WJEC Level 3 Business Newsletter (New Specification – Wales only)
April 2024

Welcome back to a new term and the excitement of the summer exam season. We hope you had a restful break over Easter, and that you and your students are feeling refreshed and ready for the run up to summer. To help with your planning and preparation, we have included some general and subject-specific updates and information to help get you and your students off to a successful start.

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1. Latest news

The NEA submission deadline date is the 15th May. So, make sure you enter and submit marks at least a few days before this date to give you time to upload the work.

Once the marks are entered on the Portal, click the submission button. The system will then tell you which work should be included in the sample.

It is important that the work is uploaded on time. Please contact WJEC if there is any reason that this deadline date cannot be met.

Candidate and assessor packs are on the Portal. The Assessment Record Form, Candidate Declaration Form and Time sheet must be signed and uploaded with the work. Please upload all work as either one complete document, or one document for the report and one document for the research and ensure work is annotated by the teacher.

2. Why not become an examiner or moderator?

Becoming an examiner or moderator will not only reward you financially but will give you valuable insight into the assessment process whilst enhancing your skills and deepening your understanding of the new Level 3 business specification; all of which can improve your teaching and delivery. You can find out more at the following link: http://www.wjec.co.uk/appointees/.

3. Professional Learning Autumn 2024

During autumn 2024, our Professional Learning programme will include a free online review of the Summer 2024 exam and moderation series. This will be a twilight session, 4-6pm, the date will be communicated on our website in the summer term. Don't forget to sign up.

The link for the previous online event can be accessed here: Level 3 Business (wjec.co.uk)

4. Key Dates

Examination dates and other key dates for the upcoming academic year are available in the timetable which can be found in the following link:
Key Dates & Timetables (wjec.co.uk)

5. Principal Examiners' reports

The first Principal Examiners' and Moderators' Report will be available from results day. We recommend you read these carefully as they offer helpful observations and commentary on candidates' performance this series that could help future learners moving forward.

6. Key documents

There is a range of material available on the Key Documents page. This includes the specification, sample assessment material, guidance for teaching.

7. Past papers and mark schemes

The Summer 2024 Unit 1 exam paper and mark scheme will be available to centres on Portal. From results day. These will only be available on the secure site until the year following the exam in line with our publication policy. From the year after the exam, they will then be made available on the public website.

8. Facebook group

We have a Facebook page for teachers delivering WJEC or WJEC Eduqas Business (GCSE & GCE). The group is monitored by Stephen Oliver, WJEC Business subject officer. On this page, teachers are encouraged to share resources, advice and subject-related news to help fellow group members. Please note, content uploaded is not endorsed by WJEC and is the responsibility of the group member. Search on Facebook for WJEC and WJEC Eduqas Business Teacher Network.