



GEMS FOUNDERS SCHOOL, DUBAI

IGCSE, A-levels & BTEC

Exam Fees Booklet

Academic Year 2024-2025

Introduction

Entry deadlines, late and very late fee dates are listed below.

Exams Season/Qualification	Exam Board	Entry Deadline	Late Entry Deadline	Very Late Entry Deadline/Amendment Fee
October 2024 Season (AS/A-level)	Pearson/Edexcel	29/Aug/24	30/Aug/24 – 22/Sept/24	23/Sept/24 - onwards
November 2024 Season (IGCSE)	Oxford AQA	18/Sep/24	19/Sep/24-09/Oct/24	10/Oct/24 - onwards
November 2024 Season (IGCSE)	Pearson/Edexcel	13/Sep/24	14/Sep/24 – 13/Oct/24	14/Oct/24 - onwards
January 2025 Season (AS/A-level)	Oxford AQA	07/Nov/24	08/Nov/24 – 15/Dec/24	16/Dec/24 - onwards
January 2025 Season (AS/A-level)	Pearson/Edexcel	18/Oct/24	19/Oct/24 – 15/Nov/24	16/Nov/24 - onwards
Summer 2025 Season (AS/A/IGCSE-Level)	Pearson/Edexcel	21/March/25	22/Mar/25-21/Apr/25	22/Apr/25-onwards
Summer 2025 Season (AS/A/IGCSE-Level)	Oxford AQA/AQA	21/Feb/25	22/Feb/25-21/Apr/25	22/Feb/25-onwards

Examinations fees are charged separately from tuition fees. All students who are to be entered for IGCSE/GCSE, AS and A-level external examinations will receive the invoice indicating the examinations they will be entered for. It is important for students and parents to check the invoice carefully to ensure the following:

- Personal information (date of birth, gender, spelling of names) is accurate as this information will appear on certificates. Please ensure student's name is as per passport. If the information on certificates is not correct this may cause issues when applying to universities or job applications. Please inform examinations officer of any errors.
- Check that all the subjects and units listed are correct and accounted for. If there are any errors or omissions inform examination officer immediately so corrections can be made and a new invoice can be issued.

If the invoice student has received is correct payment should be made either with the accounts department at the school's counter or via GEMS Connect → Fees & Payment → GCSE/A Level

Exams → Enter manually the total amount to be paid, as per the Invoice → Click Proceed → Select payment method → Complete the payment.

Please make sure you do that before the deadline stated on the entry form.

If payment hasn't been made by the deadline, a student's entries will be withdrawn.

IGCSE & A-Level Late/Very late fees

Late fees will be charged to all those who haven't completed the exam entry fee payment by the final entry deadline. From the late fee date, entry (unit or subject) fee is doubled. Entry fee tripled after the very late fee date. These are the examination boards' rules and the school, as an approved Centre, must adhere to them. It is, therefore, very important to make note of entry deadlines and ensure examination entry fees are paid on or before the deadline date.

BTEC – Late fees/Very Late Fees

Late fees will be charged to all those who haven't completed the entry fee payment by the final entry deadline. The late/very late fees will apply as follows:

- BTEC registrations made 61 - 90 days after learner enrolment - registration fee x 1.25.
- BTEC registrations made 91 - 120 days after learner enrolment - registration fee x 1.50.
- BTEC registrations made 121+ days after learner enrolment - registration fee x 2.

Enrolment day is 01/09/2023.

Refunds

Entry fees will be refunded for each entry withdrawn by the school before the date specified for each exam's series (refer to the dates listed above). Late, very late and amendment fees are not to be refunded. No refunds are made for those withdrawn after these dates (except on medical grounds, where partial refunds will be considered) or where students are simply absent from the exam. The examinations office should immediately be informed of any changes to examination entries. BTEC entry fees will be refunded if the request is made within 90 days from registration date and if student hasn't completed any units. After 90 days, no refunds will be issued.

This booklet will be updated prior to every examination season.

Here are some frequently asked questions about examination fees.

Why are examinations fees not included in tuition fees?

Examination fees differ per student based on their option choices. We therefore invoice students based on what examinations they are being entered for rather than a standard fee included in the tuition fees.

What are the examination fees for?

Examination boards charge for any examination's entries made to them. They charge per unit entered as outlined above. Included in the fees is an administration fee as well as an investment in the quality of examining teams and offered comprehensive support and training package for teachers.

Why is payment for examinations required so far in advance?

Deadlines for the payment of examinations fees are set in line with the examination boards' entry deadlines. If we do not submit the entries by the deadline, then parents will be charged the late fees. The examination boards double and eventually triple the fees. This is the examination boards' policy which is why we ask parents to make payment before the deadline dates to avoid paying these late fees.

Examinations Entry Fees - IGCSE

Specification Title	Specification Code	Exams Board	Qualification Level	Unit Title	Unit Code	Total fees per qualification
Computer Science	8525	AQA	GCSE	Paper 1	8525/1B	260 AED
				Paper 2	8525/2	
Psychology	8182	AQA	GCSE	Paper 1	8182/1	285 AED
				Paper 2	8182/2	
Food Preparation and Nutrition	8585	AQA	GCSE	Paper 1	8585/W	257 AED
				Non-exam Assessment	8585/C	
Drama	8261	AQA	GCSE	Component 1	8261/W	289 AED
				Component 2 (Practical)	8261/C	
				Component 3 (Practical)	8261/X	
Accounting	4AC1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1 Introduction to Bookkeeping and Accounting	4AC1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2 Financial Statements	4AC1 02	
French	4FR1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Listening	4FR1 01	546 AED
				Reading & Writing	4FR1 02	
				Speaking	4FR1 03	
Further Pure Mathematics	4PM1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1	4PM1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2	4PM1 02	
Arabic First Language	4AA1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1	4AA1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2	4AA1 02	
Geography	4GE1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1 Physical geography	4GE1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2 Human geography	4GE1 02	
History	4HI1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1 Depth Studies	4HI1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2 Investigation	4HI1 02	
Economics	4EC1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1 Microeconomics and Business Economics	4EC1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2 Macroeconomics and the Global Economy	4EC1 02	
Business	4BS1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1 Investigating small businesses	4BS1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2 Investigating large businesses	4BS1 02	

Arabic Second Language (Foundation & Higher Tier)	1AA0	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Paper 1: Listening and understanding	1AA0 01	546 AED
				Paper 2: Speaking	1AA0 02	
				Paper 3: Reading and understanding	1AA0 03	
				Paper 4: Writing	1AA0 04	
Spanish (Foundation & Higher Tier)	4SP1	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Paper 1: Listening and understanding	1SP0 01	546 AED
				Paper 2: Speaking	1SP0 02	
				Paper 3: Reading and understanding	1SP0 03	
				Paper 4: Writing	1SP0 04	
Music	1MU0	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Component 1: Performing	1MU0 01	380 AED
				Component 2: Composing	1MU0 02	
				Component 3: Appraising	1MU0 03	
Physical Education	1PE0	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Component 1: Fitness and Body Systems	1PE0 01	642 AED
				Component 2: Health and Performance	1PE0 02	
				Component 3: Practical Performance	1PE0 03	
				Component 4: Personal Exercise Program	1PE0 04	
Design and Technology	1DT0/1B	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Component 1: Papers and boards	1DT0 01B	380 AED
				Component 2: Non-examined Assessment	1DT0 02	
Design and Technology	1DT0/1B	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Component 1: Timbers	1DT0 01F	380 AED
				Component 2: Non-examined Assessment	1DT0 02	
Art and Design - Fine Art	1FA0	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Component 1: Personal Portfolio	1FA0 01	380 AED
				Component 2: Externally Set Assignment	1FA0 02	
Art and Design -	1GC0	Pearson/Edexcel	GCSE	Component 1: Personal Portfolio	1GC0 01	380 AED

Graphic Communication				Component 2: Externally Set Assignment	1GC0 02	
Biology	4BI1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1	4BI1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2	4BI1 02	
Chemistry	4CH1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1	4CH1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2	4CH1 02	
Physics	4PH1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1	4PH1 01	380 AED
				Paper 2	4PH1 02	
English Literature	4ET1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Component 1: Poetry and Modern Prose	4ET1 01	380 AED
				Component 2: Modern Drama and Literary Heritage Texts	4ET1 02	
				Paper 3: Modern Drama and Literary Heritage Texts	4ET1 03	
English as a Second Language	4XES2	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Unit 1: Reading	4WES1 01	375 AED
				Unit 2: Listening	4WES2/01	
				Unit 3: Writing	4WES3/01	
				Unit 4: Speaking	4WES4/01	
English Language	4EA1	Pearson/Edexcel	IGCSE	Paper 1: Non-fiction Texts and Transactional Writing	4EA1 01	375 AED
				Component 2: Poetry and Prose Texts and Imaginative Writing	4EA1 02	
				Component 3: Poetry and Prose Texts and Imaginative Writing *	4EA1 03	

Examinations Entry Fees – AS/A-level

Specification Title	Specification Code	Exams Board	Qualification Level	Unit Title	Unit Code	Total fees per qualification (AED)	Total Fees per Unit (AED)
Computer Science	7517D	AQA	A Level	Paper 1 Programming (on-screen)	7517/1D	N/A	595
				Paper 2 Data representation	7517/2		
				Computing practical project/NEA	7517/C		
Psychology	7182	AQA	A Level	Paper 1 Introductory Topics in Psychology	7182/1	N/A	620
				Paper 2 Psychology in Context	7182/2		
				Paper 3 Issues and Options in Psychology	7182/3		
Physical Education	7582	AQA	A Level	Paper 1 Factors affecting participation in physical activity and sport	7582/1	N/A	734
				Paper 2 Factors affecting optimal performance in physical activity and sport	7582/2		
				NEA Practical performance in physical activity and sport	7582/C		
English Literature	XET01	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Post-2000 Poetry and Prose	WET01	290	580
				Unit 2: Drama	WET02	290	
	YET01		A Level	Unit 3: Poetry and Prose	WET03	290	580
				Unit 4: Shakespeare and Pre-1900 Poetry	WET04	290	
English Language	XEN01	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Language: Context and Identity	WEN01	290	580
				Unit 2: Language in Transition	WEN02	290	
			A Level	Unit 3: Crafting Language (Writing)	WEN03	290	580
				Unit 4: Investigating Language	WEN04	290	
Mathematics	XMA01	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Mathematics: Pure Maths P1	WMA11	210	630
				Mathematics: Pure Maths P2	WMA12	210	
				Mathematics: Statistics S1	WST01	210	

	YMA01		A Level	Mathematics: Pure Maths P3	WMA13	210		630
				Mathematics: Pure Maths P4	WMA14	210		
				Mathematics: Mechanis M1	WME01	210		
Further Pure Mathematics	XFM01	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Further Math: WFM01	WFM01	210		630
			AS Level	Further Math: WFM02	WFM02	210		
			AS Level	Mathematics: Statistics S2	WST02	210		
	YFM01	Pearson/Edexcel	A2 Level	Further Math: WFM03	WFM03	210		630
			A2 Level	Mathematics: Mechanis M1	WME02	210		
			A2 Level	Mathematics: Statistics S3	WST03	210		
Biology	XBI11	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Molecules, Diet, Transport and Health	WBI11	210		630
				Unit 2: Cells, Development, Biodiversity and Conservation	WBI12	210		
				Unit 3: Practical Skills in Biology I	WBI13	210		
	YBI11		A Level	Unit 4: Energy, Environment, Microbiology and Immunity	WBI14	210		630
				Unit 5: Respiration, Internal Environment, Coordination and Gene Technology	WBI15	210		
				Unit 6: Practical Skill in Biology II	WBI16	210		
Chemistry	XCH11	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Structure, Bonding and Introduction to Organic Chemistry	WCH11	210		630
				Unit 2: Energetics, Group Chemistry, Halogenoalkanes and Alcohols	WCH12	210		
				Unit 3: Practical Skills in Chemistry I	WCH13	210		
	YCH11		A Level	Unit 4: Rates, Equilibria and Further Organic Chemistry	WCH14	210		630
				Unit 5: Transition Metals and Organic Nitrogen Chemistry	WCH15	210		
				Unit 6: Practical Skills in Chemistry I	WCH16	210		

Physics	XPH11	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Mechanics and Materials	WPH11	210	630
				Unit 2: Waves and Electricity	WPH12	210	
				Unit 3: Practical Skills in Physics I	WPH13	210	
	YPH11		A Level	Unit 4: Further Mechanics, Fields and Particles	WPH14	210	630
				Unit 5: Thermodynamics, Radiation, Oscillations and Cosmology	WPH15	210	
				Unit 6: Practical Skills in Physics II	WPH16	210	
Art and Design	9FA0	Pearson/Edexcel	A Level	Component 1: Fine Art: Personal Investigation	9FA0 01	N/A	1,150
				Component 2: Fine Art: Externally Set Assignment	9FA0 02		
Geography	XGE01	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Global Challenges	WGE01	290	580
				Unit 2: Geographical Investigations	WGE02	290	
	YGE01		A Level	Unit 3: Contested Planet	WGE03	290	580
				Unit 4: Researching Geography	WGE04	290	
History	XHI01	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Russia in Revolution, 1881-1917	WHI01 1B	290	580
				India, 1857–1948: The Raj to Partition	WHI02 1A	290	
	YHI01		A Level	Germany: United, Divided and Reunited, 1870–1990	WHI03 1C	290	580
				The Cold War and Hot War in Asia, 1945–90	WHI04 1D	290	
Economics	XEC11	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Markets in Action	WEC11	290	580
				Unit 2: Macroeconomic performance and policy	WEC12	290	
	YEC11		A Level	Unit 3: Business behaviour	WEC13	290	580
				Unit 4: Developments in the Global Economy	WEC14	290	
Business	XBS11	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: Marketing and People	WBS11	290	580

				Unit 2: Managing Business Activities	WBS12	290	
	YBS11		A Level	Unit 3: Business decisions and strategy	WBS13	290	580
				Unit 4: Global Business	WBS14	290	
Accounting	XAC11	Pearson/Edexcel	AS Level	Unit 1: The Accounting System and Costing	WAC11	535	535
			A Level	Unit 2: Corporate and Management Accounting	WAC12	535	535

2024-2025 BTEC Entry Fees

Subject	Exam Board	Entry Code	Qualification	Registration Fees
Business	Pearson/Edexcel	HBRV8	Level 2 - Award	AED 1250
		HBNM9	Level 3 – Subsidiary Diploma	AED 860
		HDYJ1	Level 3 - Certificate	AED 805
Hospitality		HBRV7	Level 2 - Award	AED 1250
		HBNM8	Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma	AED 860
		HDYJ2	Level 3 Certificate	AED 805
Engineering		HBRW1	Level 2 - Award	AED 1250
		HBNN1	Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma	AED 860
		HDYH8	Level 3 Certificate	AED 805
Information Technology		HBRV9	Level 2 - Award	AED 1250
		HBNN1	Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma	AED 860
		HDYH9	Level 3 Certificate	AED 805
Applied Science		HHGX4	Level 2 - Award	AED 1250
		HHGX2	Level 3 – Subsidiary Diploma	AED 860
		HHGX3	Level 3 - Certificate	AED 805
Vocational Studies	HJMK7	Level 1 Introductory Award	AED 415	

BTEC registration fees will cover the full term of student’s registration, including:

- All the quality standard procedures that are required for the acquisition of a student’s qualification. This will include the bi-annual Standard Verifiers visit - the Pearson Educational representative who will visit the school to moderate students’ work
- The issuing of the final certification

Students cannot receive more than one qualification per registration and will be required to pay for each BTEC course they are studying.