

### **Cambridge GCE A Level**

University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) is the world's largest provider of international qualifications for 14–19 year olds. It offers a broad range of internationally recognised qualifications, both academic and vocational. These include the Cambridge IGCSE, Cambridge International A Level, Cambridge O Level and Cambridge Pre-U, a new post-16 qualification, plus a range of vocational Cambridge International Diplomas.

### **London GCE A Level**

The London GCE AS and A-levels examinations are set by **Edexcel International Examinations**.

Edexcel was formed in 1996 by the merger of the **Business & Technology Education Council (BTEC)**, the UK leading provider of vocational qualifications, and the **University of London Examinations & Assessment Council (ULEAC)**, one of the major exam boards for GCSEs and A levels.

The Edexcel London GCE O-level, AS/A Levels provide an alternative to the local GCE Cambridge examinations. The difference between the Edexcel London and Cambridge examinations is that they are from different examining boards. The Edexcel London examinations are of the same standard as the Cambridge GCE O-level, AS/A-levels although the actual subject content may differ.

An Advanced GCE qualification is comprised of two components known as Advanced Subsidiary "AS units" and "A2 units". Candidates who finish the first component AS units will be awarded an AS-level Certificate and those who finish both components, AS and A2 units will be awarded an A-level Certificate.

### **Entry Requirements:**

SPM with 5 credits (including English, Mathematics/Science and a pass in Bahasa Melayu) or GCSE 'O'-level or equivalent. Forecast results are accepted.

### **Duration:**

1 – 1.5 years.

### **Intake:**

January (Main intake), March and July

### **Fee:**

RM 13,000 – RM 25,000 for 3 - 4 subjects

### **Subjects:**

As a benchmark, a full GCE A-level certificate is one with a pass in 3 A-levels and 2 AS-levels.

Students are advised on the subject combination that suitable for the undergraduate degree programmes they wish to take after A-level.

- General Paper (Compulsory)
- Accounting
- Applied Information Communication Technology

- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Computing
- Computing Thinking Skills
- Economics
- English Literature
- Law
- Mathematics
- Further Mathematics (Must be taken with mathematics)
- Physics
- Psychology
- Sociology

#### **Examination :**

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- June and November, with results in August and January respectively.

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- For January examination sessions, results are normally released in mid March.
- For May/June examination sessions, results are released in mid August.
- A-level is split into 2 phases – AS (Advanced Subsidiary) and A2 examinations.

#### **Assessment:**

- Subjects are graded A to E. Grade A is awarded for the highest level of achievement, grade E for the lowest, and a U grade (ungraded) is issued for papers that do not meet the requirements of the assessment.

#### **Recognition:**

The General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) is one of the most recognized Pre-U programmes around the world. It is used as an entrance exam to universities in the United Kingdom and is accepted for entry into countries in the Commonwealth of Nations, European Union Germany, Russia, and USA.

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Note : This information is current as at July 2009.