# Memo

## Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority

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# Retirement of low-candidature General (Senior External Examination ((SEE)) syllabuses

## **Purpose**

To update school communities about the retirement of the General (SEE) syllabuses for Ancient History, Chemistry and Physics at the conclusion of 2023.

## **Background**

The QCAA has considered current subject offerings, enrolment data and development and maintenance costs of General (SEE) subjects with low enrolments. These criteria are set out in the QCAA policy document, Developing, maintaining and revising senior syllabuses: Criteria for decision-making.

#### Information

The QCAA Board has given approval to retire three low-candidature syllabuses:

- Ancient History General (Senior External Examination) Syllabus 2019
- Chemistry General (Senior External Examination) Syllabus 2019
- Physics General (Senior External Examination) Syllabus 2019.

These three syllabuses will not be offered after 31 December 2023.

These syllabuses and supporting resources will be removed from the QCAA website and QCAA Portal by 31 January 2024.

#### Support for schools

The QCAA will support schools currently teaching these General (SEE) syllabuses to transition to the relevant General subject by contacting schools directly and providing professional learning with QCAA officers.



# What you need to do

Schools need to:

- ensure that this information is communicated to Ancient History General (SEE), Chemistry General (SEE) and Physics General (SEE) teachers
- · decide on 2024 subject offerings
- use the QCAA Student Management application to enrol 2024 students in the relevant General syllabuses
- access the relevant support from QCAA Principal Education Officers (PEO) via the syllabus contact list.

# Finding out more

Please email Dylan Roche at adminseniorcurriculum@gcaa.qld.edu.au, or phone (07) 3864 0506.

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