

Supporting Your Learner

Advanced Higher Business Management

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Course Outline

In Advanced Higher Business Management pupils study 3 units:

- The Internal Business Environment
- The External Business Environment
- Evaluating Business Information

Pupils are also required to research a business topic and apply the findings of the research to an organisation, organisations or industry in order to produce a coherent report. They will use skills of independent working, planning, research, use of sources, analysis and evaluation during this process. The completed report should be between 2,500-3,500 words, excluding footnotes, bibliography and appendices.

As the Advanced Higher Business Management course is designed to prepare pupils for university it is expected that pupils will dedicate a significant amount of their study periods in school and time at home to carrying out independent research. This will allow classes to adopt a more tutorial based format where pupils discuss and debate the research and reading that they have carried out.

Exam Preparation

As the Advanced Higher Business Management exam approaches, pupils should carry out as much timed practice of Case Studies and extended response questions as possible. Pupils should make regular use of business news sources to further develop their understanding and level of detail in their answers. Pupils should regularly review their notes from class and access a range of materials to help develop their understanding of the content covered. These materials are made available to pupils at the beginning of the course. The exam is 2 hours 45 minutes in length. Pupils should be spending no more than 1 hour 30 minutes of that time on the Case Study section, giving 1 hour 15 minutes to the extended response questions. These times should be used as a guide when practising past paper questions. Pupils will also have the opportunity to carry out exam practice in class.



Useful Websites

Advanced Higher Business Management candidates should use a wide range of websites to help them prepare and develop throughout the course.

For course content pupils should make use of websites such as: [Scholar](#), [Tutor2u](#)

One of the most valuable way to enhance their knowledge is to regularly research relevant issues that are currently in the news. Thus websites such as: The [BBC](#), [Financial Times](#), [Guardian](#), [Telegraph](#), [Independent](#), [Scotsman](#) or any other quality newspaper will be of great use.

Watching television programmes such as [Question Time](#), [Newsnight](#), [Sunday Politics](#), [Dragons' Den](#) and the [Apprenticeship](#) will also greatly help their understanding of key issues in Business Management.

Useful Textbooks

Due to the nature of the Advanced Higher Course, the majority of reading should be done through online articles and publications from sources such as the ones mentioned above.

Revision Classes

Currently Advanced Higher revision classes are offered by Mr Flood on an arranged basis. Pupils can arrange a time period after school most nights to revise any topics or practise past paper questions. Pupils are also always welcome to seek out Mr Flood for advice at lunch or at the start or end of the day.



SQA Past Papers

The link below will allow you to access the most recent past examination papers as well as specimen papers produced by the SQA. There are also Marking Schemes on this page. Past papers can be accessed for the previous Advanced Higher course (ADVANCED HIGHER) and the new Advanced Higher course (NEW ADVANCED HIGHER). Both sections are relevant to the current course.

[SQA Advanced Higher Business Management Past Papers](#)

Understanding Standards

As yet, there are no Understanding Standards materials available from the SQA. However, as soon as they become available, they will be uploaded here.

