

A Level Entry Requirements 2024-25

The core entry requirement for A Level study at York College is a minimum of four grade 5s at GCSE with GCSE English Language at Grade 4. In addition, students will need to meet the subject specific requirements below: This does not include GCSE equivalents (e.g. BTEC courses). Short course GCSE is counted as half of a full GCSE. Please note the entry requirements can be subject to change. Due to funding changes made by the Education and Skills Funding Agency in February 2024 it will not normally be possible for students to resit a GCSE in English or Maths alongside an A Level programme.

Subject	Additional/Specific Entry Requirements (GCSE)
Accounting	Grade 5 or above in Maths
Art & Design – Fine Art, Photography and Textiles	A*- B/9-5 in Art, Textiles or Graphics (or on strength of portfolio)
Biology	5 in Maths and English Language; 5 Biology (if taken) otherwise 5 in Additional , 55 in Double Science
Business Studies	4 in Maths; B/5 in Business (if taken)
Chemistry	5 in Maths (must be higher tier); 5 Chemistry (if taken) or 5 in Additional or 55 in Double Science; 5 in English
Computer Science	5 in Maths; 5 in English Language
Drama and Theatre Studies	5 in English Language or Literature; 6 in Drama (if taken) and satisfactory audition
Engineering (Ext Cert)	5 in Maths (must be higher tier); 4 in science NB this course is studied over 2 years only
English (Combined)	5 in English Language
English Language	5 in English Language
English Literature	6 in English Language
Economics	5 in English Language or similar (English Lit, History, RS etc); 5 in Maths
Film Studies	5 in English Language
French	6 in French
Geography	5 in Geography (if taken); 5 in English Language; 4 in Maths and Science
Geology	5 in Maths; 5 in Additional, 55 in Triple or 55 Double Science
German	6 in German
History: Ancient	5 in History (if taken) or in English Language or RS
History: Medieval/Early Modern	5 in History (if taken) or in English Language or RS
History: Modern	5 in History (if taken) or in English Language or RS
Law (AS)	5 English Language or 6 in History or RS
Applied Law (Ext Cert)	4 in English Language
Core Mathematics (Cert)	5 in Maths
Mathematics (AS)	6 or B in Maths (same for Further Maths)
Media Studies	5 in English Language.
Music	Grade 5 standard on instrument or voice. Working at Grade 5 standard music theory. (Audition required)
Music Technology	An interest in Music
Physical Education	5 in English Language, Maths and Science and a 6 in Physical Education (if taken). Active involvement in an approved sport at a competitive level is required.
Physics	Must be studied in conjunction with AS Maths. 6 in Maths; 5 in Physics (if taken) otherwise 5 in Additional, 55 in Double Science; 5 in English
Politics	5 in one of English Language, History or RS
Product Design	4 in Maths; 4/C in a creative GCSE such as Product Design, Design Technology, Art & Design.
Psychology	5 in English, Maths and Science; 5 in one of English Language, History or RS
Applied Psychology	4 in English, Maths and Science; 5 in one of English Language, History or RS
Religious Studies	5 in one of English Language, History or RS
Sociology	5 in one of English Language, History or RS
Spanish	6 in Spanish