

Admissions Policy

Gateacre Sixth Form
September Entry - 2026



A Level Qualifications Entry criteria students must achieve to study three A Levels.	- Achieve a minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or equivalent - Achieve a minimum of Grade 5 at GCSE in English and Mathematics.
Applied Qualifications Entry criteria students must achieve to study a combination of A Levels and Applied courses.	- Achieve a minimum of 5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, including English Language and Mathematics. - Achieve a Grade 5 or above at GCSE in any subject being studied at A Level in combination of any vocational course.
Students must also be:	No younger than 15 on the 31 st August prior to the year of entry No older than 17 on the 31 st August prior to the year of entry

Courses: Entry Requirements	
Art	Grade 5 in GCSE Art or Graphics
Biology	Grade 6 in GCSE Biology
Chemistry	Grade 6 in GCSE Chemistry along with Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics
Computer Science	Grade 6 in GCSE Computer Science or GCSE Mathematics
Economics	Grade 5 in GCSE Economics or GCSE Mathematics
English	Grade 5 in GCSE English Literature and Language
Further Mathematics	Grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics
Geography	Grade 5 in GCSE Geography
Graphics	Grade 5 in GCSE Art or Graphics
History	Grade 5 in GCSE History or English
Mathematics	Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics
Media	Grade 5 in GCSE Media or English
Music	Grade 5 in GCSE Music
Photography	Grade 5 in GCSE Art
Philosophy	Grade 5 in GCSE RS or English
Physics	Grade 6 in GCSE Physics
Psychology	Grade 5 in GCSE Psychology or English, and Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics
Sociology	Grade 5 in GCSE Sociology or English
Spanish	Grade 6 in GCSE Spanish
Engineering	Grade 5 in GCSE Mathematics

The application deadline is **27th February, 2026**. If successful, students will receive a conditional offer to study at Gateacre Sixth Form no later than **30th April, 2026**. Student places will be allocated subject to their achievements on GCSE results day. All students will then receive final confirmation of their application on **GCSE results day in August 2026**. **Applications made after 27th February, 2026 will still be considered but decision will not be made by 30th April, 2026.**

In the case of insufficient demand from students, the school may decide not to deliver a particular course. If this should happen, students will be informed and given the opportunity to choose an alternative.