



OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES  
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**Important changes to 2010 Higher School Certificate Assessment**

Dear Principal

Please ensure that Head Teachers and all other relevant staff are reminded that changes to assessment components and/or weightings apply to the following HSC courses from 2010.

**Courses with new HSC assessment components and weightings from 2010**

<p>Ancient History Biology Business Studies Chemistry Community and Family Studies Drama Earth and Environmental Science Economics English Extension 1 English Extension 2</p>	<p>Geography History Extension Industrial Technology Modern History PDHPE Physics Senior Science Society and Culture Studies of Religion I Studies of Religion II Textiles and Design</p>	<p><u>Languages</u> Arabic Extension Chinese Extension French Extension German Extension Indonesian Extension Italian Extension Japanese Extension Modern Greek Extension Spanish Extension</p>
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Assessment programs used to determine the HSC internal assessment mark must comply with the components and component weightings specified in the course-specific **Assessment and Reporting** documents which are available on the Board's website at:  
[www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/syllabus\\_hsc](http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/syllabus_hsc)

Sample Assessment Schedules are also available to assist teachers to construct school assessment schedules that are consistent with the Board's internal assessment requirements.

For further information regarding changes to HSC assessment requirements, please contact Chris Thompson, Head, Assessment Unit, on (02) 9367 8069, or email:  
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Yours sincerely

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