SOCIOLOGY

International General Certificate of Secondary Education

Grade thresholds taken for Syllabus 0495 (Sociology) in the May/June 2011 examination.

	maximum	minimum mark required for grade:				
	mark available	Α	С	E	F	
Component 11	90	68	52	34	22	
Component 12	90	68	52	34	22	
Component 13	90	68	52	34	22	
Component 21	60	40	24	17	11	
Component 22	60	40	24	17	11	
Component 23	60	40	24	17	11	

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 A* threshold is calculated using the difference between A and B as a starting point.

The maximum total mark for this syllabus is 200.

The overall thresholds for the different grades were set as follows.

Option	Combination of components	A *	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G
AX	11, 21	164	143	122	101	84	68	44	20
AY	12, 22	164	143	122	101	84	68	44	20
AZ	13, 23	164	143	122	101	84	68	44	20

Grade Thresholds are published for all GCE A/AS and IGCSE subjects where a corresponding mark scheme is available.

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