



ACCOUNTING A-LEVEL

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| Course Mode | Part-time |
| Location | Milnthorpe Road Campus (MRC) |
| Duration | 2 Years |
| Level | 3 |



Course Overview

This course will enable you to effectively analyse and evaluate financial data so that you can make judgements, decisions and recommendations about how businesses can manage their financial affairs. The programme examines two main aspects of accountancy: Financial accounting and management accounting.

Financial accounting is a system for organising assets, liabilities, expenses and income. This information is used to create a record of performance (Statement of Profit or Loss) and a record of the current state of assets, liabilities and capital (Statement of financial position). There is an emphasis on accurate ethical presentation of this financial data to interested parties such as shareholders.

Management accounting is concerned with planning, control, decision making and analysis within organisations. This involves understanding cost behaviour within organisations in order to build budgets, set targets, monitor variances and align the business with overall strategy.

The underlying theme of accounting revolves around accuracy, diligence and application of principle. As a subject it is more arithmetical than mathematical although an ability to understand systems and rules is important.

You will develop the following skills on this course: organisation and assessment of data; investigation and analysis; effective communication; team working to achieve results; working on your own initiative; methodical and critical thinking. These skills will demonstrate to employers, universities and business colleagues that you possess the ability to commit, and have acquired good reasoning and analytical skills, which are essential in practically every walk of life.

All of the above will be taught by fully qualified chartered accountants who have specialised in this highly demanding discipline and now teach in

our business school.

You will complete the AS in the first year and the A2 in the second year to form a full A-Level.

Entry Requirements

5 GCSEs at 5 or above which must include English Language

GCSE Maths at Grade 6

After your course

If you are focused on further study or a career in accounting, banking or business, this course is a great choice. But even if you plan on pursuing a career as a professional musician or a self-employed entrepreneur, it's vital you understand accounting. That way you'll be able to control your own finances and understand the implications of business propositions.

A-Level accountancy provides a good understanding of what governs business, how business results are reported and how business is controlled. Employment within accountancy could be at various levels from junior bookkeeper up to financial director and in this respect can provide a good career path. If university is the main medium term goal, then A-Level accounting would be useful as a business related subject. If employment is the medium term goal then AAT (Association of Accounting Technicians) might also be considered.

Fees

£724.00

Course fees are per year for full-time & degree-level courses, and per course for part-time courses.

The current full-time & degree-level fee information is related to the 2020/21 academic year and is subject to change before the start of the course. Fees for 2021/22 will be updated in the Spring Term 2021. There may also be additional costs associated with the course.

You may qualify for financial support to cover the cost of a government-funded qualification up to and including Level 2, if you:

- Receive an eligible means-tested benefit e.g. JSA, ESA or Universal Credit
- Have an annual salary of less than £17,004
- Are aged 16-18 on 31/08/20 and are not studying at another school/college
- Are aged 19-23 on 31/08/20 and do not already have a Level 1 or 2 qualification
- Have a household income under £25,000 and are in financial hardship

Student Finance

Whether you qualify for student finance depends on specific criteria. The main student finance package for full-time students includes a tuition fee loan and maintenance loan for living costs. Part-time students can access a tuition fee loan to pay for your course.

Generally, you will only get student finance if you're doing your first degree-level qualification. This is true even if your previous course was self-funded.

For further information please see www.gov.uk/student-finance.

Access to Learning Fund

The Access to Learning Fund is a non-repayable discretionary fund that gives students facing hardship extra financial support to access and remain in higher education. This can be accessed via the college. Please speak to [Student Services](#) for more information.