

# **ACCOUNTING AS**

Level: 3

BOARD: AQA

LENGTH OF COURSE: AS COURSE – FIRST YEAR

A2 COURSE – SECOND YEAR

## **What will I learn?**

The syllabus aims are to develop:

1. A knowledge and understanding of the purpose of accounting, of accounting concepts and techniques and to develop the application of those techniques;
2. The skill of numeracy, communication, presentation, analysis and evaluation of the accounting techniques;
3. The ability to compile accounting reports in good format and to use them as the basis of informed and rational decision-making;
4. A capacity for logical and objective thought which will serve as an end in its own right, as well as a basis for further study in accounting.

## **How will I learn?**

Through a combination of formal teaching, discussion, individual and group presentations, homework and class work activities, independent research and regular testing.

## **How will I be assessed?**

Unit based assessment.

The AS Unit – Unit 1 – represents 50% of Advance GCE. The AS unit will assess the knowledge, understanding and skills expected of students who have completed the first half of the full Advanced GCE course.

## **Where might it lead?**

You could take this course to complement other advanced courses or to prepare for the A2 part of the Advanced GCE in Accountancy, which could lead onto higher education in areas of finance, accounting, mathematics or more general higher education courses. With further training and qualifications, you could go into a job related to accounting such as an Accountant.

GCE A Level Accounting lays an appropriate foundation for the future of study of vocationally related and occupational qualifications such as the Association of Accounting Technicians ( AAT ) Foundation, Intermediate and Technician levels. The syllabus also provides a useful grounding for the examinations offered by the professional bodies such as the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants ( ACCA ) the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants ( CIMA ) and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy ( CIPFA ).

## **What are the entry requirements?**

Level 2 threshold (5 A\* - C GCSE passes or equivalent). To include B grades at GCSE in Mathematics and English Language.

**Further information is available from: Mr C Garford**