Proposed changes to Music 1 HSC examination specifications and assessment requirements

This page should be considered in the context of the Background Paper (available on the Board’s website at http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/syllabus_hsc/exam-proposals/).

The proposed HSC examination specifications and assessment requirements for Music 1 are outlined below. You are encouraged to comment via the feedback link at the end of this document. Comments should be sent no later than 28 October 2008.

Outline of proposed HSC examination specifications

Written examination (40 marks)

A written examination of approximately one hour including 10 minutes reading and planning time.

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<td>The examination will consist of four short-answer questions. Each question may consist of several parts. The questions will relate to musical excerpts broadly reflecting the range of topics offered for study.</td>
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Practical examination – Performance (15 marks)

Electives (45 marks)

Students are examined in three electives – 15 marks each.

Changes from current examination specifications

The time allowed for the written examination includes 10 minutes for reading and planning.

The written examination is worth 40 marks and the practical components (core performance and three electives) are worth 15 marks.

Outline of proposed internal assessment requirements

There are no changes to the components and weightings. There will be four assessment tasks.

A feedback form is available on the Board’s website at http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/syllabus_hsc/exam-proposals/feedback-form.doc