

# 2018 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

Thursday 18 October to Friday 9 November

## Important information about your written examinations timetable

This document provides important information about your written HSC examinations. NESAs has already distributed details about oral examinations for languages, performance examinations and submitted works to schools. Find out more at [educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/hsc/key-dates-exam-timetables](http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/hsc/key-dates-exam-timetables).

## Your personal examination timetable

Your personal examination timetable is available from [studentonline.nesa.nsw.edu.au](http://studentonline.nesa.nsw.edu.au). This timetable lists your written examinations and where you will sit for them (usually at your school). It also lists any other examinations you are entered for, including oral examinations for languages, performance examinations and submitted works. Details of your performance examinations or projects such as title of work or category (supplied by your school) are also available via *Students Online*. If you are undertaking oral or performance examinations, we will post the time and venue on *Students Online* later this year. If there are errors or omissions in the examinations you are entered for, contact your school immediately to supply us with the correct information. Take special care if you are entered for a VET course that has an HSC examination. If the examination does not appear on your personal timetable, you have not been entered for it. You must be entered separately for the examination if you expect to sit for it.

## Preparing for your exams

When preparing for your exams, find out what to expect in the exam room and the exam paper, including where to write your answers. For each course you are studying, know the rules and requirements, and what to expect in each exam.

## Information about the HSC examinations

Make sure you have read and understand the *2018 Higher School Certificate Rules and Procedures* guide. You should have received a guide from your school and can also access it here: [educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/hsc/rules-procedures-guide-students](http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/hsc/rules-procedures-guide-students).

There are serious consequences for:

- cheating in an examination
- disobeying NESAs's rules for examination conduct
- not making a serious attempt across a range of questions in each examination.

Any of these offences may result in reduced marks, course cancellation or loss of your HSC.

The timetable's examination starting time is when reading time begins. Arrive at your examination venue well before the time specified. Further information about your HSC examinations is available on *Students Online*.

## Disability provisions

If you have a disability that affects reading examination questions or responding to them under examination conditions, your school can submit an application for provisions to help you. If you have not already done so, speak to your school if you think this applies to you.

## HSC exam equipment list

You should write in black pen. Make sure you bring spare pens to each examination. You may also bring a ruler, highlighters, pencils (at least 2B), a sharpener and a bottle of water in a clear bottle. Watches are permitted, but once you sit down in the examination room you must remove your watch and place it in clear view on your desk. Programmable watches, including smart watches, are NOT allowed in examination rooms.

The following list shows examinations that require specific equipment. Optional items listed can be used in exams but are not essential.

All equipment is subject to inspection on entry. Ensure any allowed equipment, such as a calculator, is in good working order because an appeal under misadventure provisions for equipment failure will not be upheld.

### What you cannot bring into your examination room

- ✗ A mobile phone. Mobile phones are not permitted in an examination room under any circumstances.
- ✗ A programmable watch such as a smart watch.
- ✗ Any electronic device (except a calculator where permitted). This includes mobile phones or other communication devices, organisers, tablets/iPads, music players or electronic dictionaries.
- ✗ Paper or any printed or written material (including your examination timetable).
- ✗ Dictionaries, except where permitted in language examinations.
- ✗ Correction fluid.

You are *not* allowed to borrow equipment during examinations.

### Equipment for specific HSC exams

This list details specific equipment that students are expected to bring for particular examinations. Only those examinations that require specific equipment are listed. For a list of NESA-approved calculators, please visit [educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/hsc/rules-and-processes/approved-calculators](https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/hsc/rules-and-processes/approved-calculators).

#### Agriculture

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Automotive (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Biology

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Business Services (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Business Studies

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Chemistry

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Construction (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Earth and Environmental Science

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator
- ✓ pair of compasses
- ✓ protractor
- ✓ set squares

#### Economics

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Electrotechnology (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Engineering Studies

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator
- ✓ pair of compasses
- ✓ protractor
- ✓ set squares
- ✓ (optional) circle templates including isometric/ellipse

#### Entertainment Industry (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Financial Services (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Geography

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator
- ✓ pair of dividers
- ✓ pair of compasses
- ✓ protractor
- ✓ coloured pencils and/or coloured felt pens
- ✓ (optional) a handheld magnifying glass
- ✓ (optional) a piece of string or thread for measuring

#### Hospitality (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Human Services (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Industrial Technology

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator
- ✓ pair of compasses
- ✓ protractor
- ✓ set squares

#### Information and Digital Technology (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Information Processes and Technology

Calculators are NOT permitted.

#### Latin

- ✓ Unannotated print dictionaries are permitted for Latin Continuers and Latin Extension

#### Mathematics General 2, Mathematics, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator
- ✓ pair of compasses
- ✓ protractor
- ✓ set squares
- ✓ (optional) a curve drawing template<sup>1</sup>

#### Metal and Engineering (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Modern Languages (Beginners, Continuers, Extension, [Languages] in Context, [Languages] and Literature)

- ✓ Any unannotated print dictionary

#### Physics

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator
- ✓ pair of compasses
- ✓ protractor
- ✓ set squares

#### Primary Industries (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Retail Services (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

#### Senior Science

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator
- ✓ pair of compasses
- ✓ protractor
- ✓ set squares

#### Software Design and Development

Calculators are NOT permitted.

#### Tourism, Travel and Events (VET)

- ✓ NESA-approved calculator

### Note:

<sup>1</sup> Students may take into any HSC mathematics examination, templates for drawing curves and geometrical figures, measuring, constructing, etc. Such templates may contain equations of simple curves (eg  $y = x^2$ ,  $y = \sin x$ ,  $y = \frac{1}{x}$ ) that can be drawn using the template, and decimal approximations (eg for pi, e), but no other printed formulae (eg sine rule, cosine rule, quadratic formulae, area and volume formulae). Acceptable templates include Mathomat, Mathomat Senior and (Non Formulae).

# 2018 HSC Written Exam Timetable • Week 1

	Monday 15 October	Tuesday 16 October	Wednesday 17 October	Thursday 18 October	Friday 19 October
	-	-	-	<b>HSC Day 1</b>	<b>HSC Day 2</b>
<b>AM</b>				<b>English (Standard) and English (Advanced)</b> Paper 1 10.20am–12.30pm  <b>English (ESL)</b> Paper 1 10.20am–12.00 noon	<b>English (Standard)</b> Paper 2 – Modules 9.25am–11.30am  <b>English (Advanced)</b> Paper 2 – Modules 9.25am–11.30am  <b>English (ESL)</b> Paper 2 – Modules 9.25am–10.30am*  <b>English (ESL)</b> Listening Paper 10.40am–11.10am
<b>PM</b>				<b>Primary Industries (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm  <b>Japanese Beginners</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm <b>Japanese Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm <b>Japanese in Context</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm  <b>Japanese and Literature</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm	<b>Music 1</b> Aural Skills 1.55pm–3.00pm*  <b>Music 2</b> Musicology and Aural Skills 3.25pm–5.00pm*

\* Approximate finishing time

# 2018 HSC Written Exam Timetable • Week 2

	Monday 22 October	Tuesday 23 October	Wednesday 24 October	Thursday 25 October	Friday 26 October
	HSC Day 3	HSC Day 4	HSC Day 5	HSC Day 6	HSC Day 7
<b>AM</b>	<b>Legal Studies</b> 9.25am–12.30pm	<b>Ancient History</b> 9.25am–12.30pm	<b>Biology</b> 9.25am–12.30pm	<b>Mathematics General 2</b> 9.25am–12 noon	<b>Senior Science</b> 9.25am–12.30pm
	<b>Arabic Continuers</b> 9.30am–12.30pm	<b>Financial Services (VET)</b> 9.25am–11.30am	<b>Classical Hebrew Continuers</b> 9.25am–12.30pm		<b>Chinese Extension</b> 9.30am–11.30am
	<b>Classical Hebrew Extension</b> 9.30am–11.30am	<b>Chinese in Context</b> 9.30am–12.10pm			
<b>PM</b>	<b>Latin Continuers</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm	<b>Agriculture</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm	<b>Construction (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm	<b>Mathematics</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm  <b>Mathematics Extension 2</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm	<b>Business Services (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm
	<b>Visual Arts</b> Art Criticism and Art History 1.55pm–3.30pm	<b>Classical Greek Continuers</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm	<b>Tourism, Travel and Events (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm		<b>History Extension</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm
	<b>Indonesian Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm	<b>Armenian Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>Arabic Beginners</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm		<b>Metal and Engineering (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm
	<b>Indonesian in Context</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>Croatian Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>Arabic Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm		<b>Chinese and Literature</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm
	<b>Indonesian and Literature</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm	<b>Dutch Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>Chinese Beginners</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm		<b>German Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm
	<b>Korean Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm	<b>Filipino Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>Chinese Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm		
		<b>Hindi Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>German Beginners</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm		
		<b>Hungarian Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>German Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm		
		<b>Italian Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm	<b>Indonesian Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm		
		<b>Japanese Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm	<b>Korean Beginners</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm		
		<b>Khmer Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm	<b>Malay Background Speakers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–5.00pm		
		<b>Macedonian Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Maltese Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Modern Greek Beginners</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Persian Background Speakers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–5.00pm			
		<b>Polish Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Portuguese Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Punjabi Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Russian Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Serbian Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Swedish Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Tamil Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Turkish Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			
		<b>Ukrainian Continuers</b> <sup>†</sup> 2.00pm–4.40pm			

<sup>†</sup> Collaborative Curriculum and Assessment Framework for Languages (CCAFL)

# 2018 HSC Written Exam Timetable • Week 3

	Monday 29 October	Tuesday 30 October	Wednesday 31 October	Thursday 1 November	Friday 2 November
	HSC Day 8	HSC Day 9	HSC Day 10	HSC Day 11	HSC Day 12
AM	<b>Modern History</b> 9.25am–12.30pm	<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Classical Greek Extension</b> 9.30am–11.30am	<b>Earth and Environmental Science</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Information Processes and Technology</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Indonesian Beginners</b> 9.30am–12.10pm <b>Korean in Context</b> 9.30am–12.10pm <b>Korean and Literature</b> 9.30am–12.30pm <b>Latin Extension</b> 9.30am–11.40am	<b>Aboriginal Studies</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Physics</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Spanish Beginners</b> 9.30am–12.10pm	<b>Business Studies</b> 9.25am–12.30pm
PM	<b>Society and Culture</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm <b>French Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm	<b>Mathematics Extension 1</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm	<b>English Extension 1</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm <b>Modern Greek Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm	<b>Hospitality (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm <i>Kitchen Operations and Cookery</i> <i>Food and Beverage</i>	<b>Software Design and Development</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm <b>Textiles and Design</b> 1.55pm–3.30pm <b>Modern Greek Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm <b>Spanish Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm

# 2018 HSC Written Exam Timetable • Week 4

	Monday 5 November	Tuesday 6 November	Wednesday 7 November	Thursday 8 November	Friday 9 November
	HSC Day 13	HSC Day 14	HSC Day 15	HSC Day 16	HSC Day 17
<b>AM</b>	<b>Automotive (VET)</b> 9.25am–11.30am <i>Vehicle Body</i> <i>Mechanical Technology</i> <b>Chemistry</b> 9.25am–12.30pm	<b>Studies of Religion I</b> 9.25am–11.00am <b>Studies of Religion II</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Vietnamese Continuers</b> 9.30am–12.30pm	<b>Dance Section I</b> Core Appreciation 9.25am–10.30am <b>Dance Section II</b> Major Study Appreciation 10.40am–12.00 noon <b>Economics</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Entertainment Industry (VET)</b> 9.25am–11.30am <b>Information and Digital Technology (VET)</b> 9.25am–11.30am <i>Digital animation</i> <i>Networking and hardware</i> <i>Web and software applications</i>	<b>Geography</b> 9.25am–12.30pm <b>Italian Beginners</b> 9.30am–12.10pm	<b>Design and Technology</b> 9.25am–11.00am
<b>PM</b>	<b>Community and Family Studies</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm <b>Electrotechnology (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm <b>Modern Hebrew Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm	<b>Engineering Studies</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm <b>Human Services (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm <b>Retail Services (VET)</b> 1.55pm–4.00pm <b>Italian Extension</b> 2.00pm–4.00pm	<b>Food Technology</b> 1.55pm–5.00pm <b>French Beginners</b> 2.00pm–4.40pm <b>French Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm <b>Spanish Continuers</b> 2.00pm–5.00pm	<b>Industrial Technology</b> 1.55pm–3.30pm <i>Automotive Technologies</i> <i>Electronics Technologies</i> <i>Graphics Technologies</i> <i>Metal and Engineering Technologies</i> <i>Multimedia Technologies</i> <i>Timber and Furniture Technologies</i>	<b>Drama</b> 12.25pm–2.00pm