

GCSE & GCE Film Studies

Newsletter - April 2023

This Spring bulletin provides some important information, dates, deadlines and resources developed by EDUQAS to support you with the delivery of our specifications this academic year. I hope that you are able to make use of these over the coming weeks and months.

CPD Events

There were a number of face-to-face and online CPD events held in the Autumn Term and the new year. For more information on upcoming events check out our [Professional Learning](#) webpage.

The materials produced for all CPD events are now available on the secure website: *Resources > Subject specific support material inc CPD and Exemplars > - Filters: Subject>Film Studies, Level>GCSE or GCE, Type of Document> CPD, Brand>Eduqas*

Past Papers and Mark Schemes

The 2022 Summer Past Papers are available on the Secure Website, under the following tabs: *Resources>Past Papers and Mark Schemes - Filters: Subject>Film Studies, Level>GCSE or GCE, Type of Document> Past Papers, Brand>Eduqas*

NEA Exemplar

New NEA Exemplar from the 2022 Cohort is now available on the secure website: *Resources > Subject specific support material inc CPD and Exemplars > - Filters: Subject>Film Studies, Level>GCSE or GCE, Type of Document> Exemplar Materials, Brand>Eduqas*

Key exam dates:

GCSE Film Studies Component 1 exam: Thursday 18th May

GCSE Film Studies Component 2 exam: Friday 26th May

AS Film Studies Component 1 exam: Wednesday 17th May

AS Film Studies Component 2 exam: Tuesday 23rd May

AL Film Studies Component 1 exam: Wednesday 24th May

AL Film Studies Component 2 exam: Monday 5th June

NEA administration and deadlines:

Deadlines and uploading:

- All samples must be uploaded to **Surpass**:
https://www.eduqas.co.uk/media/ocbj0gvh/e-submission_centre_guide_2022-2023.pdf
- GCSE Film NEA deadline: 5th May
- AS and AL Film deadline: 15th May
- We recommend you have everything uploaded at least a little in advance of the deadline so you have time to resolve any potential tech issues before the final deadline.
- The maximum file upload size is **600mb** – videos can be compressed for moderation purposes.
- File types accepted are mp4, mov, avi, doc, pdf

Annotations:

- Ensure there are annotations on all written work submitted.

Cover sheets:

- Ensure **all** pages of the **cover sheet** are completed, especially which **brief** has been chosen by the candidate –ensure only **one** is chosen.
- The candidate **must** sign the declaration. Failure to do this could constitute maladministration/malpractice.
- State clearly how and where marks are awarded with comments from the assessment criteria.
- If there were any notes regarding safeguarding issues that might be perceived as an issue to the moderator, but were not in actuality, these should be highlighted on the cover sheet where relevant.

Evaluative analysis:

- Ensure word counts are met and provided on the work.
- State any penalty given if the work is too far under the word count.

AS and AL Film Studies – Specification changes for first teaching from September 2023

A reminder that new texts for AS and A Level Film Studies will come into effect for first teaching in September 2023, first assessment Summer 2024 (AS), Summer 2025 (AL). We notified centres of changes to the specification by circular to Exams Officers on 15 February 2023 and the specification on the website is now updated. An updated Guidance for Teachers will be uploaded to the website in Summer 2023.

Updated AS specification:

<https://www.wjec.co.uk/media/mlzpn3oz/eduqas-as-film-studies-spec-from-2017-e-10-02-2023.pdf>

Updated AL specification:

<https://www.wjec.co.uk/media/3akhzux0/eduqas-a-level-film-studies-spec-from-2017-e-10-02-2023.pdf>

AS and AL Film Studies – resources for new films

Blended Learning

Blended learning resources for Comp2, Section A are currently in development for all the global films. The following are now live with more to follow in the coming weeks:

[Pan's Labyrinth](#)

[Roma](#)

[Mustang](#)

[Portrait of a Lady on Fire](#)

[Parasite](#)

[A Fantastic Woman](#)

[Another Round](#)

Factsheets

Factsheets for the new films can be found here:

[Comp 1 Section A \(Hollywood Comparison\)](#)

[Comp 1 Section B \(American Film\)](#)

[Comp 1 Section C \(British Cinema\)](#)

[Comp 2 Section A \(Global\)](#)

[Comp 2 Section B \(Documentary\)](#)

[Comp 2 Section D \(Experimental\)](#)