

## **Assessment reforms in Hong Kong**

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In many nations around the world, reforms are underway to allow more students to participate in senior secondary education and to better prepare them for life in the modern world. In Hong Kong, after some five years of consultation and discussion, a consensus has been reached regarding a series of reforms that will be implemented in the coming years. The academic structure will be changed to allow all students to complete senior secondary education. The curriculum will be changed so that all students will take four core subjects and two or three elective subjects. Assessment will change to incorporate a component of statistically moderated school-based assessment and to introduce standards-referenced methods of reporting achievement. This paper provides an overview of these reforms.