Media Studies Newsletter, September 2018

Welcome back to a new year. We hope you had a great summer break!

CONTENTS

1. Course Materials and Resources
2. Exam requirements
   a. GCSE
   b. AS/A Level
3. Non-Exam Assessment
4. Non-Exam Assessment Submission
5. Eduqas Media Studies Centre Map
6. CPD
7. Twitter
8. FAQs

COURSE MATERIALS AND RESOURCES

The Eduqas Media Studies webpages for GCSE and AS/A Level includes the specification and sample assessment materials. Other key documents to support delivery can be accessed on both pages under 'All Course Materials'.

Full Guidance for Teaching is available for each course and they include example course outlines, resources/reading lists, approaches to teaching and much more.

Resources to support the delivery of all components can be accessed under 'Digital Resources' on each webpage or on the Eduqas Resources Website.

A new textbook published by Illuminate Publishing is now available. Further details can be found on the Illuminate Publishing website.

The secure website includes a range of materials to support teaching, including materials from previous CPD events, past exam papers and mark schemes and non-exam assessment briefs. You will need a user name and password from your Exams Officer to access the secure website.

EXAM REQUIREMENTS

GCSE
Centres are required to provide clean, unannotated copies of the set products for Section A for use in the Component 1 exam. Centres may wish to laminate these copies and keep a set for use in future exams.

The Eduqas GCSE Media Studies Set Products booklet can be downloaded from the Eduqas GCSE Media Studies webpage under 'All Course Materials'. This booklet includes all set products for Component 1 Section A, as well as transcripts for The Guardian and the Sun front covers and the Quality Street advert.
The Eduqas AS/A Level Media Studies Set Products booklets for Component 1, Section A and Component 2, Section B can be downloaded from the Eduqas AS/A Media Studies webpage under 'All Course Materials'. These booklets include all print-based set products, as well as a transcript for The Daily Mirror article (Component 1, Section A).

**AS/A LEVEL**

In response to feedback from teachers and Exams Officers, we have made a minor amendment to the assessment of Component 1, Section A. In the Component 1 examination, across Section A as a whole, there will always be one unseen audio-visual resource and one unseen print-based resource; Question 1 will relate to the audio-visual resource and Question 2 will relate to the print-based resource.

A revised version of the specifications, Version 2 August 2018, can be found on the Eduqas website. The changes are detailed on page 22 of the A level specification and page 20 of the AS level specification.

**NON-EXAM ASSESSMENT**

The NEA briefs for GCSE Media Studies Component 3 for assessment in summer 2019 are available on the secure website (www.wjecservices.co.uk) under ‘resources’ and ‘NEA tasks’. Teachers need a user name and password provided by their Exams Officer, and permissions for all areas of the site, to access the briefs.

The GCSE NEA briefs for assessment in summer 2019 were published on the secure website on 1st March 2018. The GCSE NEA briefs for Component 3 for assessment in summer 2020 will be released on 1st March 2019, and will be available on the secure website.

The A Level NEA briefs for assessment in summer 2019 were published on the secure website on 1st March 2018. The A Level briefs for assessment in summer 2020 will be published on the secure website on 1st March 2019, and will be available on the Secure Website.

The AS Level briefs for assessment in summer 2019 were published on the secure website on 1st September 2018.

**CENTRES ARE REMINDED THAT THE NEA BRIEFS IN THE SAMPLE ASSESSMENT MATERIALS (SAMS) ARE EXAMPLES AND ARE NOT TO BE USED FOR ACTUAL ASSESSMENT.**

**NON-EXAM ASSESSMENT SUBMISSION**

Please be aware that there is an e-submission system for the submission of NEA work for the new specification. Further information will be provided at CPD and Exams Officers have been sent a circular with the necessary information. Information is also available on the Exams Officer area of the WJEC website in related documents.

Coversheets, including the templates for the Statement of Aims, for Component 3 are available to download from the either the Eduqas GCSE Media Studies webpage or the AS/A Level Media Studies webpage under 'All Course Materials'.

Please be aware that there is a new version of the coversheet, which has been updated so that it is in line with GDPR requirements. It is this version, which includes sections D and E, that should be submitted by candidates.
EDUQAS MEDIA STUDIES CENTRE MAP

We have recently set up a map for centres teaching our Eduqas specifications to network and share good practice with other centres taking Eduqas Media Studies in your area.

Once you have added your details to the centre map, you will be given the link to view the map. Please save this link so you can access the map in future. If you do lose the link or would like to amend any of your details please contact media@eduqas.co.uk.

Add your details to the centre map.

CPD

Materials from the 2018 Eduqas GCSE and AS/A Level Next Steps CPD sessions are available on the secure website under Resources > Subject Specific Support Material Incl. CPD, and then using the filters to access the Eduqas CPD materials for GCSE and GCE.

These materials include additional sample exam papers as well as example candidate answers.

You can now book for this year’s CPD events, which will take place from October through to December. Book your place here.

TWITTER

You can now keep up to date with the latest news and information from Eduqas Media Studies by following our WJEC/Eduqas Media Studies Twitter feed @eduqas_media.

FAQs

We have a comprehensive set of FAQs for both GCSE Media Studies and AS/A Level Media Studies available in the digital resources of the webpages.