Sixth Form Course Entry Requirements 2027

All of our level 3 courses require students to have a minimum of 5 x grade 4 GCSE/Level 2 Pass. Each subject then has its own additional requirements.

A level Subject	*GCSE Entry requirements*
Art, Craft & Design	*5 in Art and Design*
Biology	*6 in Triple Science Biology **or** 6-6 in Combined Science and 5 in Maths from the higher tier.*
Business	*Either 6 in Business (if taken at GCSE) or Grade 6 in English Language/English Literature. In both cases a Grade 5 in Maths is expected.*
Chemistry	*6 in Triple Science Chemistry **or** 6-6 in Combined Science and 5 in Maths, from the higher tier.*
Computer Science	*Grade 6 in Maths. (GCSE Computer Science is not essential but, if taken, then a grade 6 is required)* *Please note that you cannot opt for both Computer Science and IT.*
Design & Technology: Product Design	*Grade 6 in Design & Technology or a Level 2 Merit in Engineering. In both cases a grade 4 in Maths is required*
Drama & Theatre	*Grade 6 in English Language **or** English Literature and 6 in GCSE Drama, if taken.*
Economics	*6 in Business Studies (if taken at GCSE) or Grade 6 in English Language/English Literature, in both cases a Grade 6 in Maths is required.*
English Literature	*6 in English Literature and 5 in English Language, or vice versa*
French	*6 in French*
Further Mathematics	*9 in Maths, or high 8 with teacher recommendation*
Geography	*6 in Geography (if taken at GCSE) **or** Grade 6 in English Language or English Literature (if not).*
History	*6 in History (if taken at GCSE) **or** Grade 6 in English Language or English Literature (if not).*
Law	*6 in English Language **or** English Literature*
Mathematics	*6 in Maths. Please note that you cannot opt for both Maths and Core Maths.*
Media Studies	*6 in Media Studies (if taken at GCSE) or Grade 6 in English Language **or** English Literature.*

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Photography	*Art and Design Grade 5 or Photography grade 5*
Physical Education	*6 in PE, plus 6 in Triple Science Biology **or** 6-5 in Combined Science*
Physics	*6 in Triple Science Physics **or** 6-6 in Combined Science and 5 in Maths, from the higher tier.*
Politics	*Grade 6 in either History, English Language **or** English Literature.*
Psychology	*Grade 6 in English Language **or** English Literature and a 5 in Maths.*
Sociology	*6 in Sociology (if taken at GCSE) or Grade 6 in English Language **or** English Literature (if not).*
Spanish	*6 in Spanish*
AAQ Level 3 Subjects	**GCSE Entry requirements** Subject to change following the planned post-16 reforms
Cambridge Technical in Business	*Business is **not** essential, but if taken, then minimum grade 4/level 2 pass is expected. Please note that you cannot opt for either Economics or Business Studies with Cambridge Technical in Business.*
Core Maths (Taken along with 2 other subjects)	*A minimum of grade 5 in Maths GCSE, from the higher tier. Please note this is a 1 year course and students will need to choose another applied course in Year 13. You cannot opt for both Maths and Core Maths.*
Core Maths (Taken as a 4th subject)	*A minimum of grade 6 in Maths GCSE and 5 x grade 6 or above. Please note that you cannot opt for both Maths and Core Maths.*
Food Science & Nutrition	*GCSE Food Preparation & Nutrition is not essential but, if taken, then a grade 4 is expected*
Health & Social Care	*No additional requirements*
IT – Digital System and Data	*Minimum grade 4/ Level 2 Pass in ICT if taken or grade 4 in Computer Science if taken. Please note that you cannot opt for both Information Technology and Computer Science.*
Music	*Grade 5 in any instrument **or** the ability to perform at the equivalent of grade 5 in any instrument*
Travel & Tourism	*Travel and Tourism is not essential but, if taken, then a Level 2 Pass is required*
Level 2 Package Biology GCSE, Citizenship GCSE, Health & Social Care Cambridge National Certificate with English Language GCSE and/or Maths GCSE as required. Work experience one day a week.	
2x GCSE grade 4/Level 2 pass and 2 x GCSE grade 3	