

## **Economics at Colchester Royal Grammar School**

The Teaching of Economics at A level is carried out by three specialist teachers dedicated to the teaching of the subject in the sixth form. The department offers A level Edexcel Economics Specification A (9ECO). The eighty plus students who annually opt for the subject are taught in five classes in each of the Lower and Upper Sixth. Students are provided with their own internally produced resource folder, which leads them through the course. Staff support, encourage and give guidance to students in their university applications. Last year over half the students who studied the subject went on to read a related discipline at university. Extra-curricular involvement is also a large part of the ethos of the department, whether that be through wider reading, visits to lectures and conferences, seeking out relevant work experience, and entering economics-related competitions, in which students have a record of considerable national success. The department also contributes to the running of two Young Enterprise companies during the year.

Teaching is in three rooms in a building in the grounds of the main school which is dedicated to sixth form teaching. The rooms are very pleasant with plenty of display and storage space. The department also has a smaller separate room to use as an office. Lessons can be booked in the Careers Room in the same building, which has 20 networked PCs with internet access and a projector. The whole building has access to the school Wi-Fi network.

Nevertheless, the principal resource of the department has been the subject knowledge and enthusiasm of the teachers, and their ability to deliver lessons using a variety of approaches. We would welcome applications from teachers who want to be involved with a collaborative and enthusiastic team of economists.

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