

Enquiry

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- By email: contact@britishcouncil.org.sg
- Website: www.britishcouncil.sg
- Walk-in at British Council, Singapore
30 Napier Road, Singapore 258509

Preparation

- Past Years' Examination Papers
- Syllabuses
- Marking Schemes
- Useful websites:
www.edexcel.com;
<http://www.pearsonschoolsandfecolleges.co.uk/examzone/examzone.aspx>

Application

- Fill out the application form
- Register in person or by post
- The full examination fee is payable upon registration. Payment can be made by cash, cheque (payable to "British Council (Singapore) Limited"), credit card or NETS
- Obtain a copy of the information for Candidates and examination timetable

Admission Letter

- The **Admission Notice, Statement of Entry, Final Timetable**, and other relevant examination documents will be emailed to the candidate two weeks before the examination date
- Contact the Examinations Services if you have not receive the admission documents

Examination

- Arrive at the venue fifteen minutes before the examination
- Candidates must produce their identity card/ passport and statement of entry for all examinations
- Candidates must bring all necessary stationery in a transparent pencil case. **Books, dictionaries, mobile phones, and rough papers are not allowed in the exam room.**

Statement of Results

- The Statement of Results are available in **March** for the January examinations and **August** for the June examinations
- The statement of results shows how well the candidate has performed in each subject/paper.

Certificates

- Certificates are awarded to candidates who pass the examinations
- Certificates are issued in **May** and **October** for the January and the May/June examination sessions respectively

Introduction

Edexcel, a Pearson company, is the UK's largest awarding body offering academic and vocational qualifications and testing to schools, colleges, employers and other places of learning in the UK and internationally.

At the British Council, Singapore; you may register for the International GCSE, International Advanced Level, and GCE AS/A Level examinations. Candidates have a wide variety of subjects to choose from in each qualification. Once you have studied for the examination, you may contact the British Council and register for the examinations as a private candidate.

The International GCSE, International Advanced Level, and GCE A Level examinations

The International General Certificate of Secondary Education (International GCSE) is an international qualification for school students (usually aged 14 to 16). They are a variant on the UK General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE). International GCSEs prepare students for further study, including progression to GCE AS or A levels or employment. Foundation tier papers are targeted at grades D to G, and Higher tier papers are targeted at grades A* to C. This allows students of all abilities the opportunity to gain good results.

The GCE 2008 AS and A Levels are at a higher academic level than International GCSE and this qualification determines entry into universities in the UK and in other countries.

The International Advanced Levels (IAL) is an international alternative to Edexcel's Ofqual-regulated A Level qualifications (GCE 2008 specification). This new suite of qualification, regulated by Pearson, has been written to the highest standard, with the global learner in mind.

What qualifications do I need to enter for examination?

There is no basic qualification or age restriction to register for the examination.

What are the subjects offered?

Pearson Edexcel covers a wide range of subjects for International GCSE, International Advanced Level, and GCE AS and A Levels. The most popular subjects are Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Economics, Accounting and Mathematics. The exam board may offer session specific subjects like Law which is only available in June.

We do not offer subjects with practical, coursework, and oral components at our centre.

There is no limit to the number of subjects a candidate can register for.

When are the Edexcel examinations held?

Exam Session	Qualification	Standard Registration Closing Date
May/June	International GCSE	21 March 2016
	International AS/A Level	21 March 2016
	GCE AS/ A Level (GCE 2008)	21 March 2016

A comparison between the International AS/A Level and the GCE AS/A Level (GCE 2008).

	GCE 2008 Specification	International Advanced Level
Structure	Modular until 2015 (ie. Units are assessed individually)	Modular (ie. Units are assessed individually).
AS/A2 Split	AS contributes to full A Levels	AS contributes to full A Levels
Assessment Availability	No coursework. June examinations only	No coursework. January and June examinations
Specification Regulation	Ofqual regulated	Pearson regulated
Certificates	Pearson Certificate with Ofqual Logo	Pearson Certificate without Ofqual Logo
Re-sit	Students are able to re-sit individual units	Students are able to re-sit individual units (the better of the last two attempts).
Syllabus	http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-a-levels.html	http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-international-advanced-levels.html

Changes to the current A Level qualification (GCE 2008)

The current AS and A Level are being reformed in stages. Subjects in the **first stage** are English Language, English Literature, English Language and Literature, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, History, Psychology, Art and Design, Business, Business Economics, Economics and Business, Computer Science and Sociology.

The **second stage** subjects include Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Languages, Geography, Design and Technology, Drama, Dance, Music, Physical Education and Religious Studies.

In the new A Level (**GCE 2015**), the AS qualification may not be used to obtain an A Level qualification. The AS and A Level qualifications are linear.

	2016	2017	2018
Current A Level (GCE 2008)	June 2016 Final summer exam series for current AS and A2 courses in first stage subjects	June 2017 Final summer exam series for current AS and A level second stage subjects	
First Stage Subjects New A Levels (GCE 2015)	June 2016 First exam series for new AS courses included in the first stage	June 2017 First exam series for new A level subjects included in the first stage	
Second Stage Subjects New A Levels (GCE 2015)		June 2017 First exam series for new AS subjects included in the second stage	June 2018 First exam series for new A level subjects in the second stage

Will the Edexcel International Advanced Level (IAL) Qualification Be Recognised by universities?

Edexcel International Advanced Level qualifications are already recognised by many leading universities in the UK and internationally.

The link below provides an up-to-date list of universities who recognise Edexcel's International Advanced Level (IAL) qualifications: <https://degreecoursefinder.pearson.com/#university>

How can I register for the Edexcel exam?

In order to sit for the examination, candidates must register with the British Council, Singapore by submitting the application form before the registration closing dates. Applications forms are available at our Customer Service Counter, Napier Road Centre. Alternatively, you may download the form from our website: www.britishcouncil.sg

You may submit your application form in person or by post. The full examination fee must be settled upon registration. If you register in person, you may pay by cash, NETS, cheque or credit card (Visa/Master). For application by post, cheque payments must be enclosed and posted to: Examinations Services, British Council, 30 Napier Road, Singapore 258509. All cheques must be crossed and made payable to "British Council (Singapore) Limited"

Operating hours at the British Council (Napier Road) are as follows:

Mondays to Friday from 10.00am to 6.30pm
Saturdays from 8.30am to 4.00pm
Closed on Sundays and Public Holidays

Does British Council have preparation courses?

No. The British Council is a private examination centre, and we do not conduct any preparation course leading to International GCSE, International Advanced Level, and GCE A Level examinations.

What kind of help and support is available to prepare for the examination?

Past years' papers are available for download from the Edexcel website: <http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/support-topics/exams/past-papers.html/student>

Alternatively, candidates may purchase copies of the current syllabuses, past year papers from Edexcel Publications from the following address:

<http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/support/published-resources.html>

Soft copies of the syllabuses are also downloadable in PDF format from the Edexcel website: <http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/home.html>

Withdrawal from examinations

No transfer or postponement of examinations from one session to another (eg. January to June).

No refund will be given for any reason including clashes of dates with local examinations, personal and holiday arrangements.

The British Council reserves the right to cancel any examination or to refuse applications. If the British Council cancels an examination, a full refund of the registration fee will be made to candidates.

Taking Examinations with British Council, Singapore

The British Council will notify candidates via email of the details of the examinations: date, time and venue two weeks before the examination starts. Candidates are to follow the schedule of the examinations issued by the British Council.

Results and Certificates

The British Council will issue the statement of results to candidates on the announced publication dates.

Examination in January session: Statement of Results will be issued in mid March.

Examination in May/June session: Statement of Results will be issued in mid August.

The statement of results is not a certificate.

The Certificates will be issued to the candidates two months after the Statement of Results are released. A certificate is awarded to candidates who achieve Grade E and above.

Candidates should note that they will receive certificates only if they cash-in their results. Candidates who decline their results will not get certificates.

Disclaimer

The British Council and the Examining Boards take all reasonable steps to provide continuity of service. We feel sure you will understand, however, that we cannot be held responsible for any interruptions caused by circumstances beyond our control. If examinations or their results are disrupted, cancelled or delayed, every effort will be made to resume normal service as soon as possible. The British Council's liability will be limited to the refund of the registration fee or re-testing at a later date.