

GCE Nutrition and Food Science 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
AS 1: Principles of Nutrition	External written examination 1 hour 30 mins Students answer all short questions in Section A and two extended writing questions from a choice of three in Section B.	50% of AS 20% of A level	No changes
AS 2: Diet, Lifestyle and Health	External written examination 1 hour 30 mins Students answer all short questions in Section A and three extended writing questions from a choice of four in Section B.	50% of AS 20% of A level	This unit will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the AS qualification level grade in Summer 2022. This unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.

Content	Assessment	Weightings	Assessment Adaptations 2021–2022
A2 1: Option A: Food Security and Sustainability or Option B: Food Safety and Quality	External written examination 2 hours 30 mins Students answer a compulsory structured question in Section A and three extended writing questions from a choice of four in Section B.	30% of A level	No changes
A2 2: Research Project	Internal assessment Students complete a 4000-word research-based project. Teachers mark the projects, and we moderate the results.	30% of A level	Students complete a reduced and adapted 1,650-word research-based project (48 marks in total) , without primary research, but critically reviewing secondary sources. Introduction (350 words – 12 marks) <i>Stating a rationale and aim for the chosen research.</i> Literature Review (1000 words – 24 marks) <i>Critically reviewing and clearly referencing the information gained from secondary sources.</i> Conclusions and Recommendations (300 words – 8 marks) <i>Reviewing the original aim; Drawing together the key findings from secondary sources; and Making recommendations for future research/developments on the topic.</i> Presentation of the Research Project (4 marks) You can view more information on the adaptations for this unit here . Teacher/student guidance, an exemplar and commentary will be available on the subject webpage in September 2021.

1. AS Summer 2022

For those students who are due to cash in for the AS qualification in Summer 2022, should they choose to sit both units, they will receive the higher of either:

- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the required unit specified by CCEA; or
- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the full set of units for that qualification.

In both cases the full specification content should still be delivered.

2. 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.

3. 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.