How to co-teach our AS and A-level Business specifications

AS Year 12 and A-level Year 12 (first year)

All students can be taught together.

The whole class studies:

- What is business?
- Managers, leadership and decision making
- Marketing management
- Operational management
- Financial management
- Human resource management

At the end of Year 12 students decide to:

- continue straight to A-level with no exam; or
- sit AS exams and finish with an AS qualification; or
- sit AS exams then decide whether to continue to A-level or not

Continue straight to second year of the A-level?

Yes

No AS exams

No

Sit AS exams

AS assessment

Paper 1

- Covering topics studied in the first year
- Written exam paper (1 hour 30 minutes)
- 50% of AS

Paper 2

- Covering topics studied in the first year
- Written exam paper (1 hour 30 minutes)
- 50% of AS

Stand alone AS qualification

No

Continue to second year of the A-level?

Yes

A-level Year 13 (second year)

Students investigate the strategic decisions that all businesses have to make:

- Analysing the strategic position of a business
- Choosing the strategic direction
- Strategic methods: how to pursue strategies
- Managing strategic change

A-level assessment

Paper 1

- Covering topics studied in the first and second year
- Written exam paper (2 hours)
- 33.3% of A-level

Paper 2

- Covering topics studied in the first and second year
- Written exam paper (2 hours)
- 33.3% of A-level

Paper 3

- Covering topics studied in the first and second year
- Written exam paper (2 hours)
- 33.3% of A-level

Sit A-level exams

A-level qualification

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