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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.

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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 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

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Number of qualifications accredited

At least one exam board qualification has been accredited in all of the 20 GCSE subjects, and all 11 AS and A level subjects.

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Number of specifications accredited

2.1 For teaching from 2016

To date, 121 of 156 submitted specifications (78%) have been accredited.

73 of 86 GCSE specifications have been accredited.

48 of 70 AS and A level specifications have been accredited.

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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			

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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 'Trilogy':	Spec B:			
Computer					
Dance		-	-	-	
Drama		4th submission received 15 April 2016			
Food preparation and nutrition			-		
French		3rd submission due 06 May 2016		awaiting 5th submission	
Geography		Spec A:	Spec A:	Spec A:	
		Spec B:	Spec B:	Spec B:	
German		3rd submission due 06 May 2016		awaiting 5th submission	
History		Spec A:			
		Spec B:			
Latin	-		-		
Music					
Physical education					
Physics		Spec A:			
		Spec B:			
Religious studies	Spec A:	Spec:	Spec A: 3rd submission received 8 April 2016	Spec: awaiting 4th	
	Spec B:	Spec 'SC':	- ,	submission	

Sp	pec 'SC':	Spec B: 3rd submission received 8 April 2016 Spec 'SC		
		Spec 'SC A': awaiting 3rd submission, Spec 'SC B': awaiting 3rd submission	awaiting 4th submission	
Spanish	3rd submission		awaiting 5th submission	
	due 06 May 2016			

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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		3rd submission		4th submission due
		due 6 May 2016		29 April 2016
French: AS		3rd submission		4th submission due
level		due 6 May 2016		29 April 2016

Geography: A level	awaiting 4th submission		4th submission due 27 April 2016
Geography: AS level	awaiting 4th submission		awaiting 5th submission
German: A		3rd submission	4th submission due
level		due 6 May 2016	29 April 2016
German: AS		3rd submission	4th submission due
level		due 6 May 2016	29 April 2016
Latin: A level	-	-	-
Latin: AS level	-	-	-
Music: A level			
Music: AS level			
Physical			awaiting 4th
education: A			submission
level			
Physical			awaiting 4th
education: AS level			submission
Religious	4th submission	awaiting 4th	
studies: A level	due 26 April 2016	submission	
Religious		awaiting 4th	4th submission
studies: AS		submission	received 20 April
level			2016
Spanish: A		3rd submission	4th submission due
level		due 6 May 2016	29 April 2016
Spanish: AS		3rd submission	4th submission due
level		due 6 May 2016	29 April 2016

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