

# GCE Journalism in the Media and Communications Industry Specification Addendum

## Exceptional Assessment Adaptations (for 2021–2022)

**This addendum should be used in conjunction with the current specification**

The table below shows the units available for Summer 2022 cash in and details where applicable:

- the unit eligible for omission; or
- any adaptations that have been made to internally assessed tasks for 2021–2022; and
- any adaptations that have been made due to public health restrictions

**Please note: This applies only to candidates entering in Summer 2022**

Content	Assessment	Weightings	Assessment Adaptations 2021–2022
<b>AS 1: Journalism in Print</b>	External written examination  <b>2 hours</b>  Compare and contrast two unseen print journalism stimuli.  Respond to unseen print journalism writing, PR or subediting tasks.  Answer one essay question.	40% of AS  16% of A Level	No changes
<b>AS 2: Print Portfolio</b>	Internal assessment  Produce a portfolio of different story types for a local or regional newspaper or magazine.	60% of AS  24% of A Level	The assessment requirements for this unit will be reduced. <i>Further details will be published by 1 September 2021</i>

Content	Assessment	Weightings	Assessment Adaptations 2021–2022
<b>A2 1: Cross-Platform Journalism and Digital Interactivity</b>	External written examination  <b>2 hours</b>  Respond to unseen writing and cross-platform newsroom scenario tasks.  Answer one essay question on a debate topic of choice.	24% of A Level	No changes
<b>A2 2: Online Print and Broadcast Feature Portfolio</b>	Internal assessment  Conduct a theme-based analytical cross-platform case study  and  Produce two features: one for online print and one for broadcast.	36% of A Level	The assessment requirements for this unit will be reduced. <i>Further details will be published by 1 September 2021</i>

### 1. AS (2021) contribution to GCE Qualification (2022)

For candidates who started their course in September 2020 and hope to achieve a GCE qualification level grade in Summer 2022, they will be awarded a grade based on their performance in their A2 units only.

### 2. Teaching Order

For candidates commencing their AS or A2 course in September 2021, it is recommended that, as far as possible, the units are delivered in numerical order in case of any further disruption to the academic year.