

Qualification	Changes
<p>Pearson Edexcel GCE AS / A Levels</p>	<p>New GCE qualification with linear specifications (AS / A Level) for Chinese, Mathematics, Further Mathematics and Politics will be offered in May / June 2019. However, AS Level will be a standalone qualification. AS Level results will no longer contribute towards an A-level qualification.</p> <p>For details of the GCE reform, <a href="http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/changes.html">http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/changes.html</a></p> <p>For details of the linear and modular qualifications: <a href="http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/understanding-marks-and-grades.html">http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/understanding-marks-and-grades.html</a></p> <p>For details of the new specifications,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chinese AS Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/chinese-2017.html#tab-1">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/chinese-2017.html#tab-1</a></li> <li>● Chinese A Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/chinese-2017.html#tab-0">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/chinese-2017.html#tab-0</a></li> <li>● Mathematics AS Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html</a></li> <li>● Mathematics A Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html#tab-1">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html#tab-1</a></li> <li>● Further Mathematics AS Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html#tab-2">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html#tab-2</a></li> <li>● Further Mathematics A Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html#tab-3">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/mathematics-2017.html#tab-3</a></li> <li>● Politics AS Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/politics-2017.html#tab-1">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/politics-2017.html#tab-1</a></li> <li>● Politics A Level: <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/politics-2017.html#tab-0">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels/politics-2017.html#tab-0</a></li> </ul> <p>May / June 2019 is the final re-sit opportunity of the following subjects for legacy specifications. Only those existing candidates who have previously sat the unit(s) and entered respective cash-in(s) will be eligible for a final re-sit opportunity taking AS / A Levels legacy specifications in May / June 2019. No new candidates for taking AS / A Levels legacy specifications will be accepted for May / June 2019. AS candidates will also not be allowed to enter A Level units to achieve A Level qualification in May / June 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chinese (both AS / A Level), Mathematics (both AS / A Levels), Further Mathematics (both AS / A Levels), Pure Mathematics (both AS / A Levels), Further Maths (Additional) (both AS / A Levels), Government &amp; Politics (both AS / A Levels)</li> </ul>
<p>Pearson Edexcel IGCSE / GCSE Chinese</p>	<p>The new 9-1 grading scale (with 9 as the top grade) and new specifications for a range of subjects are being introduced from May / June 2019. The final examinations for the legacy specifications with A*-G grading scale were in May / June 2018 and January 2019 respectively. The last examinations for Urdu (4UR0) of legacy specifications with A*-G grading scale was conducted in May / June 2018 and this subject will not be re-developed to new 9-1 grading scale.</p> <p>For details of the change, <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/results-certification/understanding-marks-and-grades/9-1-awarding-faqs.html">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/results-certification/understanding-marks-and-grades/9-1-awarding-faqs.html</a></p> <p>For details of the new specifications,</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● IGCSE Subjects: <a href="http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-international-gcses-and-edexcel-certificates.html">http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-international-gcses-and-edexcel-certificates.html</a></li> <li>● GCSE Chinese: <a href="http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/chinese-2017.html">http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/chinese-2017.html</a></li> </ul>
Pearson Edexcel IAL	<p>The IAL qualifications for a range of subjects are being updated. Subjects Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Business Studies, Economics will have final sitting of legacy AS-Level in May / June 2019 and A2-Level in May / June 2020. Candidate must enter all contributing units of their intended AS / A-Level qualification(s) and enter all eligible cash-in code(s) by the afore-mentioned deadlines. Candidates are not able to combine legacy (2013) and redeveloped (2018) units.</p> <p>Mathematics subjects have different assessment changes and timelines. Decision Mathematics has been updated (WDM11). The Core Mathematics units (WMA01 and WMA02) have been renamed Pure Mathematics and split as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Core Mathematics 12 content has been restructured into 2 units: Pure Mathematics 1 (WMA11) and Pure Mathematics 2 (WMA12)</li> <li>● Core Mathematics 34 content has been restructured into 2 units: Pure Mathematics 3 (WMA13) and Pure Mathematics 4 (WMA14)</li> </ul> <p>For details of the above assessment changes and timelines, please refer to the Edexcel's website <a href="https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-international-advanced-levels/international-advanced-level-from-2018.html">https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-international-advanced-levels/international-advanced-level-from-2018.html</a></p>
Cambridge International GCE	<p>The October / November 2018 was the last examination series for existing syllabus of Psychology (9698). The first examination of the subject at its new syllabus, i.e. Psychology (9990) will be offered in May / June 2019. Candidates can re-sit AS and A Level Psychology (9698) in 2018 only. Candidates may not take AS Level Psychology (9698) and complete the A Level with components from the new syllabus AS &amp; A Level Psychology (9990).</p> <p>The May / June 2019 is the last examination series for O-Level subject Nepali (3202), in other words, May / June 2019 will be the last examinations series for this subject. For the O-Level subject Arabic (3180) will not be available in Hong Kong from 2020, thus, October / November 2019 will be the last examinations series for this subject available in Hong Kong.</p> <p>There are significant changes of Mathematics (9709) and Further Mathematics (9231) syllabuses from 2020, please refer to below website of Cambridge International for details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 9709 Mathematics: <a href="http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-international-as-and-a-level-mathematics-9709/">http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-international-as-and-a-level-mathematics-9709/</a></li> <li>● 9231 Further Mathematics: <a href="http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-international-as-and-a-level-mathematics-further-9231/">http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-international-as-and-a-level-mathematics-further-9231/</a></li> </ul>

Cambridge International IGCSE	<p>There are significant syllabuses changes for subject Environmental Management (0680) and First Language (English) from 2019 May / June and 2020 respectively, please refer to below website of Cambridge International for details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 0580 Environmental Management: <a href="http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-igcse-environmental-management-0680/">http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-igcse-environmental-management-0680/</a></li><li>● 0500 First Language (English): <a href="http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-igcse-english-first-language-0500/">http://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/cambridge-igcse-english-first-language-0500/</a></li></ul> <p>From 2020 examination series, the subject Russian (First Language) (0516) and Arabic (First Language) (0508) will not be available in Hong Kong, in other words, May / June 2019 and October / November will be the last examinations series for these subjects respectively available in Hong Kong.</p> <p>From 2020 examination series, the subject Literature (English) (0486) will be replaced by the updated syllabus Literature in English (0475).</p>
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