

### **What is the requirement to register as a private candidate with British Council?**

You need to be 18 and over to register as a private candidate with British Council, Qatar. If you are a minor you must provide us with a 'No Objection Letter' from MOEHE, Ministry of Education and Higher Education, Qatar, before registration, as per directive from MOEHE. You must register using a valid Qatari ID only.

### **What is the difference between CAIE and Edexcel qualifications?**

Cambridge and Edexcel are different exam boards. British Council only administers exams for these boards. You may find out more about the awarding bodies from your teacher/course instructor or from the board's website.

Cambridge: <https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/>

Edexcel: <http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/home.html>

Oxford AQA: <https://oxfordqaexams.org.uk/exams-administration/>

### **When can I register for the January examination session for Edexcel?**

Registrations for the January Edexcel session are open usually mid-September.

### **When can I register for the May/June examinations?**

Registrations for the May/June examinations open in January.

### **When can I register for the October/November Cambridge examinations?**

Registrations for the October/November session open usually end June or beginning of July.

### **How do I register for school exams with British Council?**

Please use the below link when registration opens  
<https://schoolexams.britishcouncil.org/#/select-country/>

Select the Awarding Board, Qualification, and option code you require from the drop list.

If you are carrying forward Cambridge AS levels speak to a Customer Service person for option codes.

Select all subjects required for the specific board, add to basket, check details again and proceed to payment. Payment is made by cash/card with our Customer Service at British Council Al Sadd Office.

Repeat process if you are registering in the same session for another Board as well.

Candidates are solely responsible for their registration and must ensure they refer to the syllabus and enter the correct subject and option code.

### **Can I combine Qualifications in one session?**

Yes. You can do your IG/O and AS/A levels in the same session.

**My school does not offer a subject which is necessary for admission in college; can I do this paper through the British Council?**

Yes, you can appear for this subject through British Council as a private candidate. But you need to be 18 and over to register as a private candidate, if you are a minor you must provide us with a No Objection Letter/email, from MOEHE, Ministry of Education and Higher Education, Qatar.

**Do you recommend books, tutors, or any other resources to prepare for these exams?**

No. You may check exam board's website for this information.

**Can I register as a private candidate for CAIE/Edexcel science exams involving practical, orals or coursework?**

No. British Council does not offer any Cambridge and/or Edexcel subject with science practical and/or coursework and /or oral (other than English) components in them. You need to register in a school to take these exams.

**Is IGCSE and GCSE same?**

No, IGCSE and GCSE are different. IGCSE means 'International GCSE' and is designed for international students. However, some schools in UK also offer IGCSEs.

**Can I register through my school as well as British Council in the same session through the same board for same subject (s)?**

No, you cannot register at two different centres. You can only register through one Centre for an exam session of the same board.

**Do I need to come in person for registration?**

Yes. But in special cases you may complete the application form along with the relevant documents and can authorize someone to submit the application and make payment on your behalf.

**Which subjects are being offered for CAIE O and A levels?**

We offer all the subjects except those with practical exams for our private candidates. As for the schools, it depends on the school if it has the necessary resources.

**How many times can candidates carry forward marks for Cambridge International AS & A Levels?**

Marks for Cambridge International AS Level can only be carried forward twice. All marks must be carried forward within 13 months from the first time the candidate takes the AS Level components.

**If a candidate appears for an exam with the school, can they apply for a recheck/remarking through British Council?**

No. School candidates need to contact their school administrators for all enquiries. Only private candidates taking exam with British Council can apply for remarking through us.

**I want to transfer my exam centre. Is it possible?**

It depends, your Centre transfer request may or may not get accepted. Our decision would be based on:

- Reason for Centre transfer.
- Exam arrangements at Centre to be transferred to.

**What does a cash in mean for Edexcel candidates?**

Cash in, is a code which accumulates minimum required number of units that gives an overall grade and a certificate in either GCE or IAL (AS and A levels). A candidate will only get a Statement of result without a cash in, and not a certificate of the overall grade. A cash in code therefore needs to be entered while registering for any AS or A level in Edexcel.

Please contact our customer service for guidance if you are unsure of a cash in code.

**Where will the exam be held?**

You will receive this information through your venue letter. Generally, the venue letter is available for collection two to three weeks before the start of the exam session.

**When do I get my Statement of Entry and venue letter?**

The Statement of Entry is available with the venue letter two to three weeks before the start of exam session.

If you are a private candidate, you will get SMS or/and e-mail to inform you about the availability of Statement of Entry at the British Council Front Office and that you would need to collect them within 3 days.

**What are the acceptable forms of ID for private candidates on the day of exam?**

Private candidates:

- Valid original Passport
- Valid Qatari ID

**What is the grading system for school exams? For e.g. What does A, B, C, U etc. indicate?**

All grading details are on the back of the original result. Please go through your certificate. Please refer to syllabus specifications for further guidance.

**What is IGCSE (9-1) syllabus?**

The syllabus is the same as IGCSE, the grades would be from a scale of 1-9, with 1 being the least.

**Do you provide more than one original certificate of results?**

No, but if you lose your Certificate you may apply for certifying Statement of Results for Cambridge and Replacement Certificate for Edexcel.

**I am going back to my home country. Do I need to get my certificates attested by the British Council?**

No. British Council does not have any such requirement, but please check with your country's embassy or education institution you intend to take admission in, for further studies.

**Can I authorize someone else to collect my results?**

Only in special cases you can send your parents/guardian to collect results on your behalf along with following documents:

- Original ID document of the authorised person
- Authorisation letter
- Copy of candidate's Statement of entry / ID document

**For how long does British Council keep the Statement of Results or certificates with them? What if I need a certificate after a year?**

British Council keeps the candidate's certificates for 1 year. Candidates need to apply for certifying statement of results / replacement certificate if they wish to receive their results after one year.

**We would like to become a centre for Cambridge/Edexcel examinations?**

Thank you for showing your interest in working with British Council. We will forward your query to our School Exams Manager/Officer who will get back to you within three working days. Please provide following details:

Contact person name:

Telephone number

Preferred contact time:

School name:

Registration Qualification: Cambridge / Edexcel / Oxford AQA