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Guidance

GCSE, AS and A level subjects accredited to be taught from 2017

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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 2017.

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

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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

Subject	AQA	OCR	Pearson (Edexcel)	WJEC Eduqas
GCSE design & technology	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016
GCSE business	Awaiting 2nd submission	Awaiting 2nd submission	Awaiting 2nd submission	Awaiting 2nd submission
GCSE	2nd submission	-	-	-

engineering due 19 August
2016

GCSE economics	2nd submission due 8 July 2016	2nd submission due 12 July 2016	-	-
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GCSE astronomy	-	-	2nd submission due 12 July 2016	-
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GCSE psychology	1st submission received 14 June 2016	1st submission received 16 June 2016	1st submission received 16 June 2016	-
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GCSE geology	-	-	-	Awaiting 2nd submission
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GCSE electronics	-	-	-	
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GCSE ancient history	-		-	-
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GCSE sociology		-	-	
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GCSE classical civilisation	-		-	-
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GCSE film studies	-		-	
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GCSE media studies			-	
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GCSE PE (short course)	-	-		
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GCSE statistics		-		-
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GCSE arabic	-	-		-
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GCSE modern	-	-		-
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Greek				
GCSE Urdu				
GCSE Chinese				
GCSE Italian				
GCSE Russian				
GCSE Japanese				
GCSE modern Hebrew				
GCSE Bengali				
GCSE Punjabi				
GCSE Polish				

3.

AS and A levels

Subject	AQA	OCR	Pearson (Edexcel)	WJEC Eduqas
Design & technology: A level	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016
Design & technology: AS level	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016	1st submission received 19 May 2016
Music technology: A	-	-	2nd submission due 21 July	-

level			2016	
Music technology: AS level	-	-	2nd submission due 21 July 2016	-
History of art: A level	2nd submission due 5 August 2016	-	-	-
History of art: AS level	2nd submission due 5 August 2016	-	-	-
Environmental science: A level	2nd submission due 14 October 2016	-	-	-
Environmental science: AS level	2nd submission due 14 October 2016	-	-	-
Philosophy: A level	2nd submission due 9 September 2016	-	-	-
Philosophy: AS level	2nd submission due 9 September 2016	-	-	-
Maths: A level	1st submission received 9 June 2016	Spec A: 1st submission received 9 June 2016 Spec MEI B: 1st submission received 9 June 2016	1st submission received 9 June 2016	-
Maths: AS level	1st submission received 9 June 2016	Spec A: 1st submission received 9 June 2016 Spec MEI B: 1st submission received 9 June 2016	1st submission received 9 June 2016	-
Further maths: A	1st submission received 9	Spec A: 1st submission received	1st submission received 9	-

level	June 2016	9 June 2016	June 2016	
		Spec MEI B: 1st submission received 9 June 2016		
Further maths: AS level	1st submission received 9 June 2016	Spec A: 1st submission received 9 June 2016	1st submission received 9 June 2016	-
		Spec MEI B: 1st submission received 9 June 2016		
Archaeology: A level	1st submission received 6 July 2016	-	-	-
Archaeology: AS level	1st submission received 6 July 2016	-	-	-
Accounting: A level	1st submission received 5 July 2016	-	-	-
Accounting: AS level	1st submission received 5 July 2016	-	-	-
Electronics: A level	-	-	-	
Electronics: AS level		-	-	
Ancient history: A level	-		-	-
Ancient history: AS level	-		-	-
Law: A level			-	
Law: AS level			-	
Classical civilisation: A			-	-

level				
Classical civilisation: AS level		-		-
Film studies: A level	-		-	
Film studies: AS level	-		-	
Media studies: A level		-		
Media studies: AS level		-		
Politics: A level		-		-
Politics: AS level		-		-
Geology: A level	-		-	
Geology: AS level	-		-	
Statistics: A level		-	-	-
Statistics: AS level		-	-	
Chinese: A level	-	-		-
Chinese: AS level	-	-		-
Italian: A level	-	-		-
Italian: AS level	-	-		-

Russian: A level	-	-	-
Russian: AS level	-	-	-

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