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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 to scrutinise the specification and make a decision on whether it meets all

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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.

## 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

# 2.

## GCSEs

	AQA	OCR	Pearson (Edexcel)	WJEC Eduqas
Art and design				
Biology	3rd submission due 18 March 2016	Spec A: 3rd submission due 5 March 2016	3rd submission due 1 March 2016	3rd submission due 7 March 2016

			Spec B: 3rd submission due 1 March 2016	
Chemistry	3rd submission due 18 March 2016	Spec A: 3rd submission due 9 March 2016	3rd submission due 1 March 2016	3rd submission due 7 March 2016
		Spec B: 3rd submission due 3 March 2016		
Citizenship	3rd submission due 4 March 2016			-
Classical Greek	-		-	-
Combined science	Spec 'Synergy': 3rd submission due 18 March 2016	Spec A: 3rd submission due 11 March 2016	3rd submission due 1 March 2016	3rd submission due 7 March 2016
	Spec 'Trilogy': 3rd submission due 18 March 2016	Spec B: 3rd submission due 11 March 2016		
Computer science				
Dance	Awaiting 4th submission	-	-	-
Drama	2nd submission received 22 January 2016	3rd submission due 26 February 2016	4th submission due 25 February 2016	
Food preparation and nutrition			-	
French		3rd submission due 31 March 2016	Awaiting 4th submission	Awaiting 4th submission

Geography		Spec A:	Spec A:	Spec A:
		Spec B:	Spec B:	Spec B:
German		3rd submission due 31 March 2016	Awaiting 4th submission	Awaiting 4th submission
History		Spec A:		
		Spec B:		
Latin		-	-	
Music				
Physical education		3rd submission received 5 February		3rd submission received 11 February 2016
Physics	3rd submission due 18 March 2016	Spec A: 3rd submission due 11 March 2016	3rd submission due 1 March 2016	3rd submission due 7 March 2016
		Spec B: 3rd submission due 4 March 2016		
Religious studies	Spec A:	Spec: awaiting 3rd submission	Spec A: 2nd submission received 20 January 2016	Spec: Awaiting 3rd submission
	Spec B:			
	Spec 'SC':	Spec 'SC': awaiting 2nd submission	Spec B: 2nd submission received 20 January 2016	Spec 'SC': Awaiting 3rd submission
			Spec 'SC A': 2nd submission received 20 January 2016	
			Spec 'SC B': 2nd submission received 20 January 2016	

Spanish	3rd submission due 31 March 2016	Awaiting 4th submission	Awaiting 4th submission
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# 3.

## 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	2nd submission received 22 January 2016			3rd submission received 22 February 2016
Drama and theatre: AS level	2nd submission received 22 January 2016			3rd submission received 22 February 2016
French: A level	3rd submission due 11 March 2016	3rd submission due 31 March 2016	2nd submission due 2 March 2016	3rd submission due 11 March 2016
French: AS level	3rd submission due 11 March 2016	3rd submission due 31 March 2016	2nd submission due 2 March 2016	3rd submission due 11 March 2016
Geography: A level	3rd submission due 24 March 2016	3rd submission due 26 February 2016		3rd submission due 29 February 2016

Geography: AS level	3rd submission due 24 March 2016	2nd submission due 26 February 2016		Awaiting 4th submission
German: A level	3rd submission due 11 March 2016	3rd submission due 31 March 2016	2nd submission due 2 March 2016	3rd submission due 11 March 2016
German: AS level	3rd submission due 11 March 2016	3rd submission due 31 March 2016	2nd submission due 2 March 2016	3rd submission due 11 March 2016
Latin: A level	-		-	-
Latin: AS level	-		-	-
Music: A level				
Music: AS level				
Physical education: A level	3rd submission due 29 February 2016			Awaiting 3rd submission
Physical education: AS level	3rd submission due 29 February 2016			Awaiting 3rd submission
Religious studies: A level	Awaiting 3rd submission	2nd submission received 11 February 2016	3rd submission due 16 March 2016	Awaiting 3rd submission
Religious studies: AS level	Awaiting 3rd submission	2nd submission received 11 February 2016	3rd submission due 16 March 2016	Awaiting 3rd submission
Spanish: A level	3rd submission due 11 March 2016	3rd submission due 31 March 2016	2nd submission due 2 March 2016	3rd submission due 11 March 2016
Spanish: AS level	3rd submission due 11 March	3rd submission due 31 March	2nd submission	3rd submission due 11 March

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