

Update to Higher Psychology Course



We have updated the Course Assessment Specification for Higher Psychology. This follows feedback gathered from centres during session 2014–15.

The updated Course Assessment Specification is now available on SQA's website and is dated 'August 2015'.

Please refer to the following 'Notification of Changes' tables for your curricular area, as these provide a summary of the changes to each document and include details of the revised version numbers.

- [Health and Wellbeing National 3 to National 5 Notification of Changes Log](#)
- [Health and Wellbeing Higher Notification of Changes Log](#)

Notification of Changes tables for all subjects are available from www.sqa.org.uk/cfesubjectchanges

Further information on the reasons for these changes, and guidance on the next steps to take, is provided below.

Subject	Document	Reason for change	Next steps for centres
Higher Psychology	Course Assessment Specification	<p>Text amended to clarify that SQA will provide Psychology research briefs, which candidates should review to guide them towards selection of a research topic.</p> <p>Previous text suggested the research must be based on the topic outlined within the brief; however the research briefs for Higher are flexible and are designed to act as prompts and guidance only.</p>	Centres are advised to download new copies of the revised document.