
Entry fees and other charges

Autumn 2020

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Guidance on our fees and when they apply.

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Providing high quality assessments that are fair, reliable, and support students in their educational journey

Everyone has the potential to achieve, so we make sure that our qualifications give all students the opportunity to show what they can do and progress to the next stage of their lives. Our qualifications are designed for students of all abilities and are highly valued by employers and universities and taught in more than 40 countries around the world.

We are the largest provider of academic qualifications taught in schools and colleges. We work with around 27,000 teachers, lecturers, subject experts and academics who help set and mark our exams.

Born out of five leading universities, we have over a century of qualifications expertise. Our predecessor exam boards came into existence to provide an opportunity for young people from a range of backgrounds to access education and make the most of their potential. This commitment to social mobility remains at the heart of AQA's charitable purpose, which is to advance education by enabling teachers and students to realise their potential.

As an independent charity, any income we make gets invested back into qualifications and assessment. This enables us to offer a broad range of qualifications and to protect the integrity and security of our assessments. It also funds other educational services, such as assessment research that benefits teachers and students.

Autumn 2020 exam fees

As an education charity, here to help young people progress to the next stage of their lives, we have no wish to gain financially from this summer's exceptional circumstances. We promised that, if our costs for this summer were less than a normal year, we'd pass the savings back to schools, and we did.

While we normally review our fees before the start of each new school year, we're pleased to say that we're keeping our current entry fees frozen for the autumn series.

We hope that the partial refund of the entry fees for this summer will be more than enough to cover the cost of any entries you'll be making for exams in the autumn.

As Ofqual hasn't yet confirmed the arrangements for next summer's exams, we'll be in touch about fees for 2021 later in the year.

Supporting good teaching and learning

We enable great teaching and learning by investing in our qualifications and a wide range of resources, support and services through our family of companies, Exampro and Testbase.

Exampro and Testbase question banks have been used in primary and secondary schools throughout the country for more than 20 years. Exampro provides teachers with easy access to AQA past questions and ready-made resources for use in school-based assessment. MERiT enables schools to make the best use of AQA mock exams with useful comparative performance data and reports.

To find out more about what we do, visit our website at [aqa.org.uk/about-us](https://www.aqa.org.uk/about-us)

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Entry details

Dates and explanation of charges

Basedata

Basedata is specification, fees and timetable information in the inter-board common format. It is designed to be imported into school or college administration software. Please see aqa.org.uk/basedata

Entry deadline

The final date for entries to be received by us before additional charges are applied.

Entry fee

The fee is charged in full for each entry.

Late entry fee

Charged for each entry for a **new** student received after the entries deadline for each exam series. This fee is 100 % of the original entry fee and is in addition to the entry fee.

Very late entry fee

Charged for each very late entry for a **new** student received from the date specified for each exam series (see table of key dates on page 5). This fee is 150 % of the original entry fee and in addition to the entry fee.

Amendment fee

Charged for each amendment to entries for an **existing** student made from the date specified for each exam series (see table of key dates on page 5). This fee is 100 % of the original entry fee and is in addition to the entry fee for any new entry.

Withdrawn students

Entry fees will be refunded for each entry withdrawn by schools/colleges before the date specified for each exam series (see table of key dates on page 5). **Late, very late and amendment fees are not refunded.** No refunds are made for those withdrawn after these dates (except on medical grounds, where partial refunds will be considered) or where students are simply absent from the exam. Any request for a partial refund of fees must be accompanied by satisfactory supporting medical evidence. Fees paid cannot be carried forward from one exam or series to another.

Late awards (aggregations)

Subject award entries will be accepted without additional fees during the four week period immediately following the publication of results until the closing date for review of results (previously known as enquiries about results).

Retrospective or very late awards

After the closing date for review of results (four weeks after the results are published) requests for an award (aggregation) in that series or any previous series will incur an additional fee of £48.00 per student per subject award to be aggregated.

Table of key dates

Below is a table of key dates for exam series and the dates on which fees will be applied and charged.

Series		Basedata available	Entry deadline	Late entry fee applies from	Very late entry fee applies after	Amendment fee applies after	Withdrawn entries will not be refunded after
November	BA20	12 August 2020	4 September 2020	5 September 2020	25 September 2020	25 September 2020	25 September 2020
November	BB20	19 August 2020	18 September 2020	19 September 2020	9 October 2020	9 October 2020	9 October 2020
November	BG20	19 August 2020	4 October 2020	5 October 2020	25 October 2020	25 October 2020	25 October 2020

Transferred students

Where a student takes an exam at a 'host' school/college, ie not the school/college at which he/she is entered, a transferred student fee is charged for all components per student.

Transferred student group request fees only apply if all students in the group are being transferred to the same 'host' school/college.

The table below shows the deadlines for transferred students.

Please note: **late requests will be charged at 100 % in addition to the regular fee** as stated on page 4.

Series		On time request deadline	Late requests charged from
November	BA20	7 September 2020	8 September 2020
November	BB20	5 October 2020	6 October 2020
November	BG20	5 October 2020	6 October 2020

[Link to fees section](#)

GCSE specifications

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Art and Design (Art, craft and design)	Full course	8201E	£36.50
Art and Design (Fine art)	Full course	8202E	£36.50
Art and Design (Graphic communication)	Full course	8203E	£36.50
Art and Design (Textile design)	Full course	8204E	£36.50
Art and Design (Three-dimensional design)	Full course	8205E	£36.50
Art and Design (Photography)	Full course	8206E	£36.50
Bengali (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8638F	£49.95
		8638H	
Biology (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8461F	£36.50
		8461H	
Business	Full course	8132	£38.70
Chemistry (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8462F	£36.50
		8462H	
Chinese (Spoken Mandarin) (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8673F	£49.95
		8673H	
Citizenship Studies	Full course	8100	£38.70
Combined Science: Synergy (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8465F	£73.00
		8465H	
Combined Science: Trilogy (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8464F	£73.00
		8464H	

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Computer Science	Full course	8520	£36.50
Dance	Full course	8236	£38.70
Design and Technology	Full course	8552	£36.50
Drama	Full course	8261	£38.70
Economics	Full course	8136	£38.70
Engineering	Full course	8852	£49.95
English Language	Full course	8700	£38.70
English Literature	Full course	8702	£36.50
Food Preparation and Nutrition	Full course	8585	£36.50
French (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8658F	£38.70
		8658H	
Geography	Full course	8035	£38.70
German (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8668F	£38.70
		8668H	
History	Full course (**denotes paper options)	8145**	£38.70
Italian (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8633F	£49.95
		8633H	
Mathematics (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8300F	£36.50
		8300H	
Media Studies	Full course	8572	£38.70

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Modern Hebrew (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8678F	£49.95
		8678H	
Music	Full course	8271	£38.70
Panjabi (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8683F	£49.95
		8683H	
Physical Education	Full course	8582	£38.70
Physics (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8463F	£36.50
		8463H	
Polish (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8688F	£49.95
		8688H	
Psychology	Full course	8182	£38.70
Religious Studies	Short course	8061A	£27.10
		8061B	
		8061C	
		8061D	
		8061E	
		8061F	
Religious Studies A	Full course (**denotes paper options)	8062**	£38.70
Religious Studies B	Full course	8063XA	£38.70
		8063XB	
		8063YA	
		8063YB	

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Sociology	Full course	8192	£38.70
Spanish (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8698F	£38.70
		8698H	
Statistics (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8382F	£38.70
		8382H	
Urdu (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8648F	£49.95
		8648H	

AS and A-level specifications

Specification	Course	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Accounting	AS		7126		£62.50
	A-level		7127		£100.55
Art and Design (Art, craft and design)	AS		7241E		£50.75
	A-level		7201E		£83.65
Art and Design (Fine art)	AS		7242E		£50.75
	A-level		7202E		£83.65
Art and Design (Graphic communication)	AS		7243E		£50.75
	A-level		7203E		£83.65
Art and Design (Textile design)	AS		7244E		£50.75
	A-level		7204E		£83.65
Art and Design (Three-dimensional design)	AS		7245E		£50.75
	A-level		7205E		£83.65
Art and Design (Photography)	AS		7246E		£50.75
	A-level		7206E		£83.65
Bengali	A-level		7637		£112.55
	AS – Special series re-sit only opportunity	1	BENG1	£56.85	£56.85
		Award	1636	£0.00	
	A2 – Special series re-sit only opportunity	2	BENG2	£55.75	£112.60
Award		2636	£0.00		
Biblical Hebrew	A-level		7677		£112.55
Biology	AS		7401		£50.75
	A-level		7402		£89.65

Specification	Course	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Business	AS		7131		£62.50
	A-level		7132		£83.65
Chemistry	AS		7404		£50.75
	A-level		7405		£89.65
Computer Science	AS		7516A		£62.50
			7516B		
			7516C		
			7516D		
			7516E		
	A-level		7517A		£83.65
			7517B		
			7517C		
			7517D		
			7517E		
Dance	AS		7236		£70.15
	A-level		7237		£127.60
Design and Technology – Fashion and Textiles	AS		7561		£116.55
	A-level		7562		£196.05
Design and Technology – Product Design	AS		7551		£116.55
	A-level		7552		£196.05
Drama and Theatre	AS		7261		£70.15
	A-level		7262		£127.60
Economics	AS		7135		£62.50
	A-level		7136		£83.65

Specification	Course	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
English Language and Literature	AS		7706		£50.75
	A-level		7707		£83.65
English Language	AS		7701		£50.75
	A-level		7702		£83.65
English Literature A	AS		7711		£50.75
	A-level		7712A		£83.65
			7712B		
English Literature B	AS		7716AA		£50.75
			7716AB		
			7716BA		
			7716BB		
	A-level		7717AA		£83.65
			7717AB		
			7717BA		
Environmental Science	AS		7446		£70.15
	A-level		7447		£127.60
French	AS		7651T		£62.50
	A-level		7652T		£100.55

Specification	Course	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Further Mathematics	AS		7366DS		£62.50
			7366SM		
			7366MD		
	A-level		7367DS		£116.45
			7367SM		
			7367MD		
Geography	AS		7036		£50.75
	A-level		7037		£100.55
German	AS		7661T		£62.50
	A-level		7662T		£100.55
History	AS (**denotes paper options)		7041**		£50.75
	A-level (**denotes paper options)		7042**		£83.65
Law	AS		7161		£62.50
	A-level		7162A		£100.55
			7162B		
Mathematics	AS		7356		£62.50
	A-level		7357		£116.45
Media Studies	AS		7571		£62.50
	A-level		7572		£100.55

Specification	Course	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Modern Hebrew	A-level		7672		£112.55
	AS – Special series re-sit only opportunity	1	MHEB1	£56.85	£56.85
		Award	1676	£0.00	
	A2 – Special series re-sit only opportunity	2	MHEB2	£55.75	£112.60
Award		2676	£0.00		
Music	AS		7271		£62.50
	A-level		7272		£100.55
Punjabi	A-level		7682		£112.55
	AS – Special series re-sit only opportunity	1	PANJ1	£56.85	£56.85
		Award	1681	£0.00	
	A2 – Special series re-sit only opportunity	2	PANJ2	£55.75	£112.60
Award		2681	£0.00		
Philosophy	AS		7171		£62.50
	A-level		7172		£100.55
Physical Education	AS		7581		£62.50
	A-level		7582		£100.55
Physics	AS		7407		£50.75
	A-level		7408A		£89.65
			7408B		
			7408C		
			7408D		
			7408E		

Specification	Course	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Polish	A-level		7687		£112.55
	AS – Special series re-sit only opportunity	1	PLSH1	£56.85	£56.85
		Award	1686	£0.00	
	A2 – Special series re-sit only opportunity	2	PLSH2	£55.75	£112.60
Award		2686	£0.00		
Politics	AS		7151		£62.50
	A-level		7152		£100.55
Psychology	AS		7181		£50.75
	A-level		7182		£83.65
Religious Studies	AS		7061A		£62.50
			7061B		
			7061C		
			7061D		
			7061E		
	A-level		7062A		£100.55
			7062B		
			7062C		
			7062D		
			7062E		
Sociology	AS		7191		£50.75
	A-level		7192		£83.65
Spanish	AS		7691T		£62.50
	A-level		7692T		£100.55

Functional skills specifications

Specification	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Functional English Level 1	1 – Reading	8720R	£9.80	£29.45
	2 – Writing	8720W	£9.80	
	3 – Speaking	8720S	£9.85	
	Award	8721	£0.00	
Functional English Level 2	1 – Reading	8725R	£9.80	£29.45
	2 – Writing	8725W	£9.80	
	3 – Speaking	8725S	£9.85	
	Award	8726	£0.00	
Functional Mathematics Level 1		8361	£29.45	£29.45
Functional Mathematics Level 2		8362	£29.45	£29.45

AQA Certificates

Specification	Course	Entry code	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Mathematical Studies	Level 3	1350A	£48.80	£48.80
		1350B	£48.80	
		1350C	£48.80	

Level 3 Extended Project

Specification	Course	Entry code	Fee per unit
Extended Project	Level 3	7993	£57.25

Unit Award Scheme (UAS)

1 – 59 students – participation fee per student	£21.80
60 – 299 students – participation fee per student	£16.05
300 + students – participation fee per student	£14.60
The participation fee includes all Unit Award Scheme certificates	
Replacement Unit Award Scheme certificate	£6.80
INSET fee per person attending a live AQA organised meeting – (online/face to face)	£214.40
INSET fee per full day meeting at a school/college for up to 10 attendees	£996.80
INSET fee per full day meeting at a school/college for 11 to 20 attendees	£1,141.70
One off registration fee	£399.85

Other charges (GCSE and A-level)

Annual administration fee for overseas school/colleges (The fee is charged as a single fee, irrespective of the number of exam levels offered or entries made)	£1,021.05
Application administration fee for independent, private and overseas school/colleges (The fee is charged as a single fee, irrespective of the number of exam levels offered or entries made)	£227.90
Certifying letters	£43.00
Replacement certificate	£43.00
Overseas school/college inspection fee	£227.90

Transferred students

This is a one-off fee for all components per student.

Students sitting an exam in the UK

Single student	£36.10
Group request two to five students	£72.20
Group request above five students	£108.30

Students sitting an exam outside the UK

Single student	£72.20
Group request two to five students	£144.40
Group request above five students	£216.60