

BUSINESS STUDIES

International General Certificate of Secondary Education

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0450 (Business Studies) in the May/June 2012 examination.

	maximum mark available	minimum mark required for grade:			
		A	C	E	F
Component 11	100	61	42	27	20
Component 12	100	61	42	27	20
Component 13	100	61	42	27	20
Component 21	100	60	41	30	21
Component 22	100	58	39	27	19
Component 23	100	58	39	27	19

The threshold (minimum mark) for B is set halfway between those for Grades A and C. The threshold (minimum mark) for D is set halfway between those for Grades C and E. The threshold (minimum mark) for G is set as many marks below the F threshold as the E threshold is above it. Grade A* does not exist at the level of an individual component.

The thresholds for the **syllabus** are determined first by adding together the thresholds for the components taken by the candidate. A reduction may be made at the higher grades depending on the correlation of the papers. If the maximum raw marks for the components are not in the weighting/relationship specified in the syllabus, a weighting is applied to arrive at the overall thresholds. The A* threshold is calculated using the difference between A and B as a starting point.

The maximum total mark for this syllabus is **200** (without coursework) or **250** (with coursework).

The overall thresholds for the different grades were set as follows.

Option	Combination of components	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
AX	11, 21	139	120	101	83	70	57	41	25
AY	12, 22	137	118	99	81	67	54	39	24
AZ	13, 23	137	118	99	81	67	54	39	24
BX	03, 11, 21	181	158	135	112	94	76	55	34
BY	03, 12, 22	179	156	133	110	91	73	53	33
BZ	03, 13, 23	179	156	133	110	91	73	53	33
CX	11, 21, 83	181	158	135	112	94	76	55	34

Grade Thresholds are published for all GCE A/AS and IGCSE subjects where a corresponding mark scheme is available.