

VCE Extended Investigation 2019–2021

Externally Assessed Task

Oral presentation specifications

Overall conditions

Date and time: The school will be notified 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*.

The Externally Assessed Task (EAT) for Unit 4 consists of a written report and an oral presentation. The EAT will contribute 60 per cent to the study score.

The mark structure of the two components of the EAT is as follows:

- written report – 60 marks
- oral presentation – 40 marks

The oral presentation will be marked by a panel of two assessors appointed by the VCAA.

Content

The oral presentation will draw on knowledge and skills from Unit 3, Outcomes 1, 2 and 3, and Unit 4, Outcomes 1 and 2.

The oral presentation must have as its basis a specific research question or hypothesis expressed as a question.

Format

The oral presentation will be recorded. An audiovisual recording of all student presentations will provide a valuable additional quality assurance measure.

No audience will be allowed in the assessment room during the oral presentation.

Students may use presentation software and/or posters.

Speaker notes are permitted.

It should be noted that there is no specific assessment criterion relating to the use of presentation aids.

Additional electronic media (e.g. sound and video files) are **not** permitted.

Additional props (e.g. laboratory equipment, costumes, scientific models or simulations) are **not** permitted.

Duration of oral presentation

The duration of the oral presentation is 15–20 minutes:

- 7–10 minutes for the presentation
- 8–10 minutes for responses to questions and challenges from the panel

Criteria

1. Knowledge and understanding of the research area
2. Defence of research findings and understanding of audience
3. Responses to questions and challenges
4. Reflection and evaluation

The assessment criteria and performance-level descriptors for the oral presentation are available at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/Pages/vce/studies/extendedinvestigation/exams.aspx.

Other

- Students should present for their VCE Extended Investigation oral presentation at least 30 minutes before the scheduled time.
- On arrival at the assessment centre, students should report to the venue coordinator.
- Students need to show VCAA officials their Examination Advice Slip and some form of photo identification card.