



OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR 10 & 11 CURRICULUM_2020-



ENGLISH

There are three different pathways for IGCSE English:
 • English Language and Literature (Two IGCSE awards)
 • English Language only (One IGCSE award)
 • English as a Second Language (One IGCSE award)

Link to specification:
[Oxford International GCSE English Language \(9270\)](#)
 (Applicable for ALL students except those following the ESL pathway)

ARABIC A & B

Link to specifications:

Arabic A –
[Edexcel International GCSE Arabic \(First Language\) \(9-1\)](#)

Arabic B –
[Pearson Edexcel GCSE \(9-1\) Arabic](#)

SPANISH

Link to specifications:

Year 10 - [Edexcel GCSE \(9-1\) Spanish](#)
 Year 11 - [AQA GCSE Spanish](#)

Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Listening and Understanding in Spanish
 Paper 2: Speaking in Spanish
 Paper 3: Reading and understanding in Spanish
 Paper 4: Writing in Spanish

FRENCH

Link to specification:

Year 10 - [Edexcel GCSE \(9-1\) French](#)
 Year 11 - [AQA GCSE French](#)

Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Listening and Understanding in French
 Paper 2: Speaking in French
 Paper 3: Reading and understanding in French
 Paper 4: Writing in French

SCIENCE

Link to specifications:

Year 10 -
[International GCSE Chemistry](#)
[International GCSE Physics](#)
[International GCSE Science \(Double Award\)](#)

Year 11 –
[Oxford AQA International GCSE Chemistry](#)
[Oxford AQA International CSE Physics](#)
[Oxford AQA International Biology](#)

ICT

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11 –
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) ICT](#)

Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Written Paper 1h 30
 Paper 2: Practical Paper (using a laptop) 3hrs

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Link to specifications:

Year 10 - [Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Computer Science](#)
 Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Written Paper 1h 30
 Paper 2: Practical Paper (using a laptop) 3hrs

Year 11 - [Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Computer Science](#)
 Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Written Paper 1h 40
 Paper 2: Written Paper 2hrs

MATHS

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11 –
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Mathematics](#)

Content 1: Foundation Tier
 Content 2: Higher Tier

ART

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11 –
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Art & Design](#)

Component 1: Personal Portfolio
 60% of the Qualification

Component 2: Externally Set Assignment
 40% of the Qualification

DRAMA

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11 –
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Drama](#)

Component 1: Devising
 Component 2: Performance from Text
 Component 3: Theatre Makers in Practice
 Assessment Objectives

MUSIC

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11 –
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Music](#)

Component 1: Performing
 Component 2: Composing
 Component 3: Appraising
 Assessment Objectives

MORAL EDUCATION

Topics:

Global Leadership Programme (Modules 1-6):

- Equity and Diversity
- Climate Change
- Financial Wellbeing Part 1
- Financial Wellbeing Part 2
- Being a Responsible Adult 1
- Poverty

PE

Link to specification:
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) PE](#)

Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Fitness & Body Systems
 Paper 2: Health & Performance
 Practical Performance Examination
 Personal Exercise Programme (PEP)

SKILLS

Students at Metropole develop the following skills in all curriculum areas:

Communication, Collaboration, Creativity, Curiosity, Critical Thinking, Numeracy, Literacy and Digital Competency.

We also personalize directed study and develop project and enquiry-based learning, differentiating according to age and ability.

MASTERCLASS

Students are given time to develop mastery in the core subjects with personalized intervention programs targeted specifically for individuals to ensure that each and every student exceeds their potential in their Key Stage 4 courses. These essential qualifications in English, Mathematics and Science are necessary not only to allow students entry into 6th Form, but as an essential requirement for places on future university programs.

UAE SOCIAL STUDIES

UAE SS is taught in accordance with MoE guidelines, using MoE approved textbooks as the main resource for provision.

Where possible, UAE SS is integrated across the whole curriculum and links to curriculum standards with clear outcomes.

UAE SS lessons are purposeful, meaningful and cover all key concepts.

GEOGRAPHY

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11- [AQA GCSE Geography](#)

Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Living with the Physical Environment
 Paper 2: Challenges in the Human Environment
 Paper 3: Geographical applications

HISTORY

Link to specification:

Year 10 - [Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) History](#)
 Paper 1: Depth Studies
 Paper 2: Investigation and Breadth Studies

Year 11 - [Edexcel GCSE \(9-1\) History](#)
 Paper 1: Thematic Study & Historic Event
 Paper 2: Period Study & British Depth Study
 Paper 3: Modern Depth Study

BUSINESS STUDIES

Link to specification:
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Business](#)

Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Investigating Small Businesses
 Paper 2: Investigating Large Businesses

ECONOMICS

Link to specification:
[Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Economics](#)

Exam breakdown:
 Paper 1: Microeconomics and Business Economics
 Paper 2: Macroeconomics and the Global Economy

ISLAMIC A & B

All Muslim students cover all the requirements as set by the MoE. Students follow the UAE Curriculum standards with the MoE prescribed textbooks for Islamic Education. Islamic A is taught in the Arabic language, whilst Arabic B is taught in English.

PSYCHOLOGY

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11 - [Edexcel International GCSE \(9-1\) Psychology](#)

Paper 1: Topics – Development, Memory, Psychological Problems, The brain & Neuropsychology

Paper 2: Topics – Criminal Psychology, Sleep and Dreaming, Research Methods

SOCIOLOGY

Link to specification:

Year 10 and 11 - [AQA GCSE Sociology](#)

Paper 1: Family and Households, Education

Paper 2: Crime and Deviance, Social Stratification

MEDIA STUDIES

Link to specification:
[AQA GCSE Media Studies](#)

Topic 1: Close Study Products (CSPs)
 Topic 2: Context of the Media
 Topic 3: Extended Response & Synopticity
 Topic 4: Media Language
 Topic 5: Media Representations
 Topic 6: Media Industries
 Topic 7: Media Audiences
 Topic 8: Non-exam Assessment (NEA)

ASDAN

Our ASDAN curriculum at MTS provides programmes and qualifications for learners with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). Our courses have been developed for learners with a wide range of learning needs and abilities and provide meaningful outcomes through a person-centred approach that prepares learners for adult life.

