

GCSE Business Subjects and Economics



The following information is taken from the draft specification and may be subject to change.

A specification developed with you and your students in mind

We have developed our new specification in response to your feedback.

Greater flexibility

of a modular structure allowing you to choose what units you teach which best suit your teaching style and resources and your students' interests and learning styles.

Updated content

to help enhance your teaching, by using real business examples, a new Enterprise Unit in GCSE Applied Business and a personal economic approach to Economics.

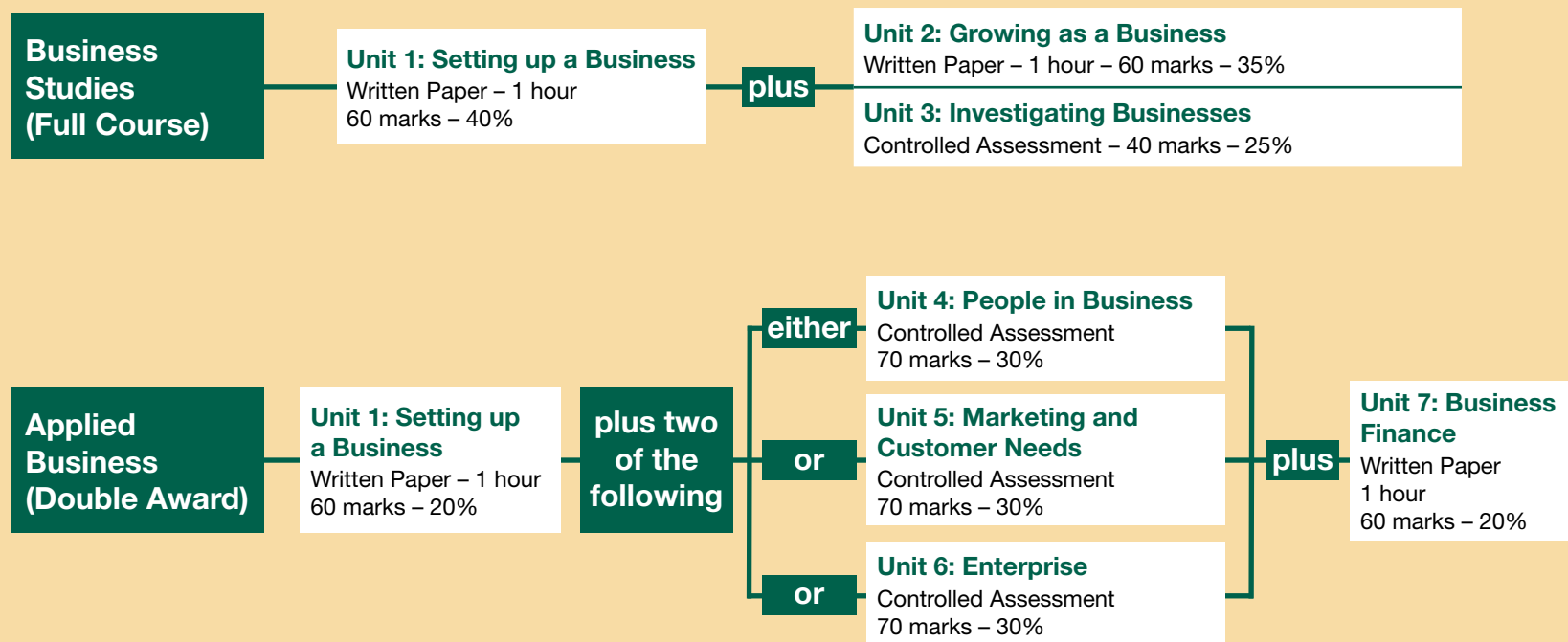
More options

with a number of different types of assessment to choose from including External Written Tests, Controlled Assessment, Portfolio Work and Practical External Test (ICT).

More choice

with short courses in both Business Studies and Economics.

- All subjects in our new specification follow a modular structure.
- Full Course and Double Award Units 1, 8 and 11 are available for first examination in June 2010 and first certification in June 2011.
- Short Course Units 11, 13 and 14 are available for first examination and certification in June 2010.



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Business and Communication Systems

Unit 8: ICT Systems in Business

Written Paper – 1 hour
60 marks – 40%

plus

Unit 9: Using ICT in Business

Practical Exam Paper – 1 hour 30 minutes
60 marks – 35%

Unit 10: Investigating ICT in Business

Controlled Assessment
40 marks – 25%

Economics (Full Course)

Unit 11: Personal Economics

Written Paper – 1 hour 15 minutes
70 marks – 50%

plus

Unit 12: Investigating Economic Issues

Written Paper – 1 hour 15 minutes
70 marks – 50%

Economics (Short Course)

Unit 11: Personal Economics

Written Paper – 1 hour 15 minutes
70 marks – 100%

Business Studies (Short Course)

Unit 13: Business Start Up

Written Paper (Short Course) – 1 hour
40 marks – 50%

Unit 14: Investigating Small Businesses

Controlled Assessment (Short Course)
40 marks – 50%