2021 HSC Simulated Marking Program

Giving rural and remote Stage 6 teachers an opportunity to undertake HSC marking professional learning in:

- English Advanced (Paper 2) Module C
- Business Studies (Core) Extended Response
- Mathematics Standard and Advanced – Short Answer Responses.

Program Overview

The HSC Simulated Marking Workshops provide professional learning to Stage 6 teachers on HSC marking procedures and processes. Using specialised materials and processes developed by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA), the program seeks to connect rural teachers with an increased understanding of high expectations for student learning and external marking protocols.

The program responds to Goal 6 and Goal 10 of the NSW Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018-2022, assisting students to be prepared for higher education and post-school pathways.

During the course of the one day workshop, participants will:

- be introduced to the expectations of HSC marking and protocols used by senior markers
- gain expert advice from senior markers on how to use online software to mark the HSC
- have an opportunity to practice marking using the online software using student responses from previous years
- collaborate with markers and other teachers around HSC marking moderation processes.
Professional Learning Benefits

• Gaining new knowledge, marking skills and understanding of marking processes used for:
  – English Advanced (Paper 2) Module C
  – Business Studies (Core) Extended Response
  – Mathematics Standard and Advanced – Short Answer Responses.

• Experience a range of examination responses across the course candidature.
• Gain deeper knowledge of course outcomes and syllabus content.
• Acquire deeper knowledge of questions used to assess student knowledge and abilities.

Support for Teachers and Schools

• Rural and Distance Education will provide $500 casual relief funding per successful department applicant to attend the professional learning.
• Course costs will be covered by Rural and Distance Education.
• Workshops will be coordinated and delivered remotely by NESA officials on the following dates:
  – Tuesday 25 May 2021
  – Thursday 27 May 2021
  – Tuesday 1 June 2021.

Application Details

Participants for this professional learning will be selected according to their rurality and location. Teacher eligibility to apply for the program will be determined by the State Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (SARIA). Note that teachers with a higher SARIA ranking to indicate remoteness will be prioritised for this program. Teachers working in schools with a SARIA ranking that indicates they are not remote are not eligible to apply for this program. These regions/areas include:
• Central Coast
• Newcastle
• Sydney
• Maitland (NSW)
Applications must be completed using the online Google Form. Applications for the program will close on Monday 10 May 2021 (5pm).

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