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MATSEC Examinations Board

Main/First 2027 Session Timetable

	ADVANCED MATRICULATION FIRST SESSION		INTERMEDIATE MATRICULATION FIRST SESSION		SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE MAIN SESSION		
	09:00	16:00	09:00	16:00	09:00	16:00	
Wednesday 21 April				Systems of Knowledge	Agribusiness	Information Technology	**Wednesday 21 April**
Thursday 22 April		Sociology I			Environmental Studies I	Environmental Studies II	**Thursday 22 April**
Friday 23 April		Sociology II		Sociology	Design & Technology I	Design & Technology II	**Friday 23 April**
Saturday 24 April	Maltese I	Maltese II	Maltese		Maltese as a Foreign Language I & Listening Comprehension/ Maltese I & Listening Comprehension	Maltese as a Foreign Language II & Listening Comprehension/ Maltese II	**Saturday 24 April**
Monday 26 April		Maltese III			Ethics I	Ethics II	**Monday 26 April**
Tuesday 27 April	Chemistry I	Chemistry II	Chemistry	Environmental Science	Chemistry I	Chemistry II	**Tuesday 27 April**
Wednesday 28 April	Economics I	Economics II		Economics	Economics I/Fashion and Textiles	Economics II	**Wednesday 28 April**
Thursday 29 April	Philosophy I	Philosophy II	Philosophy	Physical Education	Physical Education I	Physical Education II	**Thursday 29 April**
Friday 30 April	History I	History II	History		History I	History II	**Friday 30 April**
Monday 3 May	History III	French IV & I		French	French I & Listening Comprehension	French II & Listening Comprehension	**Monday 3 May**
Tuesday 4 May	Biology I	Biology II		Biology	Biology I	Biology II	**Tuesday 4 May**
Wednesday 5 May	Biology III	Marketing I			Engineering Technology	Health and Social Care	**Wednesday 5 May**
Thursday 6 May		Italian II		Italian	Italian I & Listening Comprehension	Italian II & Listening Comprehension	**Thursday 6 May**
Friday 7 May	French II	Marketing II		Marketing	Business Studies I	Business Studies II	**Friday 7 May**
Saturday 8 May	Pure Mathematics I		Pure Mathematics		Mathematics I	Mathematics II	**Saturday 8 May**
Monday 10 May	Pure Mathematics II	Arabic II/Italian I Part I (15:00)		Italian (List.) (17:00)	Arabic I & Listening Comprehension/Media Literacy Education	Arabic II & Listening Comprehension	**Monday 10 May**
Tuesday 11 May	Italian III	Spanish (List.) (15:00)		Spanish (List.) (16:00)	Spanish I & Listening Comprehension	Spanish II & Listening Comprehension	**Tuesday 11 May**
Wednesday 12 May				Psychology	Chinese (Mandarin) I & Listening Comprehension/Greek I	Chinese (Mandarin) II & Listening Comprehension/Greek II	**Wednesday 12 May**
Thursday 13 May	Computing I/Info Tech I	Music I			English Literature I	English Literature II	**Thursday 13 May**
Friday 14 May	Computing II/Info Tech II	French III	Computing/Info Tech		Computing I	Computing II	**Friday 14 May**
Saturday 15 May	English I	English III	English		English Language I & Listening Comprehension	English Language II	**Saturday 15 May**
Monday 17 May		English II	Applied Mathematics		Social Studies I	Social Studies II	**Monday 17 May**
Tuesday 18 May	Accounting I	Accounting II/Arabic III	Accounting	Arabic	Accounting I	Accounting II	**Tuesday 18 May**
Wednesday 19 May	Home Economics I	Geography I	Home Economics		Home Economics I	Home Economics II	**Wednesday 19 May**
Thursday 20 May	Home Economics II	Theatre and Performance I	Music (Part II)	Theatre and Performance	Theatre I	Theatre II	**Thursday 20 May**
Friday 21 May	Geography II	Theatre and Performance II	Geography		Geography I	Geography II	**Friday 21 May**
Saturday 22 May	Religious Knowledge I	Religious Knowledge II	Religious Knowledge		Religious Knowledge I	Religious Knowledge II	**Saturday 22 May**
Monday 24 May	German I	German II (List. & Reading)/Greek I		German (List.) (15:00)/Greek	European Studies I	European Studies II	**Monday 24 May**
Tuesday 25 May	Graphical Communication I	Graphical Communication II/Latin I	Engineering Drawing & Graphical Communication	Latin/Classical Studies	Graphical Communication I/Latin I	Graphical Communication II/Latin II	**Tuesday 25 May**
Wednesday 26 May	Spanish I/Latin II	German III/Greek II		German	German I & Listening Comprehension	German II & Listening Comprehension	**Wednesday 26 May**
Thursday 27 May	Music II (Part II)	Music III (performance/composition)/Spanish II	Music (Parts I & III)	Music (Part III cont.)	Music I/Hospitality	Music II	**Thursday 27 May**
Friday 28 May	Italian IV	Spanish III		Spanish	Dance I	Dance II	**Friday 28 May**
Saturday 29 May	Physics I	Physics II		Physics	Physics I	Physics II	**Saturday 29 May**
Monday 31 May		Art I		Art		Art I	**Monday 31 May**
Tuesday 1 June		Art II				Art II	**Tuesday 1 June**

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Friday 23 April		Sociology II		Sociology	Friday 23 April
Saturday 24 April	Maltese I	Maltese II	Maltese		Saturday 24 April
Monday 26 April		Maltese III			Monday 26 April
Tuesday 27 April	Chemistry I	Chemistry II	Chemistry	Environmental Science	Tuesday 27 April
Wednesday 28 April	Economics I	Economics II		Economics	Wednesday 28 April
Thursday 29 April	Philosophy I	Philosophy II	Philosophy	Physical Education	Thursday 29 April
Friday 30 April	History I	History II	History		Friday 30 April
Monday 3 May	History III	French IV & I		French	Monday 3 May
Tuesday 4 May	Biology I	Biology II		Biology	Tuesday 4 May
Wednesday 5 May	Biology III	Marketing I			Wednesday 5 May
Thursday 6 May		Italian II		Italian	Thursday 6 May
Friday 7 May	French II	Marketing II		Marketing	Friday 7 May
Saturday 8 May	Pure Mathematics I		Pure Mathematics		Saturday 8 May
Monday 10 May	Pure Mathematics II	Arabic II/Italian I Part I (15:00)		Italian (List.) (17:00)	Monday 10 May
Tuesday 11 May	Italian III	Spanish (List.) (15:00)		Spanish (List.) (16:00)	Tuesday 11 May
Wednesday 12 May				Psychology	Wednesday 12 May
Thursday 13 May	Computing I/Info Tech I	Music I			Thursday 13 May
Friday 14 May	Computing II/Info Tech II	French III	Computing/Info Tech		Friday 14 May
Saturday 15 May	English I	English III	English		Saturday 15 May
Monday 17 May		English II	Applied Mathematics		Monday 17 May
Tuesday 18 May	Accounting I	Accounting II/Arabic III	Accounting	Arabic	Tuesday 18 May
Wednesday 19 May	Home Economics I	Geography I	Home Economics		Wednesday 19 May
Thursday 20 May	Home Economics II	Theatre and Performance I	Music (Part II)	Theatre and Performance	Thursday 20 May
Friday 21 May	Geography II	Theatre and Performance II	Geography		Friday 21 May
Saturday 22 May	Religious Knowledge I	Religious Knowledge II	Religious Knowledge		Saturday 22 May
Monday 24 May	German I	German II (List. & Reading)/Greek I		German (List.) (15:00)/Greek	Monday 24 May
Tuesday 25 May	Graphical Communication I	Graphical Communication II/Latin I	Engineering Drawing & Graphical Communication	Latin/Classical Studies	Tuesday 25 May
Wednesday 26 May	Spanish I/Latin II	German III/Greek II		German	Wednesday 26 May
Thursday 27 May	Music II (Part II)	Music III (performance/composition)/Spanish II	Music (Parts I & III)	Music (Part III cont.)	Thursday 27 May
Friday 28 May	Italian IV	Spanish III		Spanish	Friday 28 May
Saturday 29 May	Physics I	Physics II		Physics	Saturday 29 May
Monday 31 May		Art I		Art	Monday 31 May
Tuesday 1 June		Art II			Tuesday 1 June

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Main 2027 Session Timetable

	SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE MAIN SESSION		
	09:00	16:00	
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Thursday 22 April	Environmental Studies I	Environmental Studies II	Thursday 22 April
Friday 23 April	Design & Technology I	Design & Technology II	Friday 23 April
Saturday 24 April	Maltese as a Foreign Language I & Listening Comprehension/Maltese I & Listening Comprehension	Maltese as a Foreign Language II & Listening Comprehension/Maltese II	Saturday 24 April
Monday 26 April	Ethics I	Ethics II	Monday 26 April
Tuesday 27 April	Chemistry I	Chemistry II	Tuesday 27 April
Wednesday 28 April	Economics I/Fashion and Textiles	Economics II	Wednesday 28 April
Thursday 29 April	Physical Education I	Physical Education II	Thursday 29 April
Friday 30 April	History I	History II	Friday 30 April
Monday 3 May	French I & Listening Comprehension	French II & Listening Comprehension	Monday 3 May
Tuesday 4 May	Biology I	Biology II	Tuesday 4 May
Wednesday 5 May	Engineering Technology	Health and Social Care	Wednesday 5 May
Thursday 6 May	Italian I & Listening Comprehension	Italian II & Listening Comprehension	Thursday 6 May
Friday 7 May	Business Studies I	Business Studies II	Friday 7 May
Saturday 8 May	Mathematics I	Mathematics II	Saturday 8 May
Monday 10 May	Arabic I & Listening Comprehension/Media Literacy Education	Arabic II & Listening Comprehension	Monday 10 May
Tuesday 11 May	Spanish I & Listening Comprehension	Spanish II & Listening Comprehension	Tuesday 11 May
Wednesday 12 May	Chinese (Mandarin) I & Listening Comprehension/Greek I	Chinese (Mandarin) II & Listening Comprehension/Greek II	Wednesday 12 May
Thursday 13 May	English Literature I	English Literature II	Thursday 13 May
Friday 14 May	Computing I	Computing II	Friday 14 May
Saturday 15 May	English Language I & Listening Comprehension	English Language II	Saturday 15 May
Monday 17 May	Social Studies I	Social Studies II	Monday 17 May
Tuesday 18 May	Accounting I	Accounting II	Tuesday 18 May
Wednesday 19 May	Home Economics I	Home Economics II	Wednesday 19 May
Thursday 20 May	Theatre I	Theatre II	Thursday 20 May
Friday 21 May	Geography I	Geography II	Friday 21 May
Saturday 22 May	Religious Knowledge I	Religious Knowledge II	Saturday 22 May
Monday 24 May	European Studies I	European Studies II	Monday 24 May
Tuesday 25 May	Graphical Communication I/Latin I	Graphical Communication II/Latin II	Tuesday 25 May
Wednesday 26 May	German I & Listening Comprehension	German II & Listening Comprehension	Wednesday 26 May
Thursday 27 May	Music I/Hospitality	Music II	Thursday 27 May
Friday 28 May	Dance I	Dance II	Friday 28 May
Saturday 29 May	Physics I	Physics II	Saturday 29 May
Monday 31 May		Art I	Monday 31 May
Tuesday 1 June		Art II	Tuesday 1 June

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ORAL EXAMINATIONS

Advanced Matriculation Orals	
Maltese	Saturday 20 March
	Tuesday 23 March
	Thursday 1 April
	Tuesday 6 April
Italian	Saturday 20 March
English	Monday 22 March
	Monday 5 April
	Thursday 8 April
	Wednesday 14 April
	Monday 19 April
French	Wednesday 14 April
Arabic/German/Spanish	Friday 16 April
Music II Part I	Monday 31 May

Intermediate Matriculation Orals	
English	Thursday 18 March
	Friday 2 April
	Wednesday 7 April
	Friday 9 April
	Tuesday 13 April
Italian	Saturday 3 April
French	Monday 5 April
Maltese	Saturday 10 April
	Tuesday 20 April
Arabic/German/Spanish	Tuesday 20 April

SEC Reading & Conversation	
Maltese/Italian/ Maltese as a Foreign Language	Friday 2 April
	Wednesday 7 April
	Friday 9 April
	Tuesday 13 April
	Wednesday 14 April
	Saturday 17 April
English/French	Tuesday 23 March
	Thursday 1 April
	Saturday 3 April
	Tuesday 6 April
	Monday 12 April
	Thursday 15 April
Arabic/Chinese/German/ Spanish	Thursday 18 March
	Monday 22 March
	Thursday 8 April
	Wednesday 21 April

PRACTICAL EXAMINATIONS

Advanced Matriculation Practicals	
Theatre and Performance	Tuesday 1 June
	Wednesday 2 June
	Thursday 3 June
	Friday 4 June
	Tuesday 8 June
	Wednesday 9 June
	Thursday 10 June
	Friday 11 June
Physics	Tuesday 1 June
Biology	Thursday 3 June
Chemistry	Thursday 10 June

Intermediate Matriculation Practicals	
Theatre and Performance	Tuesday 1 June
	Wednesday 2 June
	Thursday 3 June
	Friday 4 June
	Tuesday 8 June
	Wednesday 9 June
	Thursday 10 June
	Friday 11 June

SEC Performance	
Dance/Music/Theatre	Tuesday 1 June
	Wednesday 2 June
	Thursday 3 June
	Friday 4 June
	Tuesday 8 June
	Wednesday 9 June
	Thursday 10 June
	Friday 11 June

PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXAMINATIONS

Intermediate Matriculation Activities	
All Activities	Thursday 15 April

SEC Activities	
All Activities	Wednesday 7 April
	Thursday 8 April
	Friday 9 April
	Monday 12 April
	Tuesday 13 April

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FIRST 2027 SESSION NOTICES

Advanced Matriculation

1 General Notices

1.1 Registration Dates

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1.1.1 Late and Very Late Registrations

Late registrations will be accepted online on *www.um.edu.mt/matsec/register* **between 09:00 on Wednesday 11 November and Thursday 12 November 2026 noon**. Fees apply.

Very late registrations may be accepted as **from Monday 4 January 2027** in some subjects only and close unannounced. Additional fees apply.

All registered candidates will receive a confirmation email stating their personal details, the subjects registered for, whether any past coursework/SBA marks were retained and their Index number.

1.2 Changes in Registration details

Requests for changes in registration details made **after Thursday 12 November 2026 noon** will incur additional charges.

1.3 Individual Timetables

Following registration, candidates will be informed individually about the venue details for oral, aural, practical and written examinations.

1.4 Clashes

MATSEC will not make any arrangements in case of clashes with examinations of other boards. Colleges/schools are advised to take note of examination dates before staging school activities for candidates sitting for MATSEC examinations on the prescribed dates as alterations will not be considered. Candidates may request arrangements due to a clash between MATSEC examinations to have their exam times adjusted to allow them to sit for both examinations consecutively on the same day. To sit for the second exam, such candidates must sit for the first examination in full and will not be permitted to leave the exam room until the end of the first examination.

1.5 Further information

Candidates are to note that where multiple dates are listed in the timetable for oral/aural/practical examinations in the same subject, examinations may not be scheduled on all dates.

A candidates' guidebook is available for download from *www.um.edu.mt/matsec/guidelines-policies*.

2 Subject Specific Details

2.1 AM Art

All candidates sitting for AM Art are to present their Controlled Task to MATSEC or the Examinations Centre Victoria, Gozo, **between Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon**. The controlled task must be submitted electronically, in line with guidelines stated in the syllabus.

2.2 AM Biology

All candidates sitting for AM Biology are to upload scanned practical reports in a PDF format **between Monday 3 May and Monday 17 May 2027 noon**. All practical reports must be submitted as one PDF file, clearly labelled with the Candidate's ID Number (no brackets, spaces, or additional characters (e.g. 0123456L)).

Candidates are to review their work carefully before submission to ensure that the file is not corrupted and all guidelines are being followed. Submissions which do not follow these instructions will not be considered and may lead to no marks being assigned for this component.

Further guidelines about the submission process and other necessary information will be communicated directly to the candidates through email in due course.

2.3 AM Information Technology/AM Computing

Head of schools are to upload a soft copy of their school candidates' coursework on the MATSEC portal **between Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon**. All parts of each candidates' coursework must be placed in one zipped folder.

Private candidates are to submit a copy of their work at MATSEC or University Gozo Campus, Xewkija in a soft copy format using portable media (a USB stick). All work must be submitted in one folder, clearly labelled with the Candidate's ID Number (no brackets, spaces, or additional characters (e.g. 0123456L). Any documents and/or files must be placed in this folder.

Candidates are to review their submission carefully before handing it in to ensure that the file is not corrupted and all guidelines are being followed. Submissions which do not follow these instructions will not be considered and may lead to no marks being assigned for this component.

2.4 AM Music

All AM Music candidates will be contacted through their registered email to indicate whether they will be choosing **Performance** or **Composition** on the online form at the time of registration. They are to present **two copies of the composition** (if chosen) to MATSEC or the Examinations Centre Victoria, Gozo **by Tuesday 27 April 2027 noon**. Candidates choosing performance are to indicate the choice of instrument on the online form after registration.

2.5 AM Theatre and Performance

AM Theatre and Performance private candidates shall be contacted through their registered email, in due course, to indicate the venue in which they will be conducting their performance exam. Candidates who do not submit their choice by **the given deadline** will not be scheduled for their performance examination. More details shall be sent to the candidates' registered email address.

3 Coursework

3.1 School Candidates' Project Marks

Heads of School are to send the coursework assessment marks to MATSEC for the following subjects **between Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon**:

- AM Art
- AM Computing
- AM Geography
- AM Graphical Communication
- AM Home Economics and Human Ecology
- AM Information Technology

Moderation of coursework in schools will take place **between Monday 5 April and Friday 16 April 2027**, **both dates inclusive**.

3.2 Private Candidates' Projects

Private candidates sitting for the following subjects are to present their project to MATSEC or the Examinations Centre Victoria, Gozo **between 8:00 on Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon, both dates inclusive**:

- AM Art
- AM Geography
- AM Graphical Communication
- AM Home Economics and Human Ecology
- AM Information Technology

Coursework is to be presented in a special folder obtainable from MATSEC, except for AM Art *(refer to syllabus)*.

3.2.1 Private Candidates' Coursework Interviews

All coursework submitted by private candidates will be assessed by the Board of Examiners for the subject. All candidates may be called for an interview regarding their coursework. Interviews will be held **between Monday 5 April and Friday 16 April 2027, both dates inclusive**.

Specific dates for interviews will be scheduled per subject (where applicable). Candidates will be given an appointment for the interview on a specific date within this period. Appointment dates shall be uploaded in the 'Current Session Information' section on the MATSEC website prior to the coursework interview period. **The date cannot be changed.**

3.2.2 Private Candidates' Coursework Collection

Coursework submitted to MATSEC is to be collected by the candidates themselves on presentation of their Identity card **between Wednesday 18 August and Thursday 19 August 2027, from 07:30 – 12:00**. Requests by candidates for consideration to collect their coursework/portfolio after these dates must be submitted **before Thursday 19 August 2027**. Fees apply.

The MATSEC Board reserves the right to keep any of the works submitted by candidates. Uncollected coursework will be destroyed.

4 Examination Access Arrangements (EAA)

4.1 EAA Registration Dates

Candidates are to apply online for Examination Access Arrangements **by Friday 6 November 2026 noon**, on *www.um.edu.mt/matsec/register*. Information on how to apply may be found through the same link. Candidates who had access arrangements in a previous session are also required to apply by submitting Form A and any other documentation where appliable.

4.1.1 Late and Very Late EAA Registrations

Late registrations for Examination Access Arrangements will be accepted with late examination registrations **between 09:00 Wednesday 11 November and Thursday 12 November 2026 noon**. Late fees apply.

Very late registrations for Examination Access Arrangements after these dates, will be accepted with very late examination registrations and close unannounced. Very late fees apply.

5 Contingency Days

5.1 Examination Contingency Days

MATSEC may be required to move an exam/s for all candidates if circumstances beyond MATSEC's control prevent examination/s from being held on the original date. Candidates must remain available to sit examinations up through the final contingency date. The contingency days cannot be used for individual candidate issues such as but not limited to late arrival to the examination venue, personal illness, or timetable clashes. The contingency days for the FIRST 2027 session are:

- Monday 19 April 2027
- Wednesday 2 June 2027
- Tuesday 15 June 2027

FIRST 2027 SESSION NOTICES
Intermediate Matriculation

1 General Notices

1.1 Registration Dates

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All registered candidates will receive a confirmation email stating their personal details, the subjects registered for, whether any past coursework/SBA marks were retained and their Index number.

1.2 Changes in Registration details

Requests for changes in registration details made **after Thursday 12 November 2026 noon** will incur additional charges.

1.3 Individual Timetables

Following registration, candidates will be informed individually about the venue details for oral, aural, practical and written examinations.

1.4 Clashes

MATSEC will not make any arrangements in case of clashes with examinations of other boards. Colleges/schools are advised to take note of examination dates before staging school activities for candidates sitting for MATSEC examinations on the prescribed dates as alterations will not be considered. Candidates may request arrangements due to a clash between MATSEC examinations to have their exam times adjusted to allow them to sit for both examinations consecutively on the same day. To sit for the second exam, such candidates must sit for the first examination in full and will not be permitted to leave the exam room until the end of the first examination.

1.5 Further information

Candidates are to note that where multiple dates are listed in the timetable for oral/aural/practical examinations in the same subject, examinations may not be scheduled on all dates.

A candidates' guidebook is available for download from *www.um.edu.mt/matsec/guidelines-policies*.

2 Subject Specific Details

2.1 IM Art

All IM Art candidates are to indicate whether for Part II Section A – Work from Observation – they will be choosing **Option (i) Still-life with Man-made and Natural forms** or **Option (ii) the Human Figure**, on the online form at the time of registration.

All candidates sitting for IM Art are to present their Controlled Task to MATSEC or the Examinations Centre Victoria, Gozo, **between Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon**. The controlled task must be submitted electronically, in line with guidelines stated in the syllabus.

2.2 IM Information Technology/IM Computing

Head of schools are to upload a soft copy of their school candidates' coursework on the MATSEC portal **between Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon**. All parts of each candidates' coursework must be placed in one zipped folder.

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Candidates are to review their submission carefully before handing it in to ensure that the file is not corrupted and all guidelines are being followed. Submissions which do not follow these instructions will not be considered and may lead to no marks being assigned for this component.

2.3 IM Music

All IM Music candidates will be contacted through their registered email address to indicate whether they will be choosing **Performance** or **Composition** on the online form at the time of registration. They are to present **two copies of the composition** (if chosen) to MATSEC or the Examinations Centre Victoria, Gozo **by Tuesday 27 April 2027 noon**. Candidates choosing performance are to indicate the choice of instrument on the online form after registration.

2.4 IM Theatre and Performance

IM Theatre and Performance private candidates will be contacted through their registered email address, in due course, to indicate the venue in which they will be conducting their performance exam. Candidates who do not submit their choice **by the given deadline** will not be scheduled for their performance examination. More details shall be sent to the candidates' registered email address.

3 Coursework

3.1 School Candidates' Project Marks

Heads of School are to send the coursework assessment marks to MATSEC for the following subjects **between Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon**:

- IM Art
- IM Computing
- IM Information Technology
- IM Systems of Knowledge

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3.2 Private Candidates' Projects

Private candidates sitting for the following subjects are to present their project to MATSEC or the Examinations Centre Victoria, Gozo **between 8:00 on Monday 1 March and Wednesday 17 March 2027 noon, both dates inclusive**:

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- Wednesday 2 June 2027
- Tuesday 15 June 2027

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MAIN 2027 SESSION NOTICES
Secondary Education Certificate

1 General Notices

1.1 Registration Dates

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All registered candidates will receive a confirmation email stating their personal details, the subjects registered for, whether any past SBA marks were retained and their Index number.

1.2 Assessment Paper Options

Candidates are to ensure they sit for all the assessment components indicated in the **Scheme of Assessment** available within the syllabus of each subject they register for. Syllabi are downloadable from *https://um.edu.mt/matsec/syllabi.*

- **SEC school candidates** sit for **Paper II only**.
- **SEC private candidates** sit for **both Paper I and Paper II**.

All candidates are to indicate the Paper II level choice during the online registration process, **except for vocational subjects**. Candidates are to register as school candidates only if they are registering for the subject for the first time and they wish that their current school submits the school-based assessment mark to MATSEC.

1.3 Changes in Registration details

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1.4 Individual Timetables

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1.6 Further information

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2 Subject Specific Details

2.1 SEC Art Private Candidates

The Themes of the SEC Art private candidates will be published on the MATSEC website **by Monday 5 April 2027**. Candidates are to hand in the work journal at the end of the SEC Art Paper II examination session in a standard A3 file.

2.2 SEC Music

All SEC Music candidates will be contacted through their registered email address to indicate the choice of instrument on the online form after registration. Candidates who do not reply to this email will not be registered for this component.

2.3 SEC Physical Education

All SEC Physical Education candidates shall be requested, in due course, to indicate their practical activities choice electronically. Candidates who do not submit their choice **by Friday 27 November 2026 noon** will not be scheduled for the practical component of the examination. More details shall be sent to the candidates' registered email address.

3 School-Based Assessment (SBA)

3.1 School Candidates' SBA Marks

Heads of School are to submit the school-based assessment marks on the MATSEC portal for all subjects **between Monday 5 April and Friday 16 April 2027 noon**. Further guidance will be provided in due course.

4 Coursework

4.1 School Candidates' Portfolio Marks and Material

Heads of School are to upload the coursework assessment marks to MATSEC for the following subjects by **between Monday 1 March and Friday 12 March 2027 noon**:

- SEC Agribusiness
- SEC Engineering Technology
- SEC Fashion and Textiles
- SEC Health and Social Care
- SEC Hospitality
- SEC Information Technology
- SEC Media Literacy Education

Heads of school are to upload the coursework selected for moderation **between Monday 5 April and Friday 16 April 2027**, **both dates inclusive**.

5 Examination Access Arrangements (EAA)

5.1 EAA Registration Dates

Candidates are to apply online for Examination Access Arrangements **by Friday 6 November 2026 noon**, on *www.um.edu.mt/matsec/register*. Information on how to apply may be found through the same link. Candidates who had access arrangements in a previous session are also required to apply by submitting Form A and any other documentation where appliable.

5.1.1 Late and Very Late EAA Registrations

Late registrations for Examination Access Arrangements will be accepted with late examination registrations **between 09:00 Wednesday 11 November and Thursday 12 November 2026 noon**. Late fees apply.

Very late registrations for Examination Access Arrangements after these dates, will be accepted with very late examination registrations and close unannounced. Very late fees apply.

6 Contingency Days

6.1 Examination Contingency Days

MATSEC may be required to move an exam/s for all candidates if circumstances beyond MATSEC's control prevent examination/s from being held on the original date. Candidates must remain available to sit **examinations** up through the final contingency date. The contingency days cannot be used for individual candidate issues such as but not limited to late arrival to the examination venue, personal illness, or timetable clashes. The contingency days for the MAIN 2027 session are:

- Monday 19 April 2027
- Wednesday 2 June 2027
- Tuesday 15 June 2027