

Business Studies IGCSE	
Summary This course provides a thorough understanding of the principles, terminology, concepts and methods of business. You'll cover topics such as business operations, marketing, and business finance and will develop your critical thinking and analytical skills.	
Course Provider	National Extension College (NEC); Woolpack House, 70 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ. 01223400200 ; contact email: pet@nec.ac.uk
Qualification Accreditation	Pearson Edexcel; Ofqual 603/0121/1
Academic level	GCSE
PET entry requirements	Level 2 English
Format of course material	Paper-based only. All materials including assignments are sent at the beginning of the course. This includes a welcome letter and an Introductory Assignment
Structure of course	Eight Lessons: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Business activity 2. Influences on business 3. People in business 4. Business finance 5. Marketing 6. Business operations 7. Small business revision 8. Large business revision
Assignments	There are eight written assignments (these do not count towards the final grade but they are essential for learning and exam preparation) plus an initial assessment. Assignments should be sent one by one. The feedback is available within 5 working days from submission for marking.
Exam	There are 2 invigilated, closed book exams of 1h30 each. Multiple-choice, short-answer, data-response and open-ended questions. Resits are not possible. Results are available in 3 months after sitting the exams.

Estimated completion time	150 hours
Maximum course duration	The course needs to be completed within 18 months.
Prison support requirements	1. support assessment submission (ideally scan to the tutor or post). It is recommended to make copies in case assignments get lost; 2. Help facilitate exam 3. contact supplier for more info on assignment submission or exam facilitation. See contact details are above in the 'Course provider' section.
Supplier tutor's support	There is supplier's support available. Tutors provide feedback on learners' work and answer queries via prison staff. See 'Contact provider' section for more details.
Certificate	Yes. Awarding Organisation Official Qualification is Awarded upon sitting exams. Fees apply for duplicates.
Progress	A-level Business studies To discuss any progression routes, call our free Advice Line on 0800 048 7520 on Tuesdays (10-12pm and 2-4pm) and Thursdays (10am-12pm and 2-6pm).