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<p>EXTENSION OF THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF THE 2021 NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION GUIDELINES (NSC)</p>

1. The National Senior Certificate (NSC) Examination Guidelines were approved by Umalusi and released for implementation for 2021, 2022 and 2023. This follows the amendment of Section 4 of the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements (CAPS).
2. The Examination Guidelines are scheduled to be reviewed on a three-year cycle to keep abreast with amendments to policies that affect curriculum and assessment/examinations. Given the conclusion of the three-year cycle, the Examination Guidelines were scheduled to be reviewed and subsequently released for implementation in the 2024 academic year.



3. However, the process of strengthening of the curriculum is currently unfolding and it is considered appropriate to await the finalisation of that process, before we make amendments to the Examination Guidelines. There are **no changes** to the CAPS for 2024.
4. The 2021 Examination Guidelines are available on the DBE's website.
5. It must be noted that for the subjects that have specific topics and content areas that are being taught and assessed over a three-year cycle, the 2021 topics and content areas will be taught and assessed for the 2024 academic year.
6. Provincial Education Departments (PEDs) are requested to disseminate this circular to all schools offering the NSC.
7. For any queries relating to this process, please contact Mrs F. Bikitsha at 0723782817.

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