

Memo

Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority

1 March 2017

Senior secondary

Number: 014/17

Year 11 external assessment trial — marker applications

Purpose

To invite eligible teachers to apply to mark student responses in the Year 11 external assessment trial in Term 2, 2017.

Background

In October 2016, the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) announced that the trial of external assessment would be extended in Semester 1, 2017 to include the senior subjects of English, French, Japanese, Mathematics B, Physical Education and Visual Art (Memo [072/16](#)).

External assessment trials will be conducted in Term 2, 2017 and successful applicants must attend a training day in Brisbane before marking online at home.

Eligibility to mark

Teachers experienced in the relevant current Queensland senior syllabus for Years 11 and 12 are encouraged to apply. The QCAA is committed to engaging markers from around the state.

Applicants must:

- be a registered (or previously registered) teacher
- be familiar with the **current senior syllabus** through their experience of teaching Year 11 and/or Year 12
- be able to apply their understanding of assessment criteria and standards
- successfully complete training and contribute to the marking process
- teach or live in Queensland
- meet the ICT requirements for marking at home using an online system.

Senior markers will also be appointed through the marker application process. Applicants will be notified and offered appointment to senior marker positions. At that time, the complete senior marker commitment will be explained.

Markers are engaged as casual employees of QCAA and will be paid for training and marking. Payment rate details will be available prior to marker training. School-based markers who are released on the Teacher Relief Scheme (TRS) for training will only be paid for marking.

Training and marking schedule

Markers must attend a mandatory one-day training session before marking online at home. All successful applicants are required to complete an online marker training task. They may also be required to complete online preparation tasks prior to the training day.

Subject	Training date	Marking operation	Venue
English Markers will be allocated to a venue on appointment.	Monday 5 June 2017	6 June – 11 June 2017	Cliftons Level 3, 288 Edward Street Brisbane and Karstens Level 24, 215 Adelaide Street Brisbane
French	Tuesday 6 June 2017	7 June – 10 June 2017	Cliftons Level 3, 288 Edward Street Brisbane
Japanese	Tuesday 6 June 2017	7 June – 10 June 2017	
Mathematics B	Wednesday 7 June 2017	8 June – 13 June 2017	
Physical Education	Thursday 8 June 2017	9 June – 13 June 2017	
Visual Art	Thursday 8 June 2017	9 June – 13 June 2017	

Professional development

Training contributes to continuing professional development points. Training has relevance to elements five and six of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers.

ICT requirements

All marking will be completed online at home. Marker applicants who are unable to meet the ICT requirements cannot be considered for training and marking.

Applicants should check the specifications, which are available on the QCAA website at www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/new-snr-assessment-te/marker-applications, before submitting an application.

Travel and accommodation

Markers who live more than 80 kilometres (one way) from the training venue will be eligible for paid travel and accommodation. Detailed information will be available at the time of appointment.

How to apply

Applications open Wednesday 1 March and close on Friday 17 March. Applicants submit their application online at www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/MAO/login.jsp. To log in, applicants must have a BIC (Brief Identification Code, also called a user ID).

Applicants who do not have a BIC can create one at www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/secure_site/logon/create_account.jsp.

Finding out more

For more information, visit the QCAA website at: www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/new-snr-assessment-te/marker-applications, email Assessment Operations Unit at seamarker@qcaa.qld.edu.au, or phone 3864 0213.

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