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Guidance

GCSE, AS and A level subjects accredited to be taught from 2016

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This page shows the status of specifications submitted to Ofqual to be taught as GCSEs, AS and A levels from September 2016.

Exam boards take these subject content and requirements documents and use them to produce a specification and sample assessment materials for any subject they wish to offer. The specification is submitted to Ofqual for consideration. Ofqual convenes a panel of subject and assessment experts

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to scrutinise the specification and make a decision on whether it meets all the requirements for that subject. If it does, it will be accredited and teachers will be able to use it. If it does not, it will be sent back to the exam board and they will have to change their specification based on the feedback given by Ofqual. When they have made the amendments they will submit the new specification.

We have produced [a diagram of the accreditation process](#) .

1.

Number of qualifications accredited

In 17 of 20 GCSE subjects, all submitted specifications have been accredited. For the remaining 3 subjects, all but 1 exam board have their specifications accredited.

In 7 of 11 AS and A level subjects, all submitted specifications have been accredited. For the remaining 4, all but 1 exam board have their specifications accredited.

2.

Number of specifications accredited

2.1 For teaching from 2016

To date, 133 of 147 submitted specifications (90%) have been accredited.

77 of 83 GCSE specifications have been accredited.

56 of 64 AS and A level specifications have been accredited.

3.

Key information

Entry	Meaning
	Specification accredited
-	Exam board is not submitting a specification for this subject
'submission due'	The date the exam board is aiming to submit for accreditation
'awaiting submission'	We are awaiting a submission from the exam board but they have not indicated when we will receive it or the date they indicated has passed
'submission received'	We have received a specification from the exam board and it is awaiting an accreditation decision

4.

GCSEs

	AQA	OCR	Pearson (Edexcel)	WJEC Eduqas
-				
Art and design				
Biology		Spec A: Spec B:		
Chemistry		Spec A: Spec B:		
Citizenship				-
Classical Greek	-		-	-
Combined science	Spec 'Synergy':	Spec A:		

Spec B:

Spec
'Trilogy':

Computer science				
Dance	-	-	-	
Drama		5th submission due 25th May 2016		
Food preparation and nutrition			-	
French	-			
Geography	Spec A:	Spec A:	Spec A:	Spec A:
	Spec B:	Spec B:	Spec B:	Spec B:
German	-			awaiting 6th submission
History	Spec A:			
	Spec B:			
Latin	-		-	
Music				
Physical education				
Physics	Spec A:			
	Spec B:			
Religious studies	Spec A:	Spec:	Spec A: 4th submission due 27th May 2016	Spec:
	Spec B:	Spec 'SC':	Spec B: 4th submission due 27th May 2016	Spec 'SC':
	Spec		Spec 'SC A': 3rd	

'SC':

submission due 3rd June
2016Spec 'SC B': 3rd
submission due 3rd June
2016

Spanish -

5.

AS and A levels

	AQA	OCR	Pearson (Edexcel)	WJEC Eduqas
Classical Greek: A level	-	-	-	-
Classical Greek: AS level	-	-	-	-
Dance: A level	-	-	-	-
Dance: AS level	-	-	-	-
Drama and theatre: A level	-	-	-	-
Drama and theatre: AS level	-	-	-	-
French: A level	-	-	-	awaiting 5th submission
French: AS level	-	-	-	awaiting 5th submission
Geography: A level	4th submission due 20 May	-	-	-
Geography: AS level	4th submission due 20 May	-	-	-
German: A level	-	-	-	awaiting 5th submission

German: AS level	-	awaiting 5th submission
Latin: A level	-	-
Latin: AS level	-	-
Music: A level		
Music: AS level		
Physical education: A level		
Physical education: AS level		
Religious studies: A level		
Religious studies: AS level		
Spanish: A level	-	awaiting 5th submission
Spanish: AS level	-	awaiting 5th submission

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