## **BUSINESS STUDIES**

## International General Certificate of Secondary Education

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

|              | maximum           | minimum mark required for grade: |    |    |    |  |  |
|--------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|----|----|----|--|--|
|              | mark<br>available | A                                | С  | Е  | F  |  |  |
| Component 11 | 100               | 60                               | 40 | 27 | 22 |  |  |
| Component 12 | 100               | 61                               | 41 | 27 | 21 |  |  |
| Component 13 | 100               | 66                               | 43 | 31 | 25 |  |  |
| Component 21 | 100               | 64                               | 46 | 33 | 28 |  |  |
| Component 22 | 100               | 62                               | 45 | 32 | 28 |  |  |
| Component 23 | 100               | 63                               | 43 | 28 | 24 |  |  |

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 | <b>A</b> * | Α   | В   | с   | D  | E  | F  | G  |
|--------|---------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| AX     | 11, 21                    | 143        | 124 | 105 | 86  | 73 | 60 | 50 | 40 |
| AY     | 12, 22                    | 142        | 123 | 104 | 86  | 72 | 59 | 49 | 39 |
| AZ     | 13, 23                    | 151        | 129 | 107 | 86  | 72 | 59 | 49 | 39 |
| BX     | 03, 11, 21                | 187        | 163 | 139 | 115 | 97 | 79 | 64 | 49 |
| BY     | 03, 12, 22                | 186        | 162 | 138 | 114 | 96 | 78 | 63 | 48 |
| BZ     | 03, 13, 23                | 195        | 168 | 141 | 115 | 96 | 78 | 63 | 48 |



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| Option | Combination of components | <b>A</b> * | Α   | В   | С   | D  | E  | F  | G  |
|--------|---------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| сх     | 11, 21, 83                | 187        | 163 | 139 | 115 | 97 | 79 | 64 | 49 |
| CY     | 12, 22, 83                | 186        | 162 | 138 | 115 | 96 | 78 | 63 | 48 |
| CZ     | 13, 23, 83                | 195        | 168 | 141 | 115 | 96 | 78 | 63 | 48 |

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

