

STUDENTS ENROLLED IN LEVEL 3 & 4 COURSES: GETTING PREPARED FOR 2022 WRITTEN EXAMS



*Some things go better
when you are prepared!*

Tips for Getting Prepared

1. Know your Course and how you are assessed

To do:

- ✓ refer to the [Course details on the TASC website](#)
- ✓ complete your class work and internal assessments
- ✓ see the infosheet [Understanding Assessment](#)
- ✓ watch the video [Understanding Year 11-12 ratings & awards](#).

2. Be familiar with your external assessment and assessment rules

To do:

- ✓ look up the previous exam papers and assessment reports (refer to the [Course details on the TASC website](#) and locate the exam papers and reports in the Course Document under the heading 'Supporting Documents')
- ✓ talk with your teacher about the external assessment for your course
- ✓ read the *Student Exam Guide*. In Term 3, your school will provide you with the printed guide including the exam timetables and assessment rules.

3. Practice (and ask for help) to master the skills and knowledge you need

To do:

- ✓ use your mid-year exams to prepare for exam conditions
- ✓ use the resources available such as past exam papers and information on [Study Tips](#) and [Managing Exam Stress](#)
- ✓ ask for any help and support you need to feel confident and prepared.

4. Stay cool, calm and focussed during your exam

To do:

- ✓ have your Notice of Enrolment 'pink slip' with you
- ✓ follow the Exam Supervisor's instructions
- ✓ use the preparation time at the start of the exam to review what is in the exam paper and make notes
- ✓ plan your approach to the exam on the notes sheet provided (remembering the notes sheet isn't marked)
- ✓ read all exam questions carefully to make sure you answer them correctly and in full
- ✓ use the entire working time for your exam (checking your responses if you finish early.)

See the next page for key things to be aware of for the 2022 exams

2022 Written Exams

There are no major changes to the 2022 written exam papers or to how the exams are conducted.

There are minor changes to some aspects that you should note:

- **Reading time is being refocused as 'preparation time'**

The first 15 minutes of a written exam will be called 'preparation time'. This time is important for you to settle, review what is in the exam paper, and make plans on how you are going to approach the exam.

During preparation time you can highlight and take notes, but you should not start completing the exam paper / answer booklet until the working time starts.

During preparation time, DO...	During preparation time, DON'T...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Read the exam paper / answer booklet- Highlight or underline key words or information- Make notes on the provided note paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Write any text or numerals (or any part of an exam answer) in the exam paper / answer booklet- Use a calculator- Start writing your answers on the paper/booklet before the supervisor has instructed you that working time has started

As this is a change to how exams have previously been conducted, TASC won't apply penalties for commencing working time early (for 2022 only). However, you are expected to follow the instructions of the exam supervisor and will be approached by a supervisor and reminded to not start writing your answers on the exam paper/booklet until the working time has started.

Use the allocated preparation time as intended to benefit you in correctly understanding questions and having well-structured answers that can be awarded the highest marks. The exam paper is designed to be comfortably completed during the allocated working time (either 2 or 3 hours depending on the exam).

- **One consistent term for exam paper parts/sections**

Any division of an exam paper will be called a 'section'. Previously if an exam paper was split up, it was called either a 'section' or a 'part'. You can see examples of what this change will look like with modified versions of last year's exam papers available for [Business Studies](#), [Economics](#), [Computer Graphics and Design](#), [Electronics](#) and [Legal Studies](#).

- **Updated Information sheets**

The information sheets that are provided with the exam papers for [Chemistry](#), [Electronics](#) and [Physical Sciences](#) have minor updates.

More information:

- Your course teacher can provide information about your external assessment and preparing for exams.
- If you have a TASC enquiry, phone (03) 6165 6000, or submit an enquiry at www.tasc.tas.gov.au/contact/