



Your ASSESSMENT INSTITUTION OF CHOICE

FINAL 2021 SACAI NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION TIMETABLE AS ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2021: DUE TO NATIONAL ELECTIONS

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SACAI must adhere to the set-out measures that must be taken to ensure that the COVID-19 health and safety of our Grade 12 candidates and invigilation and monitoring teams are not compromised during the NSC examination which will be implemented at SACAI NSC examination centres for a period of 6 weeks during the NSC examination.

COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY MATTERS:

Health and safety template:

- Physical distancing in the exam venue
- No hugging or handshaking
- Direct contact must be avoided.
- Cloth masks to be worn by candidates and the invigilator teams, respectively and at all times.
- Revised declarations and disclaimers to be signed by candidates and parents regarding COVID-19 compliance.
- Candidates must leave the premise after completion of the question paper.

Infrastructure and Furniture:

- Sanitize venue prior to the start and ending of examination sessions.
- Sanitize hands and stationery upon entering of venue.
- Limit movement of candidates entering the venue. Chief Invigilator will tick the candidate as absent or present on the “copy” attendance register with only one pen as candidates enter the exam venue on a one-by-one basis. Candidates will then sign the **yellow attendance** register when seated. Candidate will make use of his/her own stationery when signing the **yellow attendance** register.
- Chief Invigilator will wear gloves during the handout and collection of the answer scripts.
- No clustering of desks in the exam venue.
- Candidates may make use of sealed bottled water during the writing session.
- Candidates’ stationery must be sealed and sanitized before entering the venue. Only use see-through stationery bags.
- Cleaners must clean and sanitise the exam venue and bathrooms after each exam session.

Remedial measures:

Basic hygiene and sanitation package include cleaning and disinfection materials, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) i.e., face masks, sanitizers, hand-washing soap with running water, and thermometers. Please take note of the following:

- Risk reduction methods for venue, toilets/bathrooms, offices, strong room.
- Daily duties of cleaners; and
- How to use Personal Protective Equipment and non-contact thermometers.

Screening and testing:

- Screening of candidates and invigilator teams will be done before each exam session starts.
- Temperature checks will be administered; and
- Candidates and invigilators or staff members who present raised temperatures, will be considered for isolation and further testing.

PRIOR TO THE FINAL NSC EXAMINATIONS:

- The Chief Invigilator of the NSC examination centre will request a **scheduled information centre meeting before the commencement of the NSC examination**. During this compulsory centre meeting the rules and regulations will be discussed and the necessary documentation must be completed before the candidate can receive the **blue admission** letter and timetable with proof of ID.
- **PLEASE NOTE THAT SACAI will not be able to entertain requests for the re-issue of documentation if the candidate did not attend this meeting.**
- Adhere to the regulations and legislations of the COVID-19 policy.

ACCOMMODATION AND CONCESSION CANDIDATES:

Accommodation and concession candidates must provide the signed-off SACAI approved accommodation certificate to the Chief Invigilator to ensure that the necessary arrangements are in place before the commencement of the NSC examination.

Kindly note:

All extra costs related to accommodation for grade 12 candidates are **for the account of the parent or guardian**.

These costs include, but are not limited to:

- The rent of a separate venue (classroom) for use during the examination period.
- The cost of an additional invigilator as required by the SACAI Examination Policy.
- The cost of a reader and / or scribe as mutually agreed between the reader and / or scribe and the parent. Independent reader and scribe may only be appointed according to SACAI Examination Policy.

SACAI shall not be liable for the payment of any invoices arising from an agreement between the examination centres and the parent for the extra costs. **Note** that these costs are in addition to the SACAI Examination Fees and must be paid prior to the commencement of the NSC examination.

It is the responsibility of the parent to arrange an independent qualified reader and / or scribe (reader and / or scribe may not be a teacher / facilitator / tutor of the candidate neither the head of a tutor centre or independent school) to put into effect the accommodation granted by the SACAI Accommodation Committee and confirmed with the SACAI Accommodation Certificate.

DURING THE NSC EXAMINATION SESSION:

- You must produce your **BLUE personal timetable** and proof of identity **every time you report for an examination session**.
- You must be seated at least thirty (30) minutes before the starting time of a session as indicated on the timetable.
- You will, only in exceptional circumstances, be admitted to the examination room after the commencement of an examination session, **but never after an hour has passed**. If you are late no additional time will be allowed.
- No explanation of examination questions may be asked for or given to others.
- Under no circumstances will you be allowed to remove either a used or unused answer script from the examination room.
- Once you have completed a question paper you must leave the answer script(s) on your desk for the invigilator to collect. If it is more than 15 minutes before the end of the session you may raise your hand to draw the attention of the invigilator. All candidates are requested to be seated until the session is completed. You may not cause a disturbance or behave in an improper or unseemly manner.
- Under no circumstances will you be allowed to take an answer script or a sheet of paper with you when leaving the room and to then return to hand it in. The script or sheet of paper will be marked "invalid" and will not be marked.
- You are not allowed to assist or try to assist another candidate in any way. Neither are you allowed to ask another candidate for assistance or accept such assistance if offered to you. All questions must be directed to the invigilator.
- You may not cause a disturbance or behave in an improper or unseemly manner.
- You may not disregard the instructions of the Chief invigilator and the team.
- You may not take a book, memorandum, notes, maps, photos or other documentation or material into the examination room except your personal timetable and identification document.
- You are not allowed to take a cell phone, smart watch, smart devices, other electronic device(s) into the examination room, except a non-programmable calculator if required by the specific paper. Any such items must be switched off and handed to the Chief Invigilator before the start of the session. If you do not obey these instructions, you render yourself liable to suspension from the current and future examinations and SACAI may, in such an event, refuse to give you credit for other examination papers written.
- Any errata on a specific examination question paper will be read to you by the Chief Invigilator.
- You will be allowed 10 minutes before the start of writing to read the question paper. You are not allowed to start writing or to make notes during these 10 minutes.
- No gum, sweets, water, cold drinks are allowed into the examination room except if permission is given by the Chief Invigilator because of specific reasons. If permission is granted to take water into the examination venue, the water must be in a sealed plastic bottle. (For example: in the case of a diabetic).

VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON CAT and IT:

CAT & IT practical will be written at SACAI approved CAT & IT practical centres equipped with SkillsPro laptops.

CENTRE THAT OFFERS TWO CAT or IT SESSIONS:

- CAT & IT candidates who sit for the first session must report at the exam centre at 07:00 to start promptly at 08:00. Candidates for the second sitting must report at the exam centre no later than 10:30 as these candidates will be under supervision until the second session starts. Candidates may study and have something to eat or drink before the second session starts.
- Accommodation candidates will be seated in the second session due to extra time allowed.
- Candidate may not leave the practical venue before the necessary practical form and data is confirmed by the candidate.
- Candidates need to attend the CAT & IT centre meetings to ensure in what session the candidate is writing his/her practical examination.

CENTRE WHERE ONLY ONE CAT SESSION OFFERED:

- CAT & IT candidates must report at the exam centre at 07:30.

INFORMATION ON THE NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS:

When will the final National Senior Certificate examination be conducted?

October to December annually.

Must a learner register to write the final National Senior Certificate examination?

Yes, before 15 March of the year in which a learner will sit for the final NSC examination. All subjects to be written, including those from approved assessment bodies, must be registered for. This is the responsibility of the NSC Institution registered with SACAI to ensure that 7 subjects are registered for the NSC examination.

Who is eligible to write the National Senior Certificate examination?

- Current Grade 12 learners.
- Repeater provided that School-based Assessment is valid.

MATRIC PASS REQUIREMENTS:

Firstly, there are 3 pass levels:

1. Higher certificate
2. Diploma
3. Bachelor's Degree (which was commonly known as an "exemption")

Here are the pass requirements for each of these levels:

Higher certificate pass requirements

- Must obtain 40% in your Home Language.
- Must obtain at least 40% in **two** other subjects.
- Must obtain at least 30% for **three** other subjects.

It is important to note that one of your languages must either be English or Afrikaans to qualify for a Higher Certificate.

Diploma pass requirements

- Must obtain at least 40% for your Home Language.
- Must obtain at least 40% for **three** other High Credit subjects (**Four**, including your home language.).
- Must obtain at least 30% for **two** other subjects.

Bachelor's Degree pass requirements

- Must obtain at least 40% for your Home Language.
- Must obtain at least 50% for **four** other High Credit subjects.
- Must obtain at least 30% for **two** other subjects.

Level system

- Level 7: 80 – 100% (Outstanding achievement)
- Level 6: 70 – 79% (Meritorious achievement)
- Level 5: 60 – 69% (Substantial achievement)
- Level 4: 50 – 59% (Moderate achievement)
- Level 3: 40 – 49% (Adequate achievement)
- Level 2: 30 – 39% (Elementary achievement)
- Level 1: 0 – 29% (Not achieved – Fail)

What is the role of Umalusi?

Umalusi is responsible for the quality assurance of assessment in the Grade 12-year and issues the National Senior Certificate to successful NSC candidates. Umalusi approves the NSC resulting after standardisation.

Announcement procedure

After Umalusi approval, the original SACAI signed Statement of results will be couriered to the **EXAMINATION CENTRES**.

Candidates will be able to view their results on the SACAI portal. Keying in the candidate's **examination and ID numbers will allow access to the portal**. The link to the **SACAI portal**: <http://portal.sacai.co.za>

SACAI offices:

Please note that the SACAI offices will be closed from **15 December 2021 to 13 January 2022** and that no telephone calls or e-mail queries will be answered during this time. Please ensure that all NSC resulting relating enquiries must be done via the NSC Institution where the candidate is registered for the 2021 Grade 12 NSC Examination.



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2021 SACAI NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (NSC) EXAMINATION TIMETABLE
The timetable dates can be revised due to COVID-19.

ARTS PRACTICAL (NSC) EXAMINATION: 18 OCTOBER 2021 – 29 OCTOBER 2021

ARTS NSC PRACTICAL SUBJECTS	
Monday 18 October 2021 – Friday 22 October 2021	Dramatic Arts Final Practical Performance Examinations SECTION 2: PERFORMANCE SECTION PERFORMANCE TIME: 10 minutes
Changed dates: Monday 18 October 2021 – Tuesday 26 October 2021	Visual Arts and Design Final Practical Examinations (24 hrs) 5 days x 8 hours (18 hours and a maximum of 24 hours)

TECHNOLOGY PRACTICAL (NSC) EXAMINATION: 12 - 13 OCTOBER 2021
TECHNOLOGY THEORY (NSC) EXAMINATION : 14 - 15 OCTOBER 2021

DATE	SESSION 1: 09:00	SESSION 2: 14:00
Tuesday 12/10/2021	Computer Application Technology Paper 1 (3 hrs) PRACTICAL (Only at SACAI registered practical CAT centres equipped with SkillsPro laptops)	Approval to conduct two sessions if required must be obtained from SACAI in advance.
Wednesday 13/10/2021	Information Technology Paper 1 (3 hrs) PRACTICAL (Only at SACAI registered practical IT centres equipped with SkillsPro laptops)	
Thursday 14/10/2021	Computer Application Technology Paper 2 THEORY (3 hrs)	
Friday 15/10/2021	Information Technology Paper 2 THEORY (3 hrs)	

2021 (NSC) EXAMINATION: 01 NOVEMBER – 06 DECEMBER 2021

IEB PAPERS / DBE PAPERS

Final as on 15 September 2021: Due to National Elections

WEEK 1		
DATE	SESSION 1: 09:00	SESSION 2: 14:00
Wednesday 27/10/2021	English FAL Paper 1 (2 hrs)	English HL Paper 1 (2 hrs) GERMAN SAL PAPER 1 (2 hrs)
Thursday 28/10/2021	Afrikaans EAT Paper 1 (2 hrs)	Afrikaans HT Paper 1 (2 hrs) FRENCH SAL PAPER 1 (2 hrs) PORTUGUESE SAL PAPER 1 (2hrs)
Friday 29/10/2021	NO EXAMINATIONS	
WEEK 2		
Monday 01/11/2021	LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS	
Tuesday 02/11/2021	NO EXAMINATIONS	
Wednesday 03/11/2021	English FAL Paper 3 (2½ hrs)	English HL Paper 3 (2½ hrs) GERMAN SAL PAPER 2 (2 hrs)
Thursday 04/11/2021	RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY	
Friday 05/11/2021	Mathematics Paper 1 (3 hrs)	Mathematical Literacy Paper 1 (3 hrs) FRENCH SAL PAPER 2 (2 hrs) PORTUGUESE SAL PAPER 2 (2hrs)
WEEK 3		
DATE	SESSION 1: 09:00	SESSION 2: 14:00
Monday 08/11/2021	Mathematics Paper 2 (3 hrs)	Mathematical Literacy Paper 2 (3 hrs)
Tuesday 09/11/2021	English HL Paper 2 (2½ hrs)	English FAL Paper 2 (2½ hrs)
Wednesday 10/11/2021	Business Studies Paper 1 (2 hrs)	Engineering Graphics & Design Paper 1 (3 hrs)
Thursday 11/11/2021	SEPEDI, SESOTHO, SETSWANA, TSHIVENDA, ISIZULU, ISIXHOSA, SISWATI, ISINDEBELE HL Paper 1 (2 hrs) FAL Paper 1 (2 hrs)	Afrikaans HT Paper 2 (2½ hrs)
Friday 12/11/2021	Physical Sciences Paper 1 (Physics) (3 hrs)	History Paper 1 (3 hrs)

WEEK 4		
DATE	SESSION 1: 09:00	SESSION 2: 14:00
Monday 15/11/2021	Physical Sciences Paper 2 (Chemistry) (3 hrs)	
Tuesday 16/11/2021	Consumer Studies (3 hrs) Hospitality Studies (3 hrs)	Agricultural Management Practices (3 hrs)
Wednesday 17/11/2021	Agricultural Sciences Paper 1 (2½ hrs)	
Thursday 18/11/2021	Afrikaans EAT Paper 2 (2 hrs)	Religion Studies Paper 1 (2 hrs)
Friday 19/11/2021	Life Sciences Paper 1 (2½ hrs)	DESIGN (3 hrs)
WEEK 5		
DATE	SESSION 1: 09:00	SESSION 2: 14:00
Monday 22/11/2021	Life Sciences Paper 2 (2 ½ hrs)	
Tuesday 23/11/2021	SEPEDI, SESOTHO, SETSWANA TSHIVENDA, ISIZULU, ISIXHOSA, SISWATI, ISINDEBELE HL HL Paper 2 (2½ hrs) FAL Paper 2 (2½ hrs)	Agricultural Sciences Paper 2 (2½ hrs)
Wednesday 24/11/2021	Afrikaans EAT Paper 3 (2 ½ hrs)	Afrikaans HT Paper 3 (2 ½ hrs)
Thursday 25/11/2021	Engineering Graphics & Design Paper 2 (3 hrs)	Dramatic Arts THEORY Paper 2 (3 hrs)
Friday 26/11/2021	Business Studies Paper 2 (2 hrs)	
WEEK 6		
Monday 29/11/2021	Geography THEORY Paper 1 (3 hrs)	Geography MAP WORK Paper 2 (1½ hrs)
Tuesday 30/11/2021	SEPEDI, SESOTHO, SETSWANA TSHIVENDA, ISIZULU, ISIXHOSA, SISWATI, ISINDEBELE HL P3 (3 hrs) FAL P3 (2½ hrs)	History Paper 2 (3 hrs)
Wednesday 01/12/2021	Economics Paper 1 (2 hrs)	
Thursday 02/12/2021	Tourism (3 hrs)	MUSIC P1 THEORY (3 hrs) Religion Studies Paper 2 (2 hrs)
Friday 03/12/2021	Economics Paper 2 (2 hrs)	Visual Arts (3 hrs)
WEEK 7		
Monday 06/12/2021	Accounting (3 hrs)	MUSIC P2 COMPREHENSION (1½ hrs)

