# DEFINITION OF THE EVALUATION DOMAIN

# Adult General Education

Sociovocational Integration

CHOOSING A TYPE OF WORK

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## Introduction

The Definition of the Evaluation Domain (DED) ensures consistency between a course and the related evaluation instruments. The DED is used to select, organize and describe the essential and representative elements of the course. The DED is based on the program of study and the course, but should by no means replace them in the planning of instructional activities.

All the DEDs produced after June 30, 2014, by the Ministère de l'Éducation, de l'Enseignement supérieur et de la Recherche (MEESR) are prescriptive. Consequently, they are the reference documents to be used in the development of all examinations, be they ministerial or those developed by adult education centres or by Société GRICS (BIM). The DEDs thus serve as a model for preparing multiple equivalent versions of examinations that are valid across the province.<sup>1</sup>

In addition, as set out in the *Policy on the Evaluation of Learning*, adult learners must know what they will be evaluated on and what is expected of them.<sup>2</sup> The DEDs and the criterion-referenced rubrics (contained in the evaluation instruments) may be used for this purpose.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Québec, Ministère de l'Éducation du Québec, *Policy on the Evaluation of Learning* (Québec: Gouvernement du Québec, 2003), 47.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid., 9.

# **Evaluation Content**

General I	nformation
Broad Area of Learning <ul> <li>World of Work</li> </ul> <li>Subject Area <ul> <li>Working Life</li> </ul> </li> <li>Class of Situations <ul> <li>Choosing a type of work</li> </ul> </li> <li>Essential Elements Tag</li>	<ul> <li>Program of Study</li> <li>Sociovocational Integration</li> <li>Course</li> <li>Choosing a Type of Work</li> </ul>
Deals competently with real-life situations that involve choosing a type of work	<ul> <li>Categories of Knowledge</li> <li>Identification of subjective factors to be considered in choosing a type of work</li> <li>Identification of objective factors to be considered in choosing a type of work</li> <li>Characteristics of entrepreneurship</li> <li>Characteristics of paid work</li> <li>Characteristics of volunteer work</li> <li>Career goal as it relates to choosing a type of work</li> <li>Action plan for choosing a type of work</li> </ul>
Evaluation	Criteria
<ul> <li>Evaluation Criteria for the Competency</li> <li>1. Determines the relevant factors to be considered in choosing a type of work</li> <li>2. Draws up a realistic career plan for choosing a type of work</li> </ul>	Proficiency in Essential Knowledge Proficiency in essential knowledge presupposes its acquisition, understanding, application and mobilization, and is therefore linked with the evaluation criteria for the competencies.

# **Explanation of the Evaluation Content**

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

The evaluation criteria are stated exactly as in the course.

Information Clarifying the Evaluation Criteria

- 1. Determines the relevant factors to be considered in choosing a type of work
  - Determines the subjective factors to be considered in choosing a type of work
  - Determines the objective factors to be considered in choosing a type of work
- 2. Draws up a realistic career plan for choosing a type of work
  - Establishes a career goal as it relates to choosing a type of work
  - Develops an action plan for choosing a type of work

#### Proficiency in Essential Knowledge

Proficiency in essential knowledge is assessed through the evaluation of competencies, using tasks related to the evaluation criteria.

#### Weighting

The weighting assigned to the competency is 100%.

The weighting of the evaluation criteria appears in the assessment tools provided in the *Correction and Evaluation Guide*. Adult learners must be made aware of the evaluation criteria used to evaluate them and the corresponding weighting of each criterion.

#### Knowledge

At a minimum, the examination must cover the following knowledge:

Categories of Knowledge	Knowledge
Identification of subjective factors to be considered in choosing a type of work	<ul> <li>Areas of interest</li> <li>Aptitudes</li> <li>Values</li> <li>Personal qualities</li> <li>Needs and motivation</li> <li>Training</li> <li>Experience (employment, volunteering, leisure activities)</li> </ul>
Identification of objective factors to be considered in choosing a type of work	<ul> <li>Physical and psychological condition</li> <li>Financial situation</li> <li>Family situation</li> <li>Availability for work</li> <li>Job mobility</li> <li>Work materials and tools</li> </ul>
Career goal as it relates to choosing a type of work	<ul> <li>First choice</li> <li>Clearly and precisely stated choice that can be achieved within a specific time frame</li> </ul>
Action plan for choosing a type of work	<ul> <li>Means of achieving a career goal</li> <li>Internal and external resources</li> <li>Deadlines</li> <li>Possible pitfalls and obstacles</li> <li>Alternative solutions</li> </ul>

The examination must also cover at least one of the following categories of knowledge:

Categories of Knowledge	Knowledge
Characteristics of entrepreneurship	<ul> <li>Entrepreneurial values</li> <li>Needs and motivation of a typical entrepreneur</li> <li>Working conditions</li> <li>Requirements of entrepreneurship</li> </ul>
Characteristics of paid work	<ul> <li>Values associated with paid work</li> <li>Needs and motivation of a paid worker</li> <li>Working conditions</li> <li>Requirements of paid work</li> </ul>
Characteristics of volunteer work	<ul> <li>Values associated with volunteer work</li> <li>Needs and motivation of a volunteer</li> <li>Working conditions</li> <li>Requirements of volunteer work</li> </ul>

## **Specifications for the Evaluation Instruments**

#### Examination: Number of Parts, Sections, Procedure and Duration

The examination may be administered in one or two parts, at a time deemed appropriate by the teacher.

The teacher determines the duration of the examination, according to the instrument(s) used. In total, no more than three hours may be allotted for the evaluation of this course. The adult learner must be informed of the duration of the examination, or of part of the examination, ahead of time.

#### **Examination Content**

The examination as a whole must allow the teacher to assess the two evaluation criteria.

The examination, or part of the examination, may be completed in writing, orally, or in action. It may take the form of:

- the presentation of a production, for example, a research paper, a logbook, a portfolio
- a questionnaire
- a table
- a case study
- an interview
- an oral presentation

In all cases, the teacher must make a judgment at the end of the course. This judgment must be supported by the teacher's observations of the adult's actions during the course.

The teacher must recognize the adult's production(s) as authentic.

#### Information-Gathering Tools

The information-gathering tools are selected by the teacher according to the type of examination administered.

#### Authorized Materials

The teacher will prepare a list of permitted materials for the examination and, if necessary, will specify which materials are required.

#### Assessment Tools

For the evaluation of the competency to deal competently with real-life situations that involve choosing a type of work, the criterion-referenced rubric is the assessment tool used by the teacher. In criterion-referenced interpretation, the information gathered is compared with the outcomes expected of the adult learner.<sup>3</sup> The rubrics are appended to the *Correction and Evaluation Guide* and include the following rating scale:

- > Excellent
- Very good
- > Good
- Weak
- > Very weak

#### Pass Mark

The pass mark is 60% for <u>each of the evaluation criteria</u>, which corresponds to level "Good" in the criterion-referenced rubric. The result for the competency must be expressed as a "Pass" or "Fail."

#### Retakes

The adult learner may retake the part(s) of the examination he or she failed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Québec, Ministère de l'Éducation, *Policy on the Evaluation of Learning* (Québec: Gouvernement du Québec, 2003), 28-29.

