



Portadown College

External Examinations 2021 – 22

A2: Summer Entries - Optional Units

Below are the assessment units for each A2 subject, including those subjects which have had units omitted from compulsory assessment in Summer 22.

Your A2 grade will be calculated on performance in these compulsory units alone (with unit weightings adjusted accordingly).

However, if a student chooses to sit one of these omitted optional units, they will receive the higher grade of either:

- the compulsory unit(s) alone; or
- the compulsory and optional units combined.

Portadown College, the Department of Education and CCEA strongly recommend that students sit the compulsory units alone (unless in exceptional circumstances as advised by the school).

In cases below where a unit has been '*adapted*', the unit remains mandatory but certain elements within have been reduced. A specific adaption has been designed for Religious Studies and candidates will be contacted about this in due course.

By default, students will be entered into the compulsory unit(s) only for each subject. Therefore, **to choose an omitted unit**, students must follow the process set out on their Year Group Google Classroom (*Classwork > Examinations > Omitted Exam Units*) by **Friday 28th January**.

Please be advised that in line with previous correspondence, **an omitted coursework/internal assessment module cannot now be selected for optional entry in Summer 22**. Details on the mandatory coursework units can be found on our website:

<https://www.portadowncollege.com/controlled-assessment/>

A2 Level**Department & Units****Normal Arrangements****Unit Codes****Summer 22
Omissions****Art & Design**

Cash In: A3514A

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Personal and Critical Investigation

Teacher Assessment / 60% (36% A-Level)

AAAR1

Unchanged

A2 2: Thematic Outcome

Teacher Assessment / 40% (24% A-Level)

AAAR2

[Adapted](#)**Biology**

Cash In: A1014

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Physiology, Co-ordination and Control, and Ecosystems

External written examination / 2:15 mins / 24%

AABY1

Unchanged

A2 2: Biochemistry, Genetics and Evolutionary Trends

External written examination / 2:15 mins / 24%

AABY2

Unchanged

A2 3: Practical Skills in Biology

External written examination 1: 15 mins / Internal practical
assessment / 12%

AABY3

OMITTED

Business Studies

Cash In: A3214

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Strategic Decision Making

External written examination / 2 hours / 30%

AABU1

Unchanged

A2 2: The Competitive Business Environment

External written examination / 2 hours / 30%

AABU2

OMITTED

Chemistry

Cash In: A1114

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Further Physical and Organic Chemistry	External written examination / 2 hours / 40% of A2 / 24% of A level	AACH1	Unchanged
A2 2: Analytical, Transition Metals, Electrochemistry and Organic Nitrogen Chemistry	External written examination / 2 hours / 40% of A2 / 24% of A level	AACH2	Unchanged
A2 3: Further Practical Chemistry	Practical Booklet A / Lab / 1:15mins Practical Booklet B / Exam Hall / 1:15mins 20% of A2 / 12% of A level	AACH3	OMITTED

Computer Science (WJEC)

Qual Code: 1501QS A Level

[Amendment](#)

Unit 3: Programming and System Development	Written examination / 2 hours / 20%	1500U3	Adapted
Unit 4: Computer Architecture, Data, Communication and Applications	Written examination / 2 hours / 20%	1500U4	Adapted
Unit 5: Programmed Solution to a Problem	Non-exam assessment / 20%	1500U5	Adapted

Digital Technology

Cash In: A2656

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Information Systems	External written examination / 2 hours 30 mins / 40%	AADT1	Unchanged
A2 2: Application Development (Case Study)	Internal assessment / 20%	AADT2	Adapted

Drama (WJEC)

Qual Code: 1691QS

[Amendment](#)

Unit 3: Text in Action	Non-exam assessment / visiting examiner / 36%	1690U3	Amended
Unit 4: Text in Performance	Written examination / 2 hours 30 minutes / 24%	1690U4	Amended

Economics

Cash In: A4414

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Business Economics	Written examination / 2 hours / 30%	AAEC1	Unchanged
A2 2: Managing the Economy in a Global World	Written examination / 2 hours / 30%	AAEC2	OMITTED

English Literature

Cash In: A5114

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Shakespearean Genres	External written examination / 1:30 mins / 20%	AAEL11 Option 1 Othello	Unchanged
A2 2: The Study of Poetry Pre 1900 and Unseen Poetry	External written examination / 2 hours / 20%	AAEL21 Option1 Chaucer	OMITTED
A2 3: Internal Assessment	Internal assessment / 20%	AAEL3	Unchanged

Food & Nutrition

Cash In: A3314

Nutrition & Food Science

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Option A: Food Security and Sustainability	External written examination / 2 hours 30 mins / 30%	AANF1A	Unchanged
A2 2: Research Project	Internal assessment / 30%	AANF2	Adapted

French

Cash In: A5654

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Speaking	Total time: 15 mins / 18% of A-Level	AAFR1	OMITTED
A2 2: Listening [A] Reading [B]	24% of A-Level (45 mins) (2Hrs)	AAFR2	Unchanged
A2 3: Extended Writing	1 hour / 18% of A-Level	AAFR3	Unchanged

Further Maths

Cash In: A2332

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Pure Mathematics	External written examination / 2 hours 15 mins / 30%	AAFM1	Unchanged
A2 2: Applied Mathematics	External written examination / 2 hours 15 mins / 30%	AAFM2	OMITTED

Geography

Cash In: A3914

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Physical Processes, Landforms and Management	External written examination / 1 hour 30 mins / 24%	AAGG1	Unchanged
A2 2: Processes and Issues in Human Geography	External written examination / 1 hour 30 mins / 24%	AAGG2	Unchanged
A2 3: Decision Making in Geography	External written examination / 1 hour 30 mins / 12%	AAGG3	OMITTED

Health & Social Care

Cash In: A9808

[Amendment](#)

A2 3: Providing Services	External written examination (pre-release material) / 2 hours / 30%	AAHC3	Unchanged
A2 5: Supporting the family	Internal Assessment	AAHC5	Unchanged
A2 2: Body Systems	Internal Assessment	AAHC2	OMITTED

History

Cash In: A4014

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Change Over Time (Option 4)	External written examination / 1 hour 15 minutes / 20%	AAHY14	OMITTED
A2 2: Historical Investigations and Interpretations (Option 1)	External written examination / 2 hours 30 mins / 40%	AAHY21	Unchanged

Life & Health Science

Cash In: A8011

[Amendment](#)

Unit A2 1: Scientific Method, Investigation, Analysis and Evaluation	Internal assessment / 20%	AAZO1	Unchanged
Unit A2 2: Organic Chemistry	External written examination / 1 hour 45 mins / 20%	AAZO2	Unchanged
Unit A2 5: Genetics, Stem Cell Research and Cloning	External written examination / 1:45 mins/ 20%	AAZO3/4/5	OMITTED

Mathematics

Cash In: A2212

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Pure Mathematics	External written examination / 2:30 mins / 36%	AAMT1	Unchanged
A2 2: Applied Mathematics	External written examination / 1:30 mins / 24%	AAMT2	OMITTED

Moving Image Arts

Cash In: A5355

[Amendment](#)

Unit A2 1: Creative Production and Research	Internal Assessment Advanced Portfolio / 36%	AAMX1	Adapted
Unit A2 2: Advanced Critical Response	Online examination / 2:15 minute / 24%	AAMX2	Unchanged

Music

Cash In: A7014

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Performing	Externally assessed by visiting examiner / 19.5%	AAMU1	Unchanged
A2 2: Composing	Internally assessed, externally moderated / 19.5%	AAMU2	OMITTED
A2 3: Responding to Music	External written examinations: Aural perception (1:15 min) Written examination (2 hours) / 21%	AAMU3	Unchanged

Physics

Cash In: A1214

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Deformation of Solids, Thermal Physics, Circular Motion, Oscillations and Atomic and Nuclear Physics	Externally assessed written paper / 2 hours / 24%	AAPH1	Unchanged
A2 2: Fields, Capacitors and Particle Physics	Externally assessed written paper / 2 hours / 24%	AAPH2	Unchanged
A2 3: Practical Techniques and Data Analysis	Externally assessed / 2 (1 hour) components / 12%	AAPH3	OMITTED

Politics

Cash In: A4834

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Option A: A Comparative Study of the Government and Politics of the United States of America and the United Kingdom

External written examination / 2 hours 15 mins / 35%

AAGP1A

Unchanged

A2 2: Option A: Political Power

External written examination / 1 hour 30 mins / 25%

AAGP2A

OMITTED

Psychology (AQA) Linear

Sub Code: 7182

Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology

Written exam / 2 hours / 33.3% of A-Level

Advance

Paper 2: Psychology in Context

Written exam / 2 hours / 33.3% of A-Level

Advance

Paper 3: Issues and Options in Psychology

Written exam / 2 hours / 33.3% of A-Level

Advance

Religious Studies

Cash In: A4614

[Amendment](#)

Religion and Ethics A2 7: Global Ethics

2 hours / External written examination / 30%

AARE7

Philosophy of Religion A2 8: Themes in the Philosophy of Religion

2 hours / External written examination / 30%

AARE8

Spanish

Cash In: A5754

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Speaking

Total time: 15 mins / 18%

AAEP1

OMITTED

A2 2: Listening [A], Reading [B]

2:45 mins / 24%

AAEP1

Unchanged

A2 3: Extended Writing

Total time: 1 hour / 18%

AAEP1

Unchanged

Sports Science

Cash In: A0812

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Event Management in the Active Leisure Industry	Internal assessment / 36%	AAAL1	Adapted
A2 2: The Application of Science to Sports Performance	External written examination / 2 hours / 24%	AAAL2	Unchanged

Technology & Design

Cash In: A8904

[Amendment](#)

A2 1: Systems and Control or Product Design: Option B&C	External written examination / 2 hours / 30%	AATE1A/B	Unchanged
A2 2: Coursework: Product– System Design and Manufacture	Internal assessment / 30%	AATE2	Amended

Level 3 Tourism (WJEC)

Diploma: 4583QD

Unit 3: Dynamic Tourism	External assessment 50% (25% of Diploma)	4583UD	Adapted
Unit 4: Event Planning	Internal assessment 50 (25% of Diploma)	4583U4	Adapted