

## Mayflower High School

### WHAT WILL I STUDY?

The Diploma in Financial Studies (DipFS) has been designed to encourage individuals to be inspired and to meet their lifestyle aspirations. This will be achieved by teaching students to apply appropriate solution(s) from the wide range available within the evolving financial services marketplace.

Level 3 Financial Capability exposes learners to a more critical way of thinking about finance and the effects of finance on the individual.

Students who wish to learn how to make informed and confident decisions regarding their finances now and in the future should consider the Diploma in Financial Studies (DipFS).

You will sit four units over two years. All components and units are mandatory and assessed. Each unit is assessed through a combination of multiple choice questions (Part A) and a written paper (Part B).

- Unit 1 – Financial Capability for the Immediate and Short Term
- Unit 2 – Financial Capability for the Medium and Long Term
- Unit 3 – Sustainability of an Individual's Finances
- Unit 4 – Sustainability of the Financial Services System

The overall qualification will be graded A\* - E and is equivalent to one A-Level. A total of 400 marks are available from all four units comprising 100 marks per unit. To pass a unit, the student must achieve the minimum pass mark for both part A and part B.

### WHAT ARE THE OPPORTUNITIES AFTER A LEVEL?

The Diploma in Financial Studies is one of the most desirable qualifications for those students looking for a financial career in areas such as International or Investment Banking, as well as insurance and risk analysis.

The Diploma in Financial Studies provides a strong grounding for undergraduate studies in finance and business related disciplines and is supportive of the personal and financial skills that underpin life as an undergraduate.

### WHAT ARE THE COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

4 GCSEs minimum grade 4. A grade 4 in GCSE English Language or GCSE English Literature and Mathematics is recommended.

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