

VCE Dance

2019–2023

Written examination – End of year

Examination specifications

Overall conditions

The examination will be sat at a time and date to be set annually by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA). VCAA examination rules will apply. Details of these rules are published annually in the *VCE and VCAL Administrative Handbook*.

There will be 15 minutes reading time and 1 hour and 30 minutes writing time.

The examination will be marked by a panel appointed by the VCAA.

The examination will contribute 25 per cent to the study score.

Content

The *VCE Dance Study Design 2019–2023* is the document for the development of the examination. All outcomes in Units 3 and 4 will be examined.

All of the key knowledge and key skills that underpin the outcomes in Units 3 and 4, and the content found in the sections ‘Cross-study terminology’ and ‘Cross-study specifications’ in the study design (pages 9–13), are examinable.

Format

The examination will be in the form of a question and answer book.

The examination will consist of short-answer and extended-answer questions, including questions with multiple parts.

Examination questions may relate to one or more areas of study.

Some questions will be based on works from the VCE Dance Prescribed List of Dance Works for Units 3 and 4 for the year in question.

Unit 3, Area of Study 1 and Unit 4, Area of Study 1 will contribute a combined total of 70–80% of the total marks for the examination.

Unit 3, Area of Study 2 and Area of Study 3, and Unit 4, Area of Study 2 will contribute a combined total of 20–30% of the total marks for the examination.

The examination may include questions based on a scenario(s), which require the application of knowledge and demonstration of understanding of the processes and practices involved in choreographing or learning, safe rehearsal, and performance of solo and group dance works.

All questions will be compulsory. The total marks for the examination will be 80.

Answers are to be recorded in the spaces provided in the question and answer book.

Approved materials and equipment

Pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, sharpeners and rulers

Relevant references

The following publications should be referred to in relation to the VCE Dance examination:

- *VCE Dance Study Design 2019–2023*
- *VCE Dance – Advice for teachers 2019–2023*
- VCE Dance Prescribed List of Dance Works for Units 3 and 4 (published annually)
- *VCAA Bulletin*

Advice

During the 2019–2023 accreditation period for VCE Dance, examinations will be prepared according to the examination specifications above. Each examination will conform to these specifications.

Students should use command/task words, other instructional information within questions and corresponding mark allocations to guide their responses.

A separate document containing a sample examination has been published on the VCE Dance 'Examination specifications, past examinations and examination reports' page on the VCAA website.

The sample examination provides an indication of the format of the examination, and the types of questions teachers and students can expect until the current accreditation period is over.

The VCAA does not provide answers to sample examinations.