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Notice to Centres

Withdrawal of Curriculum 2000 Specifications

Assessment arrangements during the transition from current (legacy) specifications to new specifications

The following table lists the *minimum* assessment opportunities for the period covering the withdrawal of the current (legacy) GCE specifications and the phasing in of the newly accredited specifications. Individual awarding bodies will notify centres of the particular arrangements for their own specifications in their own communications to centres.

Examination series	Current (legacy specifications)	New specifications
January 2009	Only those AS and A2 units that are normally offered in the winter series will be available. <i>Certification of AS and A level possible.</i>	Those AS units that are shown in the specification as being available in this series are offered. <i>No certification of new AS possible.</i>
June 2009	All AS and A2 units will be available. This will be the final re-sit opportunity for the AS units (provided that centres are notified of this by September 2007 by the individual awarding body). <i>Certification of AS and A level possible.</i>	All AS units offered. <i>Certification of new AS possible.</i>
January 2010	Externally assessed A2 units available if notification of intention to enter candidates given to AB. This will be the final re-sit opportunity for these A2 units. <i>Certification of AS and A level possible.</i>	Those AS and A2 units that are shown in the specification as being available in this series are offered. <i>Certification of new AS possible.</i>
June 2010	No units offered <i>No certification possible</i>	All AS and A2 units available. <i>Certification of AS and A level possible.</i>

In the light of the programme for withdrawal given above, students embarking upon a two-year course of study leading to the award of an AS qualification in June 2009 are reminded of the fact that the June 2009 examination is intended to be the last one in which the legacy AS units will be examined. They may therefore wish to prepare for examinations for the AS units in the new specification, which will permit an entry for re-sits in a subsequent examination series, should that need arise.