

Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority
Pearson Edexcel GCE / IAL / GCSE / IGCSE Examination
Cambridge GCE / IGCSE Examination

General Information for Examination

1. Introduction

The HKEAA administers GCE, IAL, IGCSE and GCSE (Chinese) examinations on behalf of the following examination boards:

Examinations	Examination Board	Website
GCE / IAL / GCSE / IGCSE	Pearson Edexcel	https://qualifications.pearson.com/
GCE / IGCSE	Cambridge	https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/

2. Entry Requirements

No restrictions on entry requirements. All candidates can apply for registration.

3. Registration Information

(A) Registration Period

Examinations	Examination Period	Registration Period
Pearson Edexcel GCE	May / June 2025	Late Nov to early Dec 2024
Pearson Edexcel IAL	January 2025	Early to Mid-Sep 2024
	May / June 2025	Late Nov to early Dec 2024
Pearson Edexcel GCSE (Chinese)	May / June 2025	Late Nov to early Dec 2024 (for school candidates only)
Pearson Edexcel IGCSE	November 2024	Early to Mid-Aug 2024
	May / June 2025	Late Nov to early Dec 2024
Cambridge GCE	October / November 2024	Late June to early July 2024
	May / June 2025	Late Nov to early Dec 2024
Cambridge IGCSE	October / November 2024	Late June to early July 2024
	May / June 2025	Late Nov to early Dec 2024

(B) Submission of Registration

Candidates are required to submit their registrations via the HKEAA Online Registration System (online.hkeaa.edu.hk) within the specified registration period. At the time of the registration, the image of candidates' Hong Kong Identity Cards or other identification documents must be uploaded for verification purpose. For candidates who would like to register as a "School Candidates", they should first obtain a school code (i.e. GSXXX) through their schools and the school code is required to be entered during the online registration. Please note that all examination documents (e.g. candidate information checklist, admission form, result statement) will be posted within Hong Kong only. **No postal service will be arranged for address located outside Hong Kong.**

4. Range of Subjects Offered through the HKEAA

The HKEAA only offers the subjects for GCE, IAL and IGCSE examinations which have general demand in Hong Kong. Candidates must read the examination syllabuses for each subject carefully and keep themselves abreast of the latest changes and the requirement of entry for various subject on the Examination Boards' websites before the submission of the registration. The HKEAA will not be held responsible for incorrect registration and no refund of the examination fee will be made.

Pearson Edexcel GCE A / AS Level Examination

Subject Code	Subjects AS-Level and A-Level (Linear):	May / June	Remarks
8BS0 (AS Level)/ 9BS0 (A-Level)	Business	✓	AS level is a standalone qualification and no longer contributes to A level qualification.
9CN0 (A-Level only)	Chinese (Cantonese / Mandarin) -with speaking test	✓	
8EC0 (AS Level)/ 9EC0 (A-Level)	Economics A	✓	
9EB0 (A-Level only)	Economics B	✓	
8FM0 (AS Level)/ 9FM0 (A-Level)	Further Mathematics	✓	
8MA0 (AS Level)/ 9MA0 (A-Level)	Mathematics	✓	
8PL0 (AS Level)/ 9PL0 (A-Level)	Politics	✓	
8PS0 (AS Level)/ 9PS0 (A-Level)	Psychology	✓	
9ST0 (A-Level only)	Statistics	✓	

Note:

- The speaking test of GCE A Level Chinese (9CN0) will be held on weekdays, weekends or public holidays and the test schedule is subject to the candidature, availability of examination venues and oral examiners. Candidates MUST reserve the above test period for sitting the speaking test before submission of registration. Candidates are required to follow the scheduled date and time printed on the admission form for sitting the speaking test. No rescheduling of the speaking test will be arranged under any circumstance.

Pearson Edexcel IAL Examination

Modular / Unit Code	Subjects	January	May / June
WAC11 – WAC12	Accounting	✓	✓
WAA01 – WAA02	Arabic	✓	✓
WBI11 – WBI16	Biology	✓	✓
WBS11 – WBS14	Business	✓	✓
WCH11 – WCH16	Chemistry	✓	✓
WEC11 – WEC14	Economics	✓	✓
WEN01 – WEN04	English Language	✓	✓
WET01 – WET04	English Literature	✓	✓
WGK01 – WGK02	Greek	N/A	✓
WHI01 – WHI04	History	✓	✓
YLA1	Law	N/A	✓
WMA11 – WMA14 (P1-P4) WDM11 (D1) WME01 – WME03 (M1-M3) WST01 – WST03 (S1-S3) WFM01 – WFM03 (FP1-FP3)	Mathematics	✓	✓
WPH11 – WPH16	Physics	✓	✓
WPS01 – WPS04	Psychology	✓	✓

Pearson Edexcel GCSE / IGCSE Examination

Subject Code	Subjects	GCSE Chinese (for school candidates only)	IGCSE Specification	
		May / June	November	May / June
4AC1	Accounting		✓	✓
4AA1	Arabic (First Language)		✓	✓
4BI1	Biology		✓	✓
4BS1	Business		✓	✓
4CH1	Chemistry		✓	✓
4CN1/ 1CN0	Chinese (Cantonese / Mandarin) -with speaking test	✓	N/A	✓
4CM1	Commerce		✓	✓
4EC1	Economics		✓	✓
4ES1	English as a Second Language (Spec.2017)*		✓	✓
4EA1	English Language (Specification A)		✓	✓
4EB1	English Language (Specification B)		✓	✓
4ET1	English Literature		✓	✓
4FR1	French -with speaking test		N/A	✓
4PM1	Further Pure Mathematics		✓	✓
4GN1	German -with speaking test		N/A	✓
4GK1	Greek (First Language)		N/A	✓
4HI1	History		✓	✓
4HB1	Human Biology		✓	✓
4MA1	Mathematics (Specification A)		✓	✓
4MB1	Mathematics (Specification B)		✓	✓
4PH1	Physics		✓	✓
4RS1	Religious Studies		N/A	✓
4SD0	Science (Double Award)		✓	✓
4SP1	Spanish -with speaking test		N/A	✓
4TA1	Tamil		N/A	✓

Note:

- 1 The GCSE Chinese examination will only be offered to candidates of schools which have registered with Pearson Edexcel as a “Pearson International Centre”. For enquiries, please contact the HKEAA at 3628 8787 for further assistance.
- 2 The speaking test of IGCSE Chinese (4CN1), German (4GN1), French (4FR1) and Spanish (4SP1) will be held on weekdays, weekends or public holidays and the test schedule is subject to the candidature, availability of examination venues and oral examiners. Candidates MUST reserve the above test period for sitting the speaking test before submission of registration. Candidates are required to follow the scheduled date and time printed on the admission form for sitting the speaking test. No rescheduling of the speaking test will be arranged under any circumstance.
- 3 *As announced by Pearson Edexcel, May/June 2025 will be the last examination series for the syllabus of 4ES1 - English as a Second Language (Spec.2017). The syllabus will no longer available from November 2025 onwards.

Cambridge GCE A Level / AS Level Examination

Subject Code	Subjects	October / November	May / June
	A-Level and AS-Level:		
9706	Accounting	✓	✓
9609	Business	✓	✓
9708	Economics	✓	✓
9093	English Language	✓	✓
9231	Further Mathematics	✓	✓
9696	Geography	✓	✓
9489	History	✓	✓
9695	Literature in English	✓	✓
9709	Mathematics	✓	✓
9990	Psychology	✓	✓
9699	Sociology	✓	✓
9868	Chinese Language and Literature	✓	N/A
	AS-Level only:	✓	N/A
8238	Chinese Language (Mandarin only) -with speaking test	✓	N/A
8028	French Language -with speaking test	N/A	✓
8022	Spanish Language -with speaking test	N/A	✓

Note:

- As announced by Cambridge, the new syllabuses of Cambridge GCE A-Level Chinese (9868) and AS-Level Chinese (8238) examinations will replace the syllabuses of A-Level Chinese (9715) and AS-Level Chinese (8681) starting from the October / November 2024 series. Under the new specifications, candidates are required to sit for two additional papers for the AS-Level Chinese examination, including the listening test and speaking test. Please note that only Mandarin version of the listening materials will be provided by Cambridge and candidates are required to speak in Mandarin for the speaking test. For more information about the new syllabuses, please visit Cambridge's website at <https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-advanced/cambridge-international-as-and-a-levels/subjects/>.
- The speaking test of GCE AS Level Chinese Language (8238) will be held on weekdays, weekends or public holidays and the test schedule is subject to the candidature, availability of examination venues and oral examiners. Candidates MUST reserve the above test period for sitting the speaking test before submission of registration. Candidates are required to follow the scheduled date and time printed on the admission form for sitting the speaking test. No rescheduling of the speaking test will be arranged under any circumstance.

Cambridge IGCSE Examination

Subject Code	Subjects	IGCSE	
		October / November	May / June
0452	Accounting	✓	✓
0610	Biology	✓	✓
0450	Business Studies	✓	✓
0620	Chemistry	✓	✓
0509	Chinese (First Language)	N/A	✓
0478	Computer Science	✓	✓
0455	Economics	✓	✓
0500	English (First Language)	✓	✓
0510	English as a Second Language	✓	✓
0680	Environmental Management	✓	✓
0520	French -with speaking test	✓	✓
0460	Geography	✓	✓
0549	Hindi as a Second Language	✓	N/A
0470	History	✓	✓
0480	Latin	N/A	✓
0475	Literature in English	✓	✓
0580	Mathematics	✓	✓
0606	Additional Mathematics	✓	✓
0625	Physics	✓	✓
0490	Religious Studies	✓	N/A
0495	Sociology	✓	✓

Note:

1. Please note that the HKEAA only offers the registration of an entry for the A*-G grading scale for Cambridge IGCSE examination.
2. The speaking test of IGCSE French (0520) will be held on weekdays, weekends or public holidays and the test schedule is subject to the candidature, availability of examination venues and oral examiners. Candidates MUST reserve the above test period for sitting the speaking test before submission of registration. Candidates are required to follow the scheduled date and time printed on the admission form for sitting the speaking test. No rescheduling of the speaking test will be arranged under any circumstance.