



PRESS RELEASE

Registration of Private Candidates for Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) 2017 Category C Subjects (Other Languages – November 2016 Series)

Registration for the 2017 HKDSE will be conducted in two periods: June 2016 and September 2016. The June registration, covering Category C subjects (Other Languages - November 2016 Series) only, commences tomorrow (15 June 2016).

Prospective private candidates should note the registration details as follows:

1. Entry Qualifications

A person may enter for the 2017 HKDSE as a private candidate provided he/she satisfies one of the following requirements:

- (a) Sat the HKDSE or an equivalent examination, or
- (b) Reached the age of 19 by 1 January 2017, or
- (c) Completed or is pursuing a non-HKDSE curriculum equivalent to Secondary 6 in 2016/2017.

A candidate enters for the 2017 HKDSE as a private candidate cannot enter as a school candidate at the same time.

2. Registration for Category C Subjects

All six Category C subjects, viz. French, German, Hindi, Japanese, Spanish and Urdu, will be offered in the November 2016 Series. For French and Spanish, candidates may choose to register for the examination in the November 2016 or the June 2017 Series, but not both. The number of Category C subjects entered in both series will be combined with the Categories A and B subjects entered for the 2017 HKDSE and is limited to the maximum number of eight subjects.

3. Release of Results

The results of the Category C subjects November 2016 examinations are tentatively scheduled to be released by early February 2017 while the results for Category C June 2017 series examination will be released in late August 2017, which could not meet the Joint University Programmes Admissions System (JUPAS) schedule for tertiary admissions. Persons who intend to take the Category C French and Spanish examinations are advised to sit the November 2016 series examination.

4. Examination Fees

Initial fee for private candidates: HK\$457

Subject fee for Other Languages subjects: HK\$595 per subject

5. Registration Period

November 2016 series: 15 June - 11 July 2016

June 2017 series: 13 September – 7 October 2016 (tentative)

6. Registration Method:

Applicants are required to register online via the HKDSE Registration System at the HKDSE Examination Online Services (www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk/).

7. '*Instructions to Applicants for the Category C Subjects (Other Languages - November 2016 series) examinations*' is now available on the HKEAA website at www.hkeaa.edu.hk and the HKDSE Examination Online Services (www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk/).

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