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Ancient History (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Examination –Short response (25%)	Short responses to historical sources. Mode: written Time allowed - Planning time: 15 minutes - Working time: 120 minutes Students must not take notes into the examination. The teacher provides - the seen sources one week before the examination - a clean copy of the stimulus at the start of the examination.	Term 1, Week 7
FIA2	Investigation (25%)	Independent Source Investigation Time: this task is designed so that students can develop a response in approximately 15 hours of class time. Length: up to 2000 words	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Investigation (25%)	Historical essay based on research Time: this task is designed so that students can develop a response in approximately 15 hours of class time. Length: up to 2000 words	Term 3, Week 4
FIA4	Examination — extended response (25%)	Examination — extended response Time allowed: Planning time: 15 minutes - Working time: 120 minutes Students must not take notes into the examination. The teacher provides - the seen sources one week before the examination - a clean copy of the stimulus at the start of the examination.	Term 3, Week 10

Aquatic Practices (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	E2	Project – Performance	Using aquatic environments	Term 1, Week 9
FIA2	E1	Applied Investigation	Using aquatic environments	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	A1	Applied Investigation	Aquatic ecosystems	Term 3, Week 2
FIA4	A2	Project – Performance	Aquatic ecosystems	Term 3, Week 10

Biology (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Data test	Written task under exam conditions 60 minutes	Term 1, Week 6
FIA2	Student experiment	Project – 10 hours in class time Written (e.g. scientific report), 1500–2000 words	Term 2, Week 3
FIA3	Research investigation	Project – 10 hours in class time Written (e.g. scientific essay), 1500–2000 words	Term 3, Week 9
FIA4	External examination	Written task under exam conditions 2 x 90 minutes papers; each with 10 min perusal	Term 3, Week 10

Chemistry (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Examination	Written task under exam conditions 1 x 90 minutes paper; with 10 min perusal	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Research investigation	Project – 10 hours in class time Written (e.g. scientific essay), 1000 - 1500 words	Term 2, Week 7
FIA3	Student experiment	Project – 10 hours in class time Written (e.g. scientific report), 1000-1500 words	Term 3, Week 7
FIA4	Examination	Written task under exam conditions 1 x 90 minutes paper; with 10 min perusal	Term 3, Week 10

Dance (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Performance	Performance “Feel It Still” 2:42	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Choreography and response	Choreography up to 4 minutes Response up to 500 words, or 4 minutes spoken	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Dance work (choreography, response, choreographic statement)	Choreography up to 4 minutes Performance of choreography Response up to 500 words, or 4 minutes spoken Folio up to 800 words including images	Term 3, Week 3
FIA4	Exam	Unseen stimulus, written response 800-1000 words 20 minutes planning, 2 hours completion	Term 3, Week 10

Dance in Practice (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	A1	Performance	Performance "Feel It Still" 2:42	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	A2	Choreographic project	Choreography up to 4 minutes Response up to 600 words or 4 minutes spoken	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	D1	Choreographic project	Choreography up to 4 minutes Multimodal presentation response - PPT, recorded voice	Term 3, Week 3
FIA4	D2	Performance	Performance of D-A1 choreography, up to 4 minutes	Term 3, Week 10

Drama (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Performance (2-10 performers)	3–5 minutes 'Blurred' Realism. (all students must be actively engaged on stage for a minimum of 3 minutes and no more than 5 minutes)	Term 1, Week 7
FIA2	Project – Dramatic Concept	Analysis and evaluation 'Black Diggers' Non-Linear Story Telling. (maximum 400 words) My concept (maximum 800 words), including digital record of 10–12 images	Term 2, Week 6
FIA3	Project – Practice-Led project	Directorial vision — 'Where in the World is Frank Sparrow' 5–7 minutes of multimodal pitch (combining spoken word with digital visual presentation) Performance — 3–5 minutes of performance (all students must be actively engaged on stage for a minimum of 3 minutes)	Term 3, Week 7
FIA4	Extended response	(10min planning + 1.5h) 'Black Diggers' Written: 600 to 800 words Unseen stimulus	Term 3, Week 10

Drama in Practice (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	A2	Performance	Group performance 'Blurred' Dramatic Style Realism.	Term 1, Week 7
FIA2	A1	Directorial Project	Multimedia Response to 'Black Diggers.' Individual Task.	Term 2, Week 6
FIA3	B1	Devising Project	Design a scene and technical designs for Tapestry Arts Festival. Multimodal	Term 3, Week 6
FIA4	B2	Performance	Group performance Presenting the designed scene for Tapestry Arts Festival.	Term 3, Week 10

Early Childhood Studies (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	E	Investigation	Designing a play space	Term 1, Week 7
FIA2	E	Project	Under 8's Day	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	D	Project	Healthy Habits Expo	Term 3, Week 8

Engineering Skills - (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	A	Practical Demonstration Visual evidence - Individual response	BBQ Plate	Term 1, Week 9
FIA2	A	Project Product & Multimodal – non-presentation	Char	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	B	Practical Demonstration	Tack Hammer	Term 3, Week 10

English (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Persuasive spoken response	Assignment Pre-recorded 5-8 minutes with 4 Weeks prep	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Literary Article	Assignment 800-1200 words with 5 weeks preparation	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Imaginative written response (short story)	Written under exam conditions (15min + 2h) across three lessons One week's notice of task	Term 3, Week 2
FIA4	Analytical Essay	Written under exam conditions (15min + 2h) Unseen	Term 3, Week 10

Essential English (Applied Essential)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Extended response Signed/spoken response	Spoken/signed presentation of up to 6 minutes Notice of task – 3 weeks	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Common Internal Assessment	1½ hours plus 15 minutes of planning time	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Extended spoken response	Persuasive presentation of up to 6 minutes per student Notice of task – 3 weeks	Term 3, Week 6
FIA4	Extended response Written response	Up to 800 words Notice of task – 3 weeks	Term 4, Week 1

Essential Mathematics (Applied Essential)

File name	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Problem Solving and Modelling Task	Assignment – 10 hours in class time	Term 1, Week 9
FIA2	Examination	60 min + 5 planning: Examination	Term 2, Week 6
FIA3	Problem solving and modelling task	Assignment – 10 hours in class time	Term 3, Week 7
FIA4	Examination	60 min + 5 planning: Examination	Term 4, Week 3

Furnishing Skills (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	D	Practical Demonstration Visual evidence - Individual response	Cutting Board	Term 2, Week 2
FIA2	A	Project Product & Multimodal	Photo Frame	Term 2, Week 7
FIA3	A	Project Product & Multimodal	Wooden Esky	Term 3, Week 9

General Mathematics (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Problem Solving and Modelling Task	Assignment – 3 hours in class time	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Examination	2hr + 5 planning: Examination	Term 2, Week 6
FIA3	Examination	2hr + 5 planning: Examination	Term 3, Week 10

Health (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Analytical Exposition	1500–2000 words 10 hours of class time Individual Written	Term 2, Week 2
FIA2	Exam	600-800 words 2 hours of working time, 10-minute perusal. 1 A4 page of notes allowed	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Investigation – Action Research	1500–2000 words 10 hours of class time Individual Written	Term 3, Week 7
FIA4	Exam	600-800 words 2 hours of working time, 10-minute perusal. 1 A4 page of notes allowed	Term 3, Week 10

Hospitality Practices (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1		Practical Demonstration	Culinary Trends Practical demonstration: Practical demonstration: menu item Planning and evaluation: Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2		Project	Culinary Trends Practical demonstration: Practical demonstration: delivery of event Planning and evaluation: Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3		Practical Demonstration: Mocktail + Tapas	Bar + Barista Basics Practical demonstration: Practical demonstration: menu item Planning and evaluation: Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media	Term 3, Week 1
FIA4		Project: Bribie Beverage Bar	Bar + Barista Basics Practical demonstration: Practical demonstration: delivery of event Planning and evaluation: Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media	Term 3, Week 9

Legal Studies (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Examination – combination response (25%)	Combination response Time allowed - Planning time: 15 minutes - Working time: 120 minutes The teacher provides stimulus that: fits on one A3 page or equivalent	Term 1, Week 6
FIA2	Investigation – inquiry report (25%)	Inquiry report Time: this task is designed so that students can develop a response in approximately 15 hours of class time. Written: up to 2000 words	Term 2, Week 4
FIA3	Investigation – analytical essay (25%)	Investigation — analytical essay Time: this task is designed so that students can develop a response in approximately 15 hours of class time. Written: up to 2000 words	Term 3, Week 2
FIA4	Examination — combination response (25%)	Combination response Mode: written Time allowed - Planning time: 15 minutes - Working time: 120 minutes -	Term 3, Week 10

Literature (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Analytical Essay	800-1200 words	Term 1, Week 10
FIA2	Monologue	Up to 8 minutes Pre-recorded Four weeks' notice of task	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Short story	Up to 2000 words Six weeks' notice of task	Term 3, Week 4
FIA4	Analytical Essay - Exam	No word count 2 hours & 15 minutes planning	Term 3, Week 10

Marine Science (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA2	Student experiment	Project – 10 hours in class time Written (e.g. scientific report), 1500–2000 words	Term 1, Week 10
FIA1	Data test	Written task under exam conditions 60 min	Term 2, Week 3
FIA3	Research investigation	Project – 10 hours in class time Written (e.g. scientific essay), 1500–2000 words	Term 3, Week 3
FIA4	External examination	Written task under exam conditions 2 x 90 minutes papers; each with 10 min perusal	Term 3, Week 10

Mathematical Methods (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Problem Solving and Modelling Task	Assignment – 3 hours in class time	Term 1, Week 9
FIA2	Examination	2hr + 5 planning: Examination 1hr tech active, 1 hr tech inactive	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Examination	2hr + 5 planning: Examination 1hr tech active, 1 hr tech inactive	Term 3, Week 10

Modern History (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Examination –Short response (25%)	Short responses to historical sources. Mode: written Time allowed - Planning time: 15 minutes - Working time: 120 minutes Students must not take notes into the examination. The teacher provides - the seen sources one week before the examination - a clean copy of the stimulus at the start of the examination.	Term 1, Week 7
FIA2	Investigation (25%)	Independent Source Investigation Time: this task is designed so that students can develop a response in approximately 15 hours of class time. Length: up to 2000 words	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Investigation (25%)	Historical essay based on research Time: this task is designed so that students can develop a response in approximately 15 hours of class time. Length: up to 2000 words	Term 3, Week 4
FIA4	Examination — extended response (25%)	Examination — extended response Time allowed: Planning time: 15 minutes - Working time: 120 minutes Students must not take notes into the examination. The teacher provides - the seen sources one week before the examination - a clean copy of the stimulus at the start of the examination.	Term 3, Week 10

Music (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FA1	Performance	Performance of an approved song Individual or group 2-3 minutes	Term 1, Week 9
FA2	Composition	Composition in style/ genre of choice that includes a motif. Individual Composition: 1-minute minimum Written: 200 – 400 words	Term 2, Week 5
FA3	Musicology and Performance OR Musicology and Composition	Performance that explores identity Individual Performance: 2-3 minutes Written: 200 – 400 words Composition that explores identity Individual Composition: 1 – 2 minutes Written: 200 – 400 words	Term 3, Week 6
FA4	Exam	Exam	Term 3, Week 10

Music in Practice (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	B1	Project	Students perform cover of a contemporary song and incorporate the use of technology. Individual/ Group 3-4 minutes	Term 1, Week 7
FIA2	B2	Composition	Composition that uses technology/ innovative approaches to making music. Individual 1-minute minimum Written: 200 – 400 words	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	A2	Performance	Perform contemporary music that connects to school community Individual/ Group 3-4 minutes	Term 3, Week 6
FIA4	A1	Composition	Plan, compose and evaluate a contemporary song Individual Composition: 1-minute Written: 200 – 400 words	Term 3, Week 9

Physical Education (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Project - Folio	Multi Modal	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Exam	120 minutes - combination exam (multiple choice, short answer and long answer)	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Project - Folio	Multi modal Individual Students to obtain own footage	Term 3, Week 3
FIA4	Investigation - Report	Investigation Individual	Term 3, Week 10

Physics (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Data test	Written task under exam conditions 60 min	Term 1, Week 7
FIA3	Research investigation	Project – 10 hours in class time Written (e.g. scientific essay), 1500–2000 words	Term 2, Week 4
FIA2	Student experiment	Written task under exam conditions Written (e.g. scientific report), 1500–2000 words	Term 3, Week 8
FIA4	Examination	Written task under exam conditions 1x 90 minutes paper; with 10 min perusal	Term 3, Week 10

Specialist Mathematics (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Problem Solving and Modelling Task	Assignment – 3 hours in class time	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Examination	2hr + 5 planning: Examination 1hr tech active, 1 hr tech inactive	Term 2, Week 6
FIA3	Examination	2hr + 5 planning: Examination 1hr tech active, 1 hr tech inactive	Term 3, Week 9

Sport and Recreation (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Fitness for Sports and Recreation	Project	Investigation and session plan: One of the following Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 3 minutes, 6 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media Spoken: up to 3 minutes, or signed equivalent Written: up to 500 words	Term 1, Week 10
FIA2	Fitness for Sports and Recreation	Performance	Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 3 minutes, 6 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media Spoken up to 3 minutes, or signed equivalent Written up to 500 words	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Event Management	Project	Performance: up to 4 minutes Investigation, plan and evaluation: One of the following Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 3 minutes, 6 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media Spoken up to 3 minutes, or signed equivalent Written up to 500 words	Term 3, Week 9
FIA1	Event Management	Performance	Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 3 minutes, 6 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media Spoken up to 3 minutes, or signed equivalent Written up to 500 words	Term 3, Week 10

Visual Art (General)

	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	Investigation – Inquiry Phase 1	Written: 1000-1500 words OR Multimodal presentation: 7-9 minutes OR Digital Presentation: 8-10 A4 pages/slides	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	Project – Inquiry Phase 2	• Body of work: single or collection of resolved artworks • Artist's statement: each statement max of 150 words • Annotated resolved artwork/s Max of 200 words in annotations	Term 2, Week 5
FIA3	Project – Inquiry Phase 3	• Maximum 150 words per artist's statement (name, title, media and size are not included in word count) • Maximum 200 words in annotations for a single artwork or a collection of artworks	Term 3, Week 6
FIA4	Extended Response	(10min planning + 2h) Written: 800 – 1000 words Unseen stimulus	Term 3, Week 10

Visual Arts in Practice (Applied)

	Unit Option	Task Type	Conditions	Due dates for 2026
FIA1	A	Project	Experimental folio	Term 1, Week 8
FIA2	A	Resolved Artwork	Artwork	Term 2, Week 6
FIA3	B	Project	Experimental folio	Term 3, Week 2
FIA4	B	Resolved Artwork	Artwork	Term 3, Week 10

VET Certificates

Students will work through their Certificate competencies for the following VET Certificate courses:

- Certificate II in Construction Pathways
- Certificate II in Engineering Pathways
- Certificate II in Financial Services
- Certificate II in Hospitality
- Certificate II in Workplace Skills
- Certificate III in Business
- Certificate III in Information Technology
- Health and Communities Services

Education Qld – 2026 School calendar

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-  School holidays
  Public holidays
  Staff professional development/student free days
  Part public holiday after 6 pm

There are 195 school days in 2026.

Semester 1, 2026 commences for teachers on 22 January and for students on 27 January.

Staff professional development days

Staff professional development days for teachers are 22 and 23 January, 16 and 17 April and 4 September 2026. Schools are able to decide when they undertake the required hours for professional development for the flexible days, as long as they are on the flexible days, in the school holidays or out of school hours.

Public holidays

Queensland public holidays are set by the Minister for Industrial Relations.

Public holidays for local show days are not shown due to diversity of dates across the state.

Final dates for student attendance

20 November is the final date for Year 12 attendance for receipt of a Senior Statement. 27 November is the final date for student attendance in Years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the summer holidays on 4 December.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication but may be subject to change.

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