



Sociology: arrangements for unit assessment for 2016–17 onwards

Early in 2016, we reviewed each subject area and published the results in the ‘subject review reports’ in May. Below is a summary of the changes made to unit assessment as part of this review.

From session 2016–17, a threshold approach will apply when judging assessment standards. If a candidate successfully meets the requirements indicated below, they have passed the unit and no re-assessment is required.

Freestanding SCQF level 5 units

- ◆ Human Society unit — you don’t need to re-assess candidates for assessment standard 1.1 if they do not meet the requirements
- ◆ Culture and Identity unit — only two sources of information are required for assessment standard 1.3
- ◆ Social Issues unit — only one source is required for assessment standard 1.1

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- ◆ Human Society unit — you don’t need to re-assess candidates for assessment standard 2.3 if they do not meet the requirements
- ◆ Culture and Identity unit — you don’t need to re-assess candidates for assessment standard 1.5 if they do not meet the requirements
- ◆ Social Issues unit — you don’t need to re-assess candidates for assessment standard 2.3 if they do not meet the requirements

Note: you still must give candidates the opportunity to meet all assessment standards. The above thresholds are in place to reduce the volume of re-assessment.