

**THE CONTENT VALIDITY OF WAEC QUESTION PAPERS
FOR THE SSSCE IN GHANA: 1997-2000**

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ABSTRACT

The significance of the Senior Secondary School Certificate Examination (SSSCE) called for the need to ascertain its content validity. An earlier study on the Predictive Validity of the SSSCE also strongly recommended the need to empirically ascertain the content validity of the SSSCE. It was as a result of this recommendation that this study was undertaken.

After a detailed scrutiny of all the documents relevant to the SSSCE questions, and particularly the examination questions for English Language, Mathematics, Chemistry, Economics and Clothing & Textiles for 1997 to 2000, it was found that the SSSCE has sufficient content validity. However, quite a number of lapses were discovered that require urgent correction. Consequently, the Panels offered some recommendations that could further enhance the content validity of the SSSCE.