### CAMBRIDGE ASSESSMENT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION (CAIE) GENERAL INFORMATION

CAIE is a New Zealand and internationally recognised qualification. It is accepted in all New Zealand tertiary institutions.

The examinations are administered by the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate (UCLES). CAIE offers examinations at three levels:

YEAR 11 - IGCSE	<b>YEAR 12 – AS</b>	YEAR 13 – A
International General Certificate of Secondary Education	Advanced Subsidiary	A Level papers or a combination of AS and A Level.

Additional information may be obtained from the CAIE website <u>www.cie.org.uk</u>

# Charges for Cambridge are \$149 per subject. This is subject to currency fluctuations each year.

Each subject follows a syllabus laid down in the CAIE prescription for that subject. CAIE is examined externally in Oct/ Nov each year. Some subject exams occur in May/ June.

### **SUBJECTS TAKEN PER LEVEL**

YEAR 11 - IGCSE	<b>YEAR 12 – AS</b>	<b>YEAR 13 – A</b>
7 IGCSE Subjects	6 AS Subjects	5 A/AS Subjects
1. English	1. English	1. Theology & Philosophy
2. Mathematics	2. Theology & Philosophy	2. Option Choice ONE
3. Theology & Philosophy	3. Option Choice ONE	3. Option Choice TWO
4. One Science (Biology,	4. Option Choice TWO	4. Option Choice THREE
Chemistry or Physics)*	5. Option Choice THREE	5. Option Choice FOUR
5. Option Choice ONE	6. Option Choice FOUR	
6. Option Choice TWO		
7. Option Choice THREE		
<i>*if students wish, they may choose other Science subjects as part of their options</i>		

## **CAIE GRADING**

% Gained	IGCSE	AS	Α
90 - 100%	A*	A	A*
80 - 89%	A	A	A
70 – 79%	В	В	В
60 - 69%	С	С	С
50 - 59%	D	D	D
40 - 49%	E	E	E
30 - 39%	F	U-Fail	U-Fail
20 - 29%	G	U-Fail	U-Fail

# **ADVANCEMENT TO NEXT LEVELS**

#### YEAR 11 to YEAR 12

Advancement from IGCSE to AS Level:

- **Must** pass IGCSE Mathematics **D grade minimum**.
- Must attain a C grade or higher in FOUR subjects.
- In each subject at least a "C" to take this subject in AS Level
- AS Maths entry requirement must have 65% or higher in IGCSE
- AS Physics entry requirement must have 70% or higher in IGCSE

A student wanting to take a subject in a higher level with a Grade D or lower will need Head of Faculty, Head of Year and Senior Management permission.

#### YEAR 12 to YEAR 13

Advancement from AS to A Level – see next page for UCAS points table:

- Student **must** have passed AS English **D grade minimum**.
- Must attain 120+ UCAS points in best FOUR subjects at AS Level.
- 100-120 UCAS points Will require an interview with Senior Management
- In each subject, at least a "C" to take this subject in A Level

A student wanting to take a subject in a higher level with a Grade D or lower will need Head of Faculty, Head of Year and Senior Management permission.

#### **UCAS POINTS**

UCAS Points are the criteria required for University Entrance. UCAS points **ARE ONLY AVAILABLE AT AS AND A LEVEL.** 

GRADE	AS POINTS	A LEVEL POINTS
A*	N/A	140
A	60	120
В	50	100
С	40	80
D	30	60
E	20	40

For instance to gain university entrance students must have a minimum of 120 UCAS points + D Grade for IGCSE Mathematics + E Grade for AS English. (Auckland Uni – D Grade for English)

Universities set specific UCAS rank scores for each degree course – please refer to Career Pathway Guide on the website (under Academic, Academic Guides)

If you have any questions, please contact:

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#### FACULTIES & THEIR SUBJECT OPTIONS - CAIE LEVELS OVERVIEW -

ART FACULTY				
SUBJECT	IGCSE Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements	
ART	Year 10 Art	NOT OFFERED	NOT OFFERED	
Digital Media and Design: GRAPHIC DESIGN	NOT OFFERED	C Grade in IGCSE Art	C Grade in AS Design	
Art and Design: PAINTING	NOT OFFERED	C Grade in IGCSE Art	C Grade in AS Painting	
Art and Design: PHOTOGRAPHY	NOT OFFERED	C Grade in IGCSE Art	C Grade in AS Photography	

COMMERCE FACULTY			
SUBJECT	IGCSE Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements
ACCOUNTING	Open Entry	C Grade in IGCSE Accounting	C Grade in AS Accounting
ECONOMICS	Open Entry	C Grade in IGCSE Economics, Maths or English	C Grade in AS Economics

ENGLISH FACULTY			
SUBJECT	<b>IGCSE</b> Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements
ENGLISH	COMPULSORY	COMPULSORY	C Grade in AS English

HUMANITIES FACULTY				
SUBJECT	IGCSE Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements	
CLASSICAL STUDIES	Year 10 Humanities	Year 11 Classics or C Grade in History/English	C Grade in AS Classics	
GEOGRAPHY	Year 10 Humanities	C Grade in IGCSE Geography/English	C Grade in AS Geography	
HISTORY	Year 10 Humanities	C Grade in IGCSE History/English	C Grade in AS History	

LANGUAGES FACULTY			
SUBJECT	IGCSE Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements
MANDARIN CHINESE	Year 10 Mandarin	D Grade in IGCSE Chinese	Not Offered at A Level
SPANISH	Year 10 Spanish	D Grade in IGCSE Spanish	D Grade in AS Spanish

MATHEMATICS FACULTY			
SUBJECT	IGCSE	AS LEVEL	A LEVEL
	Entry Requirements	Entry Requirements	Entry Requirements
MATHEMATICS	COMPULSORY	65% in IGCSE Mathematics	C Grade in AS Mathematics
MATHEMATICS		70% in IGCSE	C Grade in AS
Accelerated course		Mathematics	Mathematics

MUSIC FACULTY			
SUBJECT	<b>IGCSE</b> Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	<b>A LEVEL</b> Entry Requirements
MUSIC	Year 9 Accelerate Music Programme or Equivalent Qualification	C Grade in IGCSE or Equivalent Qualification	C Grade in AS Level

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE) FACULTY			
SUBJECT	IGCSE	AS LEVEL	A LEVEL
SUBJECT	Entry Requirements	Entry Requirements	Entry Requirements
	Year 10 Physical		
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Education & Compulsory	C Grade in IGCSE PE	C Grade in AS PE
	participation in a sport		

SCIENCE FACULTY					
SUBJECT	IGCSE Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements		
BIOLOGY	Year 10 IG Combined Science*	B Grade in IGCSE Biology	C Grade in AS Biology		
CHEMISTRY	Year 10 IG Combined Science*	B Grade in IGCSE Chemistry	C Grade in AS Chemistry		
PHYSICS	Year 10 IG Combined Science*	B Grade in IGCSE Physics	C Grade in AS Physics		
* One Science subject is compulsory in Year 10 (IGCSE Level). If students wish, they may choose other					

Science subjects as part of their three options.

TECHNOLOGY FACULTY					
SUBJECT	<b>IGCSE</b> Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements		
DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY (Product Design)	Year 10 DVC	D Grade in IGCSE D&T (Product Design)	C Grade in AS D&T (Product Design)		
HARVARD COMPUTER SCIENCE	By application to Mr Bridges	NOT OFFERED	NOT OFFERED		

THEOLOGY & PHILOSOPHY FACULTY					
SUBJECT	<b>IGCSE</b> Entry Requirements	AS LEVEL Entry Requirements	A LEVEL Entry Requirements		
Theology & Philosophy	COMPULSORY	COMPULSORY	COMPULSORY		

NOTE: Entry into some subjects without prerequisites is still possible with Head of Faculty approval