## BUSINESS STUDIES

## International General Certificate of Secondary Education

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

|  | maximum | minimum mark required for grade: |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | mark <br> available | 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 $\mathrm{A}^{*}$ threshold is calculated using the difference between $A$ and $B$ as a starting point.

The maximum total mark for this syllabus is $\mathbf{2 0 0}$ (without coursework) or $\mathbf{2 5 0}$ (with coursework).
The overall thresholds for the different grades were set as follows.

| Option | Combination of <br> 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.

