

A LEVELS & A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

FEES AND FUNDING

Printing

Students are responsible for their own printing and photocopying costs.

Bursary Fund

A bursary fund is available to students on a low income to help with the costs of coming to college. To find out if you are eligible, contact the Advice & Guidance Centre or visit petroc.ac.uk - <https://www.petroc.ac.uk/life-at-petroc/advice-guidance/fees-and-funding/>

Lockers:

We recommend students hire a locker for the academic year. The cost is £8 for the year, which is non-refundable.

REQUIREMENTS BY SUBJECT

A Level Art and Design

Equipment

- A3 sketchbook (preferably from The Pink Pig, Seawhite or Daler Rowney)
- A3 plastic portfolio
- A range of graphite drawing pencils
- Assorted sizes of fine liners
- Various coloured biros
- An eraser
- Materials that you prefer to work in (basic acrylic set, watercolour set, chalk pastels etc)
- Pritt stick

A Level Biology

Equipment

- Lab Coat (Optional)

Books

- Textbook (Covers Year 1 and Year 2)
A level Biology for OCR Student Book by Ann Fullick, Jo Locke and Paul Bircher, ISBN 978-0198351924, Publisher Oxford University Press September 2015

A Level Business

Books

- AQA Business for A Level (Marcouse) ISBN 978-1471835698
Students can access this via Petroc as an eBook should they wish not to buy a physical copy.
- Workbook Business 1 (Topics 1-6) Year 1
[https://www.hoddereducation.com/subjects/business-andaccounting/products/16-18/aqa-a-level-business-workbook-1-\(1\)](https://www.hoddereducation.com/subjects/business-andaccounting/products/16-18/aqa-a-level-business-workbook-1-(1))
- Workbook Business 2 (Topics 7-10) Year 2
[https://www.hoddereducation.com/subjects/business-andaccounting/products/16-18/aqa-a-level-business-workbook-2-\(1\)](https://www.hoddereducation.com/subjects/business-andaccounting/products/16-18/aqa-a-level-business-workbook-2-(1))

A Level Chemistry

Books

- A Level Chemistry for OCR A: Year 1 and AS (OCR A Level Sciences) Paperback by Rob Ritchie and Dave Gent, 8 January 2015, ISBN 978-0198351962

A Level Classical Civilisation

Books

First Year:

- The Odyssey. By Homer; Translated by Dominic Rieu, ISBN 978-0140449112
- OCR Classical Civilisation A Level Components 32 and 33: Love and Relationships and Politics of the Late Republic, ISBN 978-1350021037
- OCR Classical Civilisation AS and A Level Component 11: The World of The Hero, ISBN 978-1350015074. Author: Sally Knights Books

Second Year:

- The Aeneid by Virgil. Translated by David West, Penguin. ISBN 978-0140449327
- OCR Classical Civilisation AS and A Level Components 21 and 22. ISBN 978-1350015111

A Level Computer Science

Books

First Year:

- AS Level AQA Computer Science (Year 1) by PM Heathcote and RSU Heathcote, ISBN 978-1910523063
- AS and A Level AQA Computer Science A Level course textbook by PM Heathcote and RSU Heathcote, ISBN 978-1910523070

Second Year:

- AQA A level Computer Science by Bob Reeves, ISBN-13: 9781471839511

A Level Economics

Books

First Year:

- Markets ,Consumers and Firms by N Wall and B Ellis, 2nd Edition, ISBN 978-178014013, Published by Anforme Ltd
- The Wider Economic Environment by N Wall and B Ellis, 3rd Edition, ISBN 978-178014119, Published by Anforme Ltd
- Revision Guide to Year 1 Economics B by P. Cramp, New Edition (2024-25), ISBN 978-1780140179, Published by Anforme Ltd

Second Year:

- The Global Economy by N Wall and B Ellis, 2nd Edition ISBN 978-1739807320, Published by Anforme Ltd
- Making Markets Work by N Wall and B Ellis, 2nd Edition ISBN 978-1739807368, Published by Anforme Ltd
- Revision Guide to Year 2 Economics B by N Wall and B Ellis, New Edition (2024-25), ISBN 978-1780140179, published by Anforme Ltd

These books are easily available from The Economics Factory, simply scroll down to Edexcel Economics B print books

<https://economicsfactory.com/product-category/print-books/>

A Level English Language

Books – covers Year 1 and Year 2

- AS/A Level English Language for AQA Student Book by Marcello Giovanelli, Gary Ives, John Keen, Raj Rana, and Rachel Rudman, ISBN 978-1107465626 - recommended but not essential
- A Little Book of Language (Little Histories) by David Crystal - ISBN 978-0300170825

A Level English Literature

Books

First Year:

- English Literature A/AS Level for AQA Student Book by Russel Carey, Anne Fairhall and Tom Rank (Cambridge University Press) ISBN 978-1107467927
- Othello by William Shakespeare (Cambridge Edition) ISBN 978-1107615595
- The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood ISBN 978-0099740919
- The Great Gatsby by F Scott Fitzgerald: Introduction by Tony Tanner (Penguin Modern Classics) ISBN 978-0141182636
- A Brief History of English Literature Second Edition by John Peck and Martin Coyle (Red Globe Press) ISBN 978-1137352668

Second Year:

- Feminine Gospels by Carol Anne Duffy (Picador) ISBN 978-1509852918
- A Streetcar Named Desire by Tennessee Williams (Penguin Modern Classics) ISBN 978-0141190273

A Level Environmental Science

Equipment:

- Calculator – Casio 991EX or Equivalent

Books - covers Year 1 and Year 2

- AQA Environmental Science by Richard Genn, 2nd Edition, publisher Insight & Perspective, publication date 1 March 2018, ISBN 978-1912190072

A Level Geography

Books

First Year:

- Geography for Edexcel A Level Year 1 and AS second edition Student Book (Geography for Edexcel A Level second edition) by Bob Digby, publisher Oxford University Press, ISBN 978-1382046947

Second Year:

- Geography for Edexcel A Level Year 2 second edition Student Book (Geography for Edexcel A Level & AS (Second Edition)) by Bob Digby, publisher Oxford University Press, ISBN 978-1382046992

A Level History

Books – covers Year 1 and Year 2

Germany:

- Oxford AQA History: The Quest for Political Stability: Germany 1871-1991 (Oxford A Level History for AQA) Paperback – 10 Sept. 2015 by Sally Waller, ISBN 978-0198354680 (Mandatory)
- A History of Modern Germany: 1800 to the Present paperback – 1 Sept. 2023, by Martin Kitchen, Lauren Faulkner Rossi, ISBN 978-1119746386 (Optional)

Wars of the Roses:

- The Wars of the Roses, 1450-1499: A/As Level History for AQA Student Book (A Level (AS) History AQA) Paperback – Student Edition, 25 Feb. 2016, by Jessica Lutkin, ISBN 978-1316504376 (Mandatory)

Russia/Crusades:

- AQA A-level History Coursework Workbook: Component 3 Historical investigation (non-exam assessment) Paperback – 27 April 2018, by Keith Milne, ISBN 978-1510423527 (Optional)

A Level Law

Books

First Year:

- AQA Law for A-Level Year 1 and AS Authors: Jacqueline Martin, Nicholas Price, Publisher: Hodder Education, ISBN 978-1510401648

Second Year:

- AQA A level Law for Year 2. Authors Jacqueline Martin, Nicholas Price, and Richard Wortley. Hodder Education. ISBN 978-1510401747
- AQA A Level Law My revision notes, Authors: Clare Wilson and Craig Beauman. Hodder Education ISBN 978-1510429222 – recommended but not essential

A Level Mathematics

Equipment

- Calculator – Casio 991EX or equivalent

Books

First Year:

- Edexcel AS and A Level Mathematics Pure Mathematics Year 1/AS, Pearson, ISBN 978-1292183398 – required by September
- Edexcel AS and A Level Mathematics Statistics and Mechanics Year 1/AS Pearson. ISBN-13: 978-1292232539 – required by September

Second Year:

- Edexcel A Level Mathematics Pure Mathematics Year 2, Pearson ISBN 978-1292183404
- Edexcel A Level Mathematics Statistics and Mechanics Year 2, Pearson ISBN 978-1446944073

A Level Media Studies

Books – covers Year 1 and Year 2

- AQA Media Studies for A Level: Student Book - Revised Edition Paperback – 24 May 2024 by Elspeth Stevenson, Stephanie Hendry, ISBN 978-1398388017
- AQA Media Studies for A Level : Close Study Products Paperback – 23 May 2024 by Elspeth Stevenson, Stephanie Hendry, Diane Naylor), ISBN 978-1398388024

Recommended but not essential:

- The Media Student's Book by Gill Branston and Roy Stafford, ISBN 978-0415558426
- Digital Culture: Understanding New Media by Glen Creeber and Royston Martin, ISBN 978-0335221974
- Key Themes in Media Theory by Dan Laughey, ISBN 978-8131602140
- Convergence Culture: Where old and new media collide by Henry Jenkins, ISBN 978-0814742815

A Level Physics

Books – covers Year 1 and Year 2

- A Level Physics for OCR by Gurinder Chadha, Graham Bone & Nigel Saunders, ISBN 978-0198352181

Recommended but not essential:

- Practice in Physics by Tim Akrill, George Bennet, and Chris Millar. 4th Edition, ISBN 978-1444121254

A Level Politics

Please only purchase digital editions if you intend to study with a laptop for your politics lessons

Books

First Year:

- AQA A-level Politics: Government and Politics of the UK, Government and Politics of the USA and Comparative Politics Second Edition paperback, 30 May 2025, 978-1036011437

Second Year:

- Political ideas for A Level: Liberalism, Socialism, Conservatism, Multiculturalism, Nationalism, Ecologism 2nd Edition paperback, 28 April 2023, 978-1398369184

A Level Psychology

Books

First Year:

- AQA Psychology for A Level: Year 1 and AS Revision Guide 3rd edition by Cara Flanagan, Matt Jarvis and Rob Liddle, 20 June 2025, ISBN 978-1036013370

Second Year:

- AQA Psychology for A Level Year 2 Revision Guide: 2nd Edition by Cara Flanagan et al, Hachette Learning, 15 September 2020, ISBN 978-1912820474

A Level Sociology

Books

First Year:

- AQA A Level Sociology Book One (including AS level). Napier Press. Authors: Webb, R., Westergaard, H., Trobe, K. and Townend, A. (2015). ISBN 978-095400791-1
- AQA A Level Sociology Themes and Perspectives: Year 1 and AS (Haralambos and Holborn AQA A Level Sociology) paperback, 2 Mar. 2018, ISBN 978-0008242770

Second Year:

- AQA A Level Sociology Book Two. Napier Press Sociology. Authors: Rob Webb, Hal Westergaard, Keith Trobe, and Annie Townend, ISBN: 978-0954007928
- AQA A Level Sociology Themes and Perspectives: Year 2 (Haralambos and Holborn AQA A Level Sociology) paperback, 3 July 2018, ISBN 978-0008242787

BTEC Certificate in Sport Level 3 (A Level Equivalent)

Books – covers Year 1 and Year 2

- BTEC Nationals Sport Student Book 1 + Activebook. ISBN 978-1292134000

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Books

AAQ Applied Science

- BTEC National Applied Science Student Book 1 (BTEC Nationals Applied Science 2016) paperback, 25 July 2016, by Joanne Hartley, Frances Annets, Chris Meunier, Roy Llewellyn, & 3 more, ISBN 978-1292134093

AS Business

- AQA Business for A Level (Marcousé) paperback, 25 Sept. 2015, by Ian Marcouse, Nigel Watson, Andrew Hammond, ISBN 978-1471835698

AS Psychology

- AQA Psychology for A Level: Year 1 and AS Third edition paperback, 20 Jun. 2025, by Cara Flanagan, Rob Liddle, Matt Jarvis, ISBN 978-1036011970