Mathematics	Physics	GCSE Grade 7 in Physics and GCSE Grade 7 in Maths. For those studying Double Science, 2 Grade 8s in GCSE Double Science ('Trilogy') and GCSE Grade 7 in Maths
English Literature	GCSE Grade 7 in English Literature or GCSE Grade 6 in both English Language <u>and</u> English Literature	Politics	GCSE Grade 6 in English Language
French	GCSE Grade 7 in French	Psychology	GCSE Grade 7 in Biology or GCSE Grade 7 in GCSE Trilogy

Geography	GCSE Grade 6 in Geography	Spanish	GCSE Grade 7 in Spanish
German	GCSE Grade 7 in German	BTEC Sport and Exercise Science	Five GCSEs at Grade 5 or above with suitable practical expertise in sport
History	GCSE Grade 7 in History		

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