



ST PATRICK'S COLLEGE
TOWNSVILLE

Curriculum Handbook

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FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - ACADEMIC

TO STUDENTS

This handbook is designed to provide you with information about subjects which may be offered at St Patrick's College Townsville. It will help you in the process of selecting the course of study that best suits your individual pathway.

As you progress through secondary schooling and into Years 11 and 12, the demands and expectations will increase. You are the person responsible for your study and the results that you achieve.

Parents/Guardians and teachers can offer guidance and support, but ultimately your success will rely on your ability to apply yourself to your studies, establish good study habits, set goals, revise work consistently and persevere.

Teachers, Heads of Faculty, Heads of House and Year Level, the Head of Faculty Careers and Vocational Education and I are very happy to answer questions that you may have and provide further information to support you to make well-informed decisions about your course selection.

TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

St Patrick's College Townsville aims to provide a rich and varied curriculum for our students with a high degree of relevance to their needs and chosen pathways.

This handbook is just a starting point. Teachers are available to provide any information you may require to help your daughter with her course selection. Course and careers information may be obtained from various sources, including tertiary institutions, the Learning Hub, our Careers Office and the [St Patrick's College Townsville Careers Website](#). Please feel free to contact myself or the Head of Faculty - Careers and Vocational Education for information and assistance. Please also note that we will endeavour to offer all subjects, however, the timetable and subject offerings will be dependent on the combination of student preferences, student numbers and resourcing.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amy Byrnes'.

Amy Byrnes
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - ACADEMIC

CURRICULUM MATRIX

	YEAR 10 PATHWAY	YEAR 11 & 12
CAREERS AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Careers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate III Business** Dual Qualification: Certificate II Health Support Services /Certificate II Community Services, Certificate III Health Services Assistance** Certificate II in Sport and Recreation/Certificate III in Sport and Recreation** Other TAFE/Private Provider Options*** Careers
DRAMATIC ARTS & PERFORMANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dance Drama 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drama
ENGLISH & LANGUAGES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Essential English* Japanese 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Essential English* Japanese
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical Education Sport and Recreation* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical Education
HOSPITALITY & FUNCTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hospitality Practices* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hospitality Practices*
HUMANITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accounting Economics Geography History Legal Studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accounting Ancient History Economics Geography Legal Studies Modern History
MATHEMATICS & DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Mathematics Mathematical Methods Essential Mathematics* Engineering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Mathematics Mathematical Methods Essential Mathematics* Specialist Mathematics Engineering
MUSIC & PERFORMANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Music in Practice* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Music in Practice* Music Extension (Units 3 and 4 only)
PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Development
RELIGION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study of Religion Religion and Ethics* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study of Religion Religion and Ethics* Religion, Meaning & Life*
SCIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical Science – Physics/Chemistry Natural Science – Biology/Marine Science 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology Chemistry Marine Science Physics Aquatic Practices*
SPORT & FITNESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health & Fitness 	
VISUAL ARTS & EXHIBITIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual Art Visual Arts in Practice* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual Art

* Applied Subjects

** Vocational Qualifications – delivered as a timetabled subject in Year 11 and 12. Please liaise with the Head of Faculty – Careers and Vocational Education in regards to these qualifications.

***There are other external courses available through TAFE and Private Providers. These can include apprenticeships and school-based traineeships. These options can be investigated in consultation with the Head of Careers/Vocational Education.

* Religion, Meaning & Life is a non-timetabled course that does not contribute to an ATAR or QCE credits.

Please Note: The College reserves the right to withdraw a subject if the numbers are too small for it to be viable.

YEAR 11 & 12

Our College provides a range of curriculum offerings in Year 11 & 12 across General Subjects, Applied Subjects and Vocational Courses. It is important for students to choose senior subjects carefully as their decisions may affect not only the types of careers they can follow, but also success at school.

CONSIDERATIONS WHEN CHOOSING SUBJECTS

Goals

What are you aiming for? Do you have a definite tertiary course in mind? If so, are there any subjects which you must study as prerequisites for entry?

Enjoyment

Take subjects you enjoy and in which you do well.

Keep Your Options Open

If you are not sure what you want to do after school, then you should keep as many options as possible open, and select a broad range of subjects.

Choose a Course of Study to Suit Yourself

Before finally deciding on your subjects, discuss your preferences with your parents/guardians and with members of staff. It may also be helpful to discuss the subject with senior students currently studying it; however, do not select subjects on the basis of other people's value judgements.

Consider the Most Strategic Pathway (ATAR or non-ATAR)

a. ATAR PATHWAY – Option 1

The typical study program for an ATAR student at our College is 6 General Subjects, this includes:

- General English
- Mathematical Methods/General Mathematics
- Study of Religion
- 3 General Subjects

b. ATAR PATHWAY – Option 2

5 General Subjects with Religion & Ethics*^

- General English
- Mathematical Methods/General Mathematics
- Religion & Ethics*
- 3 General Subjects

c. ATAR PATHWAY – Option 3

6 General Subjects (Not including SOR) + Religion, Meaning & Life*

- General English
- Mathematical Methods/General Mathematics
- 4 General Subjects
- Religion, Meaning & Life*

d. VOCATIONAL PATHWAY

- Up to 3 General Subjects
- Minimum 1 x Certificate III Course
- Religion & Ethics* (Or Study of Religion as one of their General Subjects)

***Applied Subject**

^ ATAR students wishing to only select R&E as their sixth subject will need to meet with the Deputy Principal – Academic to approve this plan of study.

* Religion, Meaning & Life is a non-timetabled course that does not contribute to an ATAR or QCE credits. This option requires a student to be a motivated, independent and organised learner. More details about this course are contained in the Year 11 & 12 Curriculum Handbook. Students who wish to apply for this alternative study plan are required to meet with the College Principal.

Please note, alternative study programs can be negotiated through the Studies Office

Utilise Resources

Make good use of Heads of Faculty and Heads of House or Year Level, Teachers, the Head of Faculty - Careers and Vocational Education, Careers Centre, and Internet sites such as:

- [St Patrick's College Townsville Careers](#)
- [Queensland Tertiary Courses](#)
- [ATAR fact sheet subject-prereqs-2.pdf \(qtac.edu.au\)](#)
- [Learning Hub](#)
- [Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority \(QCAA\)](#)

By checking this information, you will become aware of the distinction between:

- Prerequisite subjects – must be taken for future courses or careers
- Recommended subjects – not essential, but may make future courses easier
- Assumed Knowledge – not essential, but give a general background or help develop particular skills.

Changing Subjects

During Year 11 & 12, students become more aware of their abilities and interests and, in most cases, their post-school plans are clarified. It may become necessary to reconsider the original selected subjects.

All subject changes must:

- Be approved by the Deputy Principal - Academic
- Have written consent to be changed from parents/guardians
- Be discussed with the relevant Head of Faculties

Change of Subject Forms need to be completed by all parties.

PREREQUISITES FOR SENIOR SUBJECTS

The following is a list of suggested prerequisite and co-requisite subjects for all Year 11/12 General Subjects. Pre-requisite subjects are subjects which students should have studied in Years 9 and 10. The expected minimum levels of achievement for success in these subjects have been included. It is recommended that co-requisite subjects be studied concurrently with the desired subject.

SUBJECT	MINIMUM PRE-REQUISITES & CO-REQUISITES IN YEARS 11 AND 12*
Accounting	No prerequisite
Ancient History	English (C)
Biology	Natural Science Pathway(C)
Chemistry	Physical Science Pathway (C), Mathematical Methods Pathway (C), Mathematical Methods Co-requisite
Drama	No prerequisite
Economics	No prerequisite
Engineering	Mathematical Methods
English	English (C)
General Mathematics	General Mathematics Pathway (C)
Japanese	Recommended Japanese (B) or higher, Hiragana & Katakana Kanji covered in Year 7, 8, 9, & 10
Legal Studies	No prerequisite
Marine Science	Natural Science Pathway (C)
Mathematical Methods	Mathematical Methods Pathway (C)
Modern History	English (C)
Music	Year 9 and 10 Music
Music Extension (Unit 3 and 4)	Year 9 and 10 Music, Year 11 and 12 Music Co-requisite
Physical Education	No prerequisite
Physics	Physical Science Pathway (C), Mathematical Methods Pathway (C), Mathematical Methods Co-requisite
Specialist Mathematics	Mathematical Methods Pathway (B), Mathematical Methods Co-requisite
Study of Religion	Study of Religion Pathway (C)
Visual Art	No prerequisite

*Year 9 and 10 English is a prerequisite for all Senior Subjects.

*Please note that there are no specific prerequisites or co-requisites for Applied Subjects.

YEAR 11 & 12 SUBJECTS

For a student about to commence Year 11 studies, it is important to note the following:

- The choice of a course should allow entry into a range of possible career interest areas.
- There is an increase in the standard of work and therefore, the extra demands on a student's time and energy. It is important for students and parents/guardians to recognise that a significantly increased time commitment to home study is required in Years 11 and 12. Most subjects will require a minimum of three hours each subject per week.
- The student requires a mature attitude and the ability to make critical judgments and to be analytical and logical towards the work she is studying. Staff will guide her in the way she might explore a subject for herself. In short, she is expected to do her own work, be organised, be disciplined and research her own material, subject to a framework of guidance provided by her teachers.

In making subject choices, students should have in mind their intentions concerning post-secondary education. Tertiary institutions indicate the prerequisites for their various courses, and these should be taken into account.

Please note:

1. The school reserves the right not to offer a subject if subject numbers are not viable, or to combine a Year 11 and 12 class as a combined grouping where numbers are very low.
2. The timetable will be constructed reflecting students' proposed choices and school staffing constraints.
3. Not all combinations of electives will be possible.
4. Students are allocated to elective classes on the basis of their nominated preference order.
5. In making subject selections, students should be mindful that their course is a two year course and subsequent subject changes may be very limited or not possible.

SENIOR EDUCATION PROFILE

Students in Queensland are issued with a Senior Education Profile (SEP) upon completion of senior studies. This profile may include a:

- Senior Statement
- Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)
- Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA).

For more information about the SEP see: www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/certificates-qualifications/sep

SENIOR STATEMENT

The Senior Statement is a transcript of a student's learning account. It shows all QCE-contributing studies and the results achieved that may contribute to the award of a QCE.

If a student has a Senior Statement, then they have satisfied the completion requirements for Year 12 in Queensland.

QUEENSLAND CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION (QCE)

Students may be eligible for a Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE) at the end of their senior schooling. Students who do not meet the QCE requirements can continue to work towards the certificate post-secondary schooling. The QCAA awards a QCE in the following July or December, once a student becomes eligible. Learning accounts are closed after nine years; however, a student may apply to the QCAA to have the account reopened and all credit continued.

In order to receive a QCE, students must provide evidence of the following:

- Complete 20 credits
- Achieve required standards
- Meet literacy and numeracy requirements.

SENIOR SUBJECTS

The QCAA develops four types of senior subject syllabuses — Applied, General, General (Extension) and Short Course. Results in Applied and General subjects contribute to the award of a QCE and may contribute to an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) calculation, although no more than one result in an Applied subject can be used in the calculation of a student's ATAR.

Typically, it is expected that most students will complete these courses across Years 11 and 12. All subjects build on the P–10 Australian Curriculum.

For more information about specific subjects, students and parents/guardians are encouraged to access the relevant senior syllabuses at www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/senior-subjects.

GENERAL SYLLABUSES

General subjects are suited to students who are interested in pathways beyond senior secondary schooling that lead primarily to tertiary studies and to pathways for vocational education and training and work. General subjects include Extension subjects that are undertaken in Units 3 and 4 concurrently with the related General subject.

APPLIED SYLLABUSES

Applied subjects are suited to students who are primarily interested in pathways beyond senior secondary schooling that lead to vocational education and training or work.

GENERAL (EXTENSION) SYLLABUSES

Extension subjects are extensions of the related General subjects and are studied either concurrently with, or after, Units 3 and 4 of the related General course.

Extension courses offer more challenge than the related General courses and build on the studies students have already undertaken in the subject.

UNDERPINNING FACTORS

All senior syllabuses are underpinned by:

- literacy — the set of knowledge and skills about language and texts essential for understanding and conveying content.
- numeracy — the knowledge, skills, behaviours and dispositions that students need to use mathematics in a wide range of situations, to recognise and understand the role of mathematics in the world, and to develop the dispositions and capacities to use mathematical knowledge and skills purposefully.

GENERAL SYLLABUSES

In addition to literacy and numeracy, General syllabuses are underpinned by:

- 21st century skills — the attributes and skills students need to prepare them for higher education, work and engagement in a complex and rapidly changing world. These include critical thinking, creative thinking, communication, collaboration and teamwork, personal and social skills, and information and communication technologies (ICT) skills.

APPLIED SYLLABUSES

In addition to literacy and numeracy, Applied syllabuses are underpinned by:

- applied learning — the acquisition and application of knowledge, understanding and skills in real-world or lifelike contexts
- community connections — the awareness and understanding of life beyond school through authentic, real-world interactions by connecting classroom experience with the world outside the classroom
- skills for work — the set of knowledge, understanding and non-technical skills that underpin successful participation in work.

QUEENSLAND CERTIFICATE OF INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT (QCIA)

The Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA) reports the learning achievements of eligible students who complete an individual learning program. At the end of the senior phase of learning, eligible students achieve a QCIA. These students have the option of continuing to work towards a QCE post-secondary schooling.

ALTERNATIVE SUBJECTS

Religion, Meaning & Life* is a non-timetabled course that does not contribute to an ATAR or QCE credits. This option requires a student to be a motivated, independent and organised learner. More details about this course are contained in the Year 11 and 12 Curriculum Handbook. Students who wish to apply for this alternative study plan are required to meet with the College Principal.

SCHOOL-BASED APPRENTICESHIPS OR TRAINEESHIPS (SAT)*

SATs are offered at St Patrick's College Townsville in Years 11 and 12. A SAT allows students to work with an employer as a paid employee while completing their senior schooling. Traineeships will usually be completed by the end of Year 12.

The first stage of an apprenticeship may be completed by the end of Year 12, and there is an expectation that the student will then become a full-time apprentice with their employer following the completion of Year 12.

For examples of apprenticeships and traineeships that are available and for further information see the [Department of Education and Training](#) website.

Important Notes on SATs:

- Students are not permitted to complete more than one SAT.
- Students will work approximately 50 days per year. This may involve one day per week out of school, and it may involve holiday and weekend work.
- Students will complete training with a registered training provider such as TAFE. Training will sometimes occur during vacation periods.
- It is the responsibility of the student to find an employer.

AUSTRALIAN TERTIARY ADMISSION RANK (ATAR) ELIGIBILITY

The calculation of an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) will be based on a student's:

- Best five scaled General subject results

The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) has responsibility for ATAR calculations.

ENGLISH REQUIREMENT

Eligibility for an ATAR will require satisfactory completion of a QCAA English subject.

Satisfactory completion will require students to attain a result that is equivalent to a C Level of Achievement in English. While students must meet this standard to be eligible to receive an ATAR, it is not mandatory for a student's English result to be included in the calculation of their ATAR.

GENERAL SYLLABUSES

General syllabuses course overview

General syllabuses are developmental four-unit courses of study.

Units 1 and 2 provide foundational learning, allowing students to experience all syllabus objectives and begin engaging with the course subject matter. It is intended that Units 1 and 2 are studied as a pair. Assessment in Units 1 and 2 provides students with feedback on their progress in a course of study and contributes to the award of a QCE.

Students should complete Units 1 and 2 before starting Units 3 and 4.

Units 3 and 4 consolidate student learning. Assessment in Units 3 and 4 is summative and student results contribute to the award of a QCE and to ATAR calculations.

Assessment

Units 1 and 2 assessments

Schools decide the sequence, scope and scale of assessments for Units 1 and 2. These assessments should reflect the local context. Teachers determine the assessment program, tasks and marking guides that are used to assess student performance for Units 1 and 2.

Units 1 and 2 assessment outcomes provide feedback to students on their progress in the course of study. Schools should develop at least *two* but no more than *four* assessments for Units 1 and 2. At least *one* assessment must be completed for *each* unit.

Schools report satisfactory completion of Units 1 and 2 to the QCAA, and may choose to report levels of achievement to students and parents/carers using grades, descriptive statements or other indicators.

Units 3 and 4 assessments

Students complete a total of *four* summative assessments — three internal and one external — that count towards the overall subject result in each General subject.

Schools develop *three* internal assessments for each senior subject to reflect the requirements described in Units 3 and 4 of each General syllabus.

The three summative internal assessments need to be endorsed by the QCAA before they are used in schools. Students' results in these assessments are externally confirmed by QCAA assessors. These confirmed results from internal assessment are combined with a single result from an external assessment, which is developed and marked by the QCAA. The external assessment result for a subject contributes to a determined percentage of a students' overall subject result. For most subjects this is 25%; for Mathematics and Science subjects it is 50%.

Instrument-specific marking guides

Each syllabus provides instrument-specific marking guides (ISMGs) for summative internal assessments.

The ISMGs describe the characteristics evident in student responses and align with the identified assessment objectives. Assessment objectives are drawn from the unit objectives and are contextualised for the requirements of the assessment instrument.

Schools cannot change or modify an ISMG for use with summative internal assessment.

As part of quality teaching and learning, schools should discuss ISMGs with students to help them understand the requirements of an assessment task.

External assessment

External assessment is summative and adds valuable evidence of achievement to a student's profile. External assessment is:

- Common to all schools
- Administered under the same conditions at the same time and on the same day
- Developed and marked by the QCAA according to a commonly applied marking scheme.

The external assessment contributes a determined percentage (see specific subject guides — assessment) to the student's overall subject result and is not privileged over summative internal assessment.

APPLIED SYLLABUSES

Course Structure

Applied syllabuses are developmental four-unit courses of study.

The syllabuses contain QCAA-developed units as options for schools to select from to develop their course of study. Units and assessment have been written so that they may be studied at any stage in the course. All units have comparable complexity and challenge in learning and assessment. However, greater scaffolding and support may be required for units studied earlier in the course.

Each unit has been developed with a notional time of 55 hours of teaching and learning, including assessment.

Curriculum

Applied syllabuses set out only what is essential while being flexible so teachers can make curriculum decisions to suit their students, school context, resources and expertise.

Schools have autonomy to decide:

- which four units they will deliver
- how and when the subject matter of the units will be delivered
- how, when and why learning experiences are developed, and the context in which the learning will occur
- how opportunities are provided in the course of study for explicit and integrated teaching and learning of complementary skills such as literacy, numeracy and 21st century skills
- how the subject-specific information found in this section of the syllabus is enlivened through the course of study.

Giving careful consideration to each of these decisions can lead teachers to develop units that are rich, engaging and relevant for their students.

Assessment

Applied syllabuses set out only what is essential while being flexible so teachers can make assessment decisions to suit their students, school context, resources and expertise.

Applied syllabuses contain assessment specifications and conditions for the two assessment instruments that must be implemented with each unit. These specifications and conditions ensure comparability, equity and validity in assessment.

Schools have autonomy to decide:

- specific assessment task details within the parameters mandated in the syllabus
- assessment contexts to suit available resources
- how the assessment task will be integrated with teaching and learning activities
- how authentic the task will be.

Teachers make A–E judgments on student responses for each assessment instrument using the relevant instrument-specific standards. In the final two units studied, the QCAA uses a student's results for these assessments to determine an exit result.

More information about assessment in Applied senior syllabuses is available in Section 7.3.1 of the QCE and QCIA policy and procedures handbook.

Essential English and Essential Mathematics — Common internal assessment

For the two Applied (Essential) syllabuses, students complete a total of *four* summative internal assessments in Units 3 and 4 that count toward their overall subject result. Schools develop *three* of the summative internal assessments for each of these subjects and the other summative assessment is a common internal assessment (CIA) developed by the QCAA.

The CIA for Essential English and Essential Mathematics is based on the learning described in Unit 3 of the respective syllabus. The CIA is:

- Developed by the QCAA
- Common to all schools
- Delivered to schools by the QCAA
- Administered flexibly in Unit 3
- Administered under supervised conditions
- Marked by the school according to a common marking scheme developed by the QCAA.

The CIA is not privileged over the other summative internal assessment.

Summative internal assessment — instrument-specific standards

The Essential English and Essential Mathematics syllabuses provide instrument-specific standards for the three summative internal assessments in Units 3 and 4.

The instrument-specific standards describe the characteristics evident in student responses and align with the identified assessment objectives. Assessment objectives are drawn from the unit objectives and are contextualised for the requirements of the assessment instrument.

GENERAL (EXTENSION) SYLLABUSES

Course overview

Extension subjects are extensions of the related General subjects and include external assessment. Extension subjects are studied either concurrently with, or after, Units 3 and 4 of the General course of study.

Extension syllabuses are courses of study that consist of two units (Units 3 and 4).

Subject matter, learning experiences and assessment increase in complexity across the two units as students develop greater independence as learners.

The results from Units 3 and 4 contribute to the award of a QCE and to ATAR calculations.

Note: In the case of Music Extension, this subject has three syllabuses, one for each of the specialisations — Composition, Musicology and Performance.

Assessment

Units 3 and 4 assessments

Students complete a total of *four* summative assessments — three internal and one external — that count towards the overall subject result in each General (Extension) subject.

Schools develop *three* internal assessments for each senior subject to reflect the requirements described in Units 3 and 4 of each General syllabus.

The three summative internal assessments need to be endorsed by the QCAA before they are used in schools. Students' results in these assessments are externally confirmed by QCAA assessors. These confirmed results from internal assessment are combined with a single result from an external assessment, which is developed and marked by the QCAA. The external assessment result for a subject contributes to a determined percentage of a students' overall subject result. For most subjects this is 25%; for Mathematics and Science subjects it is 50%.

GENERAL SENIOR SUBJECTS

ACCOUNTING

Accounting provides opportunities for students to develop an understanding of the essential role accounting plays in the successful performance of any organisation. It involves systematically organising, critically analysing and communicating financial data and information for decision-making.

Students learn fundamental accounting concepts in order to understand accrual accounting, managerial and accounting controls, internal and external financial statements, and ratio analysis. They synthesise financial and other information, evaluate accounting practices, solve authentic accounting problems, and make and communicate recommendations.

Students develop numerical, literacy, technical, financial, critical thinking, decision-making and problem-solving skills. They develop an understanding of the ethical attitudes and values required to participate effectively and responsibly in a changing business environment.

Pathways

A course of study in Accounting can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of accounting, business, management, banking, finance, law, economics and commerce.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Comprehend accounting concepts, principles and processes
- Apply accounting principles and processes
- Analyse and interpret financial data and information
- Evaluate accounting practices to make decisions and propose recommendations
- Synthesise and solve accounting problems
- Create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose and audience

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Real world accounting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accounting for a service business — cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and no GST• End-of-month reporting for a service business — no GST	Management effectiveness <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accounting for a trading GST business• End-of-year reporting for a trading GST business	Monitoring a business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Managing resources for a trading GST business• Fully classified financial statement reporting for a trading GST business	Accounting — the big picture <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cash management• Complete accounting process for a trading GST business• Performance analysis of a public company

Assessment

Schools devise assessments in Units 1 and 2 to suit their local context.

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a subject score out of 100. Students will also receive an overall subject result (A–E).

Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): Examination — combination response	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): Project — cash management	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Examination — combination response	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): Examination — short response	25%

ANCIENT HISTORY

Ancient History provides opportunities for students to study people, societies and civilisations of the past, from the development of the earliest human communities to the end of the Middle Ages. Students explore the interaction of societies, and the impact of individuals and groups on ancient events and ways of life, and study the development of some features of modern society, such as social organisation, systems of law, governance and religion.

Students analyse and interpret archaeological and written evidence. They develop increasingly sophisticated skills and understandings of historical issues and problems by interrogating the surviving evidence of ancient sites, societies, individuals and significant historical periods. They investigate the problematic nature of evidence, pose increasingly complex questions about the past and formulate reasoned responses.

Students gain multi-disciplinary skills in analysing textual and visual sources, constructing arguments, challenging assumptions, and thinking both creatively and critically.

Pathways

A course of study in Ancient History can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of archaeology, history, education, psychology, sociology, law, business, economics, politics, journalism, the media, health and social sciences, writing, academia and research.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Comprehend terms, issues and concepts
- Devise historical questions and conduct research
- Analyse evidence from historical sources to show understanding
- Synthesise evidence from historical sources to form a historical argument
- Evaluate evidence from historical sources to make judgments
- Create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Investigating the ancient world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digging up the past • Ancient societies — Slavery • Ancient societies — Art and architecture • Ancient societies — Weapons and warfare • Ancient societies — Technology and engineering • Ancient societies — The family • Ancient societies — Beliefs, rituals and funerary practices. 	Personalities in their time <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hatshepsut • Akhenaten • Xerxes • Perikles • Alexander the Great • Hannibal Barca • Cleopatra • Agrippina the Younger • Nero • Boudica • Cao Cao • Saladin (An-Nasir Salah ad-Din Yusuf ibn Ayyub) • Richard the Lionheart • Alternative choice of personality 	Reconstructing the ancient world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thebes — East and West, 18th Dynasty Egypt • The Bronze Age Aegean • Assyria from Tiglath Pileser III to the fall of the Empire • Fifth Century Athens (BCE) • Philip II and Alexander III of Macedon • Early Imperial Rome • Pompeii and Herculaneum • Later Han Dynasty and the Three Kingdoms • The 'Fall' of the Western Roman Empire • The Medieval Crusades 	People, power and authority <p>Schools choose one study of power from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ancient Egypt — New Kingdom Imperialism • Ancient Greece — the Persian Wars • Ancient Greece — the Peloponnesian War • Ancient Rome — the Punic Wars • Ancient Rome — Civil War and the breakdown of the Republic <p>QCAA will nominate one topic that will be the basis for an external examination from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thutmose III • Rameses II • Themistokles • Alkibiades • Scipio Africanus • Caesar • Augustus

**Please note that only TWO topics per unit are studied*

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Examination — essay in response to historical sources	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Investigation — historical essay based on research	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation — independent source investigation	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — short responses to historical sources	25%

BIOLOGY

Biology provides opportunities for students to engage with living systems.

Students develop their understanding of cells and multicellular organisms. They engage with the concept of maintaining the internal environment. They study biodiversity and the interconnectedness of life. This knowledge is linked with the concepts of heredity and the continuity of life.

Students learn and apply aspects of the knowledge and skills of the discipline (thinking, experimentation, problem-solving and research skills), understand how it works and how it may impact society. They develop their sense of wonder and curiosity about life; respect for all living things and the environment; understanding of biological systems, concepts, theories and models; appreciation of how biological knowledge has developed over time and continues to develop; a sense of how biological knowledge influences society.

Students plan and carry out fieldwork, laboratory and other research investigations; interpret evidence; use sound, evidence-based arguments creatively and analytically when evaluating claims and applying biological knowledge; and communicate biological understanding, findings, arguments and conclusions using appropriate representations, modes and genres.

Pathways

A course of study in Biology can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of medicine, forensics, veterinary, food and marine sciences, agriculture, biotechnology, environmental rehabilitation, biosecurity, quarantine, conservation and sustainability.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Describe and explain scientific concepts, theories, models and systems and their limitations
- Apply understanding of scientific concepts, theories, models and systems within their limitations
- Analyse evidence
- Interpret evidence
- Investigate phenomena
- Evaluate processes, claims and conclusions
- Communicate understandings, findings, arguments and conclusions

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Cells and multicellular organisms <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cells as the basis of life• Multicellular organisms	Maintaining the internal environment <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Homeostasis• Infectious diseases	Biodiversity and the interconnectedness of life <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describing biodiversity• Ecosystem dynamics	Heredity and continuity of life <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DNA, genes and the continuity of life• Continuity of life on Earth

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Data test	10%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Research investigation	20%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Student experiment	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% • Examination			

CHEMISTRY

Chemistry is the study of materials and their properties and structure.

Students study atomic theory, chemical bonding, and the structure and properties of elements and compounds. They explore intermolecular forces, gases, aqueous solutions, acidity and rates of reaction. They study equilibrium processes and redox reactions. They explore organic chemistry, synthesis and design to examine the characteristic chemical properties and chemical reactions displayed by different classes of organic compounds.

Students develop their appreciation of chemistry and its usefulness; understanding of chemical theories, models and chemical systems; expertise in conducting scientific investigations. They critically evaluate and debate scientific arguments and claims in order to solve problems and generate informed, responsible and ethical conclusions, and communicate chemical understanding and findings through the use of appropriate representations, language and nomenclature.

Students learn and apply aspects of the knowledge and skills of the discipline (thinking, experimentation, problem-solving and research skills), understand how it works and how it may impact society.

Pathways

A course of study in Chemistry can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of forensic science, environmental science, engineering, medicine, pharmacy and sports science.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Describe and explain scientific concepts, theories, models and systems and their limitations
- Apply understanding of scientific concepts, theories, models and systems within their limitations
- Analyse evidence
- Interpret evidence
- Investigate phenomena
- Evaluate processes, claims and conclusions
- Communicate understandings, findings, arguments and conclusions

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Chemical fundamentals — structure, properties and reactions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Properties and structure of atoms• Properties and structure of materials• Chemical reactions — reactants, products and energy change	Molecular interactions and reactions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Intermolecular forces and gases• Aqueous solutions and acidity• Rates of chemical reactions	Equilibrium, acids and redox reactions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chemical equilibrium systems• Oxidation and reduction	Structure, synthesis and design <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Properties and structure of organic materials• Chemical synthesis and design

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Data test	10%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Research investigation	20%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Student experiment	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% • Examination			

DRAMA

Drama fosters creative and expressive communication. It interrogates the human experience by investigating, communicating and embodying stories, experiences, emotions and ideas that reflect the human experience. It engages students in imaginative meaning-making processes and involves them using a range of artistic skills as they make and respond to dramatic works.

Students experience, reflect on, understand, communicate, collaborate and appreciate different perspectives of themselves, others and the world in which they live. They learn about the dramatic languages and how these contribute to the creation, interpretation and critique of dramatic action and meaning for a range of purposes. They study a range of forms, styles and their conventions in a variety of inherited traditions, current practice and emerging trends, including those from different cultures and contexts.

Students learn how to engage with dramatic works as both artists and audience through the use of critical literacies. The study of drama develops students' knowledge, skills and understanding in the making of and responding to dramatic works to help them realise their creative and expressive potential as individuals. Students learn to pose and solve problems, and work independently and collaboratively.

Pathways

A course of study in Drama can establish a basis for further education and employment in the field of drama, and to broader areas in creative industries and cultural institutions, including arts administration and management, communication, education, public relations, research and science and technology.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Demonstrate an understanding of dramatic languages
- Apply literacy skills
- Apply and structure dramatic languages
- Analyse how dramatic languages are used to create dramatic action and meaning
- Interpret purpose, context and text to communicate dramatic meaning
- Manipulate dramatic languages to create dramatic action and meaning
- Evaluate and justify the use of dramatic languages to communicate dramatic meaning
- Synthesise and argue a position about dramatic action and meaning

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Share How does drama promote shared understandings of the human experience? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• cultural inheritances of storytelling• oral history and emerging practices• a range of linear and non-linear forms	Reflect How is drama shaped to reflect lived experience? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Realism, including Magical Realism, Australian Gothic• associated conventions of styles and texts	Challenge How can we use drama to challenge our understanding of humanity? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Theatre of Social Comment, including Theatre of the Absurd and Epic Theatre• associated conventions of styles and texts	Transform How can you transform dramatic practice? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contemporary performance• associated conventions of styles and texts• inherited texts as stimulus

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Performance	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Project — practice-led project	35%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Project — dramatic concept	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% • Examination — extended response			

ECONOMICS

Economics encourages students to think deeply about the global challenges facing individuals, business and government, including how to allocate and distribute scarce resources to maximise well-being.

Students develop knowledge and cognitive skills to comprehend, apply analytical processes and use economic knowledge. They examine data and information to determine validity and consider economic policies from various perspectives. They use economic models and analytical tools to investigate and evaluate outcomes to draw conclusions.

Students study opportunity costs, economic models and the market forces of demand and supply. They dissect and interpret the complex nature of international economic relationships and the dynamics of Australia's place in the global economy. They develop intellectual flexibility, digital literacy and economic thinking skills.

Pathways

A course of study in Economics can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of economics, econometrics, management, data analytics, business, accounting, finance, actuarial science, law and political science.

Economics is an excellent complement for students who want to solve real-world science or environmental problems and participate in government policy debates. It provides a competitive advantage for career options where students are aiming for management roles and developing their entrepreneurial skills to create business opportunities as agents of innovation.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Comprehend economic concepts, principles and models
- Select data and economic information from sources
- Analyse economic issues
- Evaluate economic outcomes
- Create responses that communicate economic meaning

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Markets and models <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The basic economic problem• Economic flows• Market forces	Modified markets <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Markets and efficiency• Case options of market measures and strategies	International economics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The global economy• International economic issues	Contemporary macroeconomics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Macroeconomic objectives and theory• Economic management

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — combination response	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — extended response to stimulus	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investigation — research report	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — combination response	25%

ENGINEERING

Engineering includes the study of mechanics, materials science and control technologies through real-world engineering contexts where students engage in problem-based learning.

Students learn to explore complex, open-ended problems and develop engineered solutions. They recognise and describe engineering problems, determine solution success criteria, develop and communicate ideas and predict, generate, evaluate and refine prototype solutions.

Students justify their decision-making and acknowledge the societal, economic and environmental sustainability of their engineered solutions. The problem-based learning framework in Engineering encourages students to become self-directed learners and develop beneficial collaboration and management skills.

Pathways

A course of study in Engineering can establish a basis for further education and employment in the field of engineering, including, but not limited to, civil, mechanical, mechatronic, electrical, aerospace, mining, process, chemical, marine, biomedical, telecommunications, environmental, micro-nano and systems. The study of engineering will also benefit students wishing to pursue post-school tertiary pathways that lead to careers in architecture, project management, aviation, surveying and spatial sciences.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- recognise and describe engineering problems, concepts and principles
- symbolise and explain ideas and solutions
- analyse problems and information
- determine solution success criteria for engineering problems
- synthesise information and ideas to predict possible solutions
- generate prototype solutions to provide data to assess the accuracy of predictions
- evaluate and refine ideas and solutions to make justified recommendations
- make decisions about and use mode-appropriate features, language and conventions for particular purposes and contexts.

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Engineering fundamentals and society <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engineering history• The problem-solving process in Engineering• Engineering communication• Introduction to engineering mechanics• Introduction to engineering materials	Emerging technologies <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emerging needs• Emerging processes and machinery• Emerging materials• Exploring autonomy	Statics of structures and environmental considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Application of the problem-solving process in Engineering• Civil structures and the environment• Civil structures, materials and forces	Machines and mechanisms <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Machines in society• Materials• Machine control

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project — folio	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project — folio
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination

ENGLISH

English focuses on the study of both literary texts and non-literary texts, developing students as independent, innovative and creative learners and thinkers who appreciate the aesthetic use of language, analyse perspectives and evidence, and challenge ideas and interpretations through the analysis and creation of varied texts.

Students are offered opportunities to interpret and create texts for personal, cultural, social and aesthetic purposes. They learn how language varies according to context, purpose and audience, content, modes and mediums, and how to use it appropriately and effectively for a variety of purposes. Students have opportunities to engage with diverse texts to help them develop a sense of themselves, their world and their place in it.

Students communicate effectively in Standard Australian English for the purposes of responding to and creating texts. They make choices about generic structures, language, textual features and technologies for participating actively in literary analysis and the creation of texts in a range of modes, mediums and forms, for a variety of purposes and audiences. They explore how literary and non-literary texts shape perceptions of the world, and consider ways in which texts may reflect or challenge social and cultural ways of thinking and influence audiences.

Pathways

A course of study in English promotes open-mindedness, imagination, critical awareness and intellectual flexibility — skills that prepare students for local and global citizenship, and for lifelong learning across a wide range of contexts.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Use patterns and conventions of genres to achieve particular purposes in cultural contexts and social situations
- Establish and maintain roles of the writer/speaker/signer/designer and relationships with audiences
- Create and analyse perspectives and representations of concepts, identities, times and places
- Make use of and analyse the ways cultural assumptions, attitudes, values and beliefs underpin texts and invite audiences to take up positions
- Use aesthetic features and stylistic devices to achieve purposes and analyse their effects in texts
- Select and synthesise subject matter to support perspectives
- Organise and sequence subject matter to achieve particular purposes
- Use cohesive devices to emphasise ideas and connect parts of texts
- Make language choices for particular purposes and contexts
- Use grammar and language structures for particular purposes
- Use mode-appropriate features to achieve particular purposes

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Perspectives and texts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examining and creating perspectives in texts• Responding to a variety of non-literary and literary texts• Creating responses for public audiences and persuasive texts	Texts and culture <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examining and shaping representations of culture in texts• Responding to literary and non-literary texts, including a focus on Australian texts• Creating imaginative and analytical texts	Textual connections <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exploring connections between texts• Examining different perspectives of the same issue in texts and shaping own perspectives• Creating responses for public audiences and persuasive texts	Close study of literary texts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engaging with literary texts from diverse times and places• Responding to literary texts creatively and critically• Creating imaginative and analytical texts

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended response — written response for a public audience	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended response — imaginative written response	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended response — persuasive spoken response	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — analytical written response	25%

GENERAL MATHEMATICS

General Mathematics' major domains are Number and algebra, Measurement and geometry, Statistics, and Networks and matrices, building on the content of the P–10 Australian Curriculum.

General Mathematics is designed for students who want to extend their mathematical skills beyond Year 10 but whose future studies or employment pathways do not require calculus.

Students build on and develop key mathematical ideas, including rates and percentages, concepts from financial mathematics, linear and non-linear expressions, sequences, the use of matrices and networks to model and solve authentic problems, the use of trigonometry to find solutions to practical problems, and the exploration of real-world phenomena in statistics.

Students engage in a practical approach that equips learners for their needs as future citizens. They learn to ask appropriate questions, map out pathways, reason about complex solutions, set up models and communicate in different forms. They experience the relevance of mathematics to their daily lives, communities and cultural backgrounds. They develop the ability to understand, analyse and take action regarding social issues in their world.

Pathways

A course of study in General Mathematics can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of business, commerce, education, finance, IT, social science and the arts.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Select, recall and use facts, rules, definitions and procedures drawn from Number and algebra, Measurement and geometry, Statistics, and Networks and matrices
- Comprehend mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Number and algebra, Measurement and geometry, Statistics, and Networks and matrices
- Communicate using mathematical, statistical and everyday language and conventions
- Evaluate the reasonableness of solutions
- Justify procedures and decisions by explaining mathematical reasoning
- Solve problems by applying mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Number and algebra, Measurement and geometry, Statistics, and Networks and matrices

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Money, measurement and relations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consumer arithmetic• Shape and measurement• Linear equations and their graphs	Applied trigonometry, algebra, matrices and univariate data <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applications of trigonometry• Algebra and matrices• Univariate data analysis	Bivariate data, sequences and change, and Earth geometry <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bivariate data analysis• Time series analysis• Growth and decay in sequences• Earth geometry and time zones	Investing and networking <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Loans, investments and annuities• Graphs and networks• Networks and decision mathematics

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Problem-solving and modelling task	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Examination	15%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Examination	15%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% • Examination			

JAPANESE

Japanese provides students with the opportunity to reflect on their understanding of the Japanese language and the communities that use it, while also assisting in the effective negotiation of experiences and meaning across cultures and languages. Students participate in a range of interactions in which they exchange meaning, develop intercultural understanding and become active participants in understanding and constructing written, spoken and visual texts.

Students communicate with people from Japanese-speaking communities to understand the purpose and nature of language and to gain understanding of linguistic structures. They acquire language in social and cultural settings and communicate across a range of contexts for a variety of purposes.

Students experience and evaluate a range of different text types; reorganise their thinking to accommodate other linguistic and intercultural knowledge and textual conventions; and create texts for a range of contexts, purposes and audiences.

Pathways

A course of study in Japanese can establish a basis for further education and employment in many professions and industries, particularly those where the knowledge of an additional language and the intercultural understanding it encompasses could be of value, such as business, hospitality, law, science, technology, sociology and education.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Comprehend Japanese to understand information, ideas, opinions and experiences
- Identify tone, purpose, context and audience to infer meaning, values and attitudes
- Analyse and evaluate information and ideas to draw conclusions and justify opinions, ideas and perspectives
- Apply knowledge of Japanese language elements, structures and textual conventions to convey meaning appropriate to context, purpose, audience and cultural conventions
- Structure, sequence and synthesise information to justify opinions, ideas and perspectives
- Use strategies to maintain communication and exchange meaning in Japanese

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
私の暮らし My world <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Family/carers and friends• Lifestyle and leisure• Education	私達のまわり Exploring our world <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Travel• Technology and media• The contribution of Japanese culture to the world	私達の社会 Our society <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Roles and relationships• Socialising and connecting with my peers• Groups in society	私の将来 My future <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Finishing secondary school, plans and reflections• Responsibilities and moving on

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — short response	15%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended response	30%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — combination response	30%	Summative external assessment (EA): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — combination response	25%

LEGAL STUDIES

Legal Studies focuses on the interaction between society and the discipline of law and explores the role and development of law in response to current issues. Students study the legal system and how it regulates activities and aims to protect the rights of individuals, while balancing these with obligations and responsibilities.

Students study the foundations of law, the criminal justice process and the civil justice system. They critically examine issues of governance, explore contemporary issues of law reform and change, and consider Australian and international human rights issues.

Students develop skills of inquiry, critical thinking, problem-solving and reasoning to make informed and ethical decisions and recommendations. They identify and describe legal issues, explore information and data, analyse, evaluate to make decisions or propose recommendations, and create responses that convey legal meaning. They question, explore and discuss tensions between changing social values, justice and equitable outcomes.

Pathways

A course of study in Legal Studies can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of law, law enforcement, criminology, justice studies and politics. The knowledge, skills and attitudes students gain are transferable to all discipline areas and post-schooling tertiary pathways. The research and analytical skills this course develops are universally valued in business, health, science and engineering industries.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Comprehend legal concepts, principles and processes
- Select legal information from sources
- Analyse legal issues
- Evaluate legal situations
- Create responses that communicate meaning

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Beyond reasonable doubt <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Legal foundations• Criminal investigation process• Criminal trial process• Punishment and sentencing	Balance of probabilities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Civil law foundations• Contractual obligations• Negligence and the duty of care	Law, governance and change <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Governance in Australia• Law reform within a dynamic society	Human rights in legal contexts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Human rights• The effectiveness of international law• Human rights in Australian contexts

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — combination response	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investigation — argumentative essay	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investigation — inquiry report	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — combination response	25%

MARINE SCIENCE

Marine Science provides opportunities for students to study an interdisciplinary science focusing on marine environments and the consequences of human influences on ocean resources.

Students develop their understanding of oceanography. They engage with the concept of marine biology. They study coral reef ecology, changes to the reef and the connectivity between marine systems. This knowledge is linked with ocean issues and resource management where students apply knowledge to consider the future of our oceans and techniques for managing fisheries.

Students learn and apply aspects of the knowledge and skills of the discipline (thinking, experimentation, problem-solving and research skills), understand how it works and how it may impact society.

Pathways

A course of study in Marine Science can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of marine sciences, biotechnology, aquaculture, environmental rehabilitation, biosecurity, quarantine, conservation and sustainability.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Describe and explain scientific concepts, theories, models and systems and their limitations
- Apply understanding of scientific concepts, theories, models and systems within their limitations
- Analyse evidence
- Interpret evidence
- Investigate phenomena
- Evaluate processes, claims and conclusions
- Communicate understandings, findings, arguments and conclusions

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Oceanography <ul style="list-style-type: none">• An ocean planet• The dynamic shore	Marine biology <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marine ecology and biodiversity• Marine environmental management	Marine systems — connections and change <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The reef and beyond• Changes on the reef	Ocean issues and resource management <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oceans of the future• Managing fisheries

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Data test	10%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Research investigation	20%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Student experiment	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% • Examination			

MATHEMATICAL METHODS

Mathematical Methods' major domains are Algebra, Functions, relations and their graphs, Calculus and Statistics.

Mathematical Methods enables students to see the connections between mathematics and other areas of the curriculum and apply their mathematical skills to real-world problems, becoming critical thinkers, innovators and problem-solvers.

Students learn topics that are developed systematically, with increasing levels of sophistication, complexity and connection, and build on algebra, functions and their graphs, and probability from the P–10 Australian Curriculum. Calculus is essential for developing an understanding of the physical world. The domain Statistics is used to describe and analyse phenomena involving uncertainty and variation. Both are the basis for developing effective models of the world and solving complex and abstract mathematical problems.

Students develop the ability to translate written, numerical, algebraic, symbolic and graphical information from one representation to another. They make complex use of factual knowledge to successfully formulate, represent and solve mathematical problems.

Pathways

A course of study in Mathematical Methods can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of natural and physical sciences (especially physics and chemistry), mathematics and science education, medical and health sciences (including human biology, biomedical science, nanoscience and forensics), engineering (including chemical, civil, electrical and mechanical engineering, avionics, communications and mining), computer science (including electronics and software design), psychology and business.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Select, recall and use facts, rules, definitions and procedures drawn from Algebra, Functions, relations and their graphs, Calculus and Statistics
- Comprehend mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Algebra, Functions, relations and their graphs, Calculus and Statistics
- Communicate using mathematical, statistical and everyday language and conventions
- Evaluate the reasonableness of solutions
- Justify procedures and decisions by explaining mathematical reasoning
- Solve problems by applying mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Algebra, Functions, relations and their graphs, Calculus and Statistics

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Algebra, statistics and functions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arithmetic and geometric sequences and series 1• Functions and graphs• Counting and probability• Exponential functions 1• Arithmetic and geometric sequences	Calculus and further functions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exponential functions 2• The logarithmic function 1• Trigonometric functions 1• Introduction to differential calculus• Further differentiation and applications 1• Discrete random variables 1	Further calculus <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The logarithmic function 2• Further differentiation and applications 2• Integrals	Further functions and statistics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Further differentiation and applications 3• Trigonometric functions 2• Discrete random variables 2• Continuous random variables and the normal distribution• Interval estimates for proportions

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Problem-solving and modelling task	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Examination	15%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Examination	15%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% • Examination			

MODERN HISTORY

Modern History provides opportunities for students to gain historical knowledge and understanding about some of the main forces that have contributed to the development of the Modern World and to think historically and form a historical consciousness in relation to these same forces.

Modern History enables students to empathise with others and make meaningful connections between the past, present and possible futures.

Students learn that the past is contestable and tentative. Through inquiry into ideas, movements, national experiences and international experiences they discover how the past consists of various perspectives and interpretations.

Students gain a range of transferable skills that will help them become empathetic and critically-literate citizens who are equipped to embrace a multicultural, pluralistic, inclusive, democratic, compassionate and sustainable future.

Pathways

A course of study in Modern History can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of history, education, psychology, sociology, law, business, economics, politics, journalism, the media, writing, academia and strategic analysis.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Comprehend terms, concepts and issues
- Devise historical questions and conduct research
- Analyse evidence from historical sources to show understanding
- Synthesise evidence from historical sources to form a historical argument
- Evaluate evidence from historical sources to make judgments
- Create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Ideas in the modern world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian Frontier Wars, 1788–1930s • Age of Enlightenment, 1750s–1789 • Industrial Revolution, 1760s–1890s • American Revolution, 1763–1783 • French Revolution, 1789–1799 • Age of Imperialism, 1848–1914 • Meiji Restoration, 1868–1912 • Boxer Rebellion, 1900–1901 • Russian Revolution, 1905–1920s • Xinhai Revolution, 1911–1912 • Iranian Revolution, 1977–1979 • Arab Spring since 2010 • Alternative topic for Unit 1 	Movements in the modern world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian Indigenous rights movement since 1967 • Independence movement in India, 1857–1947 • Workers’ movement since the 1860s • Women’s movement since 1893 • May Fourth Movement in China, 1919 • Independence movement in Algeria, 1945–1962 • Independence movement in Vietnam, 1945–1975 • Anti-apartheid movement in South Africa, 1948–1991 • African-American civil rights movement, 1954–1968 • Environmental movement since the 1960s • LGBTIQ civil rights movement since 1969 • Pro-democracy movement in Myanmar (Burma) since 1988 • Alternative topic for Unit 2 	National experiences in the modern world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia, 1914–1949 • England, 1756–1837 • France, 1799–1815 • New Zealand, 1841–1934 • Germany, 1914–1945 • United States of America, 1917–1945 • Soviet Union, 1920s–1945 • Japan, 1931–1967 • China, 1931–1976 • Indonesia, 1942–1975 • India, 1947–1974 • Israel, 1948–1993 • South Korea, 1948–1972 	International experiences in the modern world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australian engagement with Asia since 1945 • Search for collective peace and security since 1815 • Trade and commerce between nations since 1833 • Mass migrations since 1848 • Information Age since 1936 • Genocides and ethnic cleansings since the 1930’s • Nuclear Age since 1945 • Cold War, 1945–1991 • Struggle for peace in the Middle East since 1948 • Cultural globalisation since 1956 • Space exploration since 1957 • Rights and recognition of First Peoples since 1982 • Terrorism, anti-terrorism and counter-terrorism since 1984

**Please note that only TWO topics per unit are studied*

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — essay in response to historical sources	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investigation — historical essay based on research	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Independent source investigation	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination — short responses to historical sources	25%

MUSIC

Music fosters creative and expressive communication. It allows students to develop musicianship through making (composition and performance) and responding (musicology).

Through composition, performance and musicology, students use and apply music elements and concepts. They apply their knowledge and understanding to convey meaning and/or emotion to an audience.

Students use essential literacy skills to engage in a multimodal world. They demonstrate practical music skills and analyse and evaluate music in a variety of contexts, styles and genres.

Pathways

A course of study in Music can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields such as arts administration and management, music journalism, arts/music education, creative and performance industries, music/media advertising, music and voice therapy, music/entertainment law, and the recording industry.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Demonstrate technical skills
- Explain music elements and concepts
- Use music elements and concepts
- Analyse music
- Apply compositional devices
- Apply literacy skills
- Interpret music elements and concepts
- Evaluate music to justify the use of music elements and concepts
- Realise music ideas
- Resolve music ideas

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Designs Through inquiry learning, the following is explored: How does the treatment and combination of different music elements enable musicians to design music that communicates meaning through performance and composition?	Identities Through inquiry learning, the following is explored: How do musicians use their understanding of music elements, concepts and practices to communicate cultural, political, social and personal identities when performing, composing and responding to music?	Innovations Through inquiry learning, the following is explored: How do musicians incorporate innovative music practices to communicate meaning when performing and composing?	Narratives Through inquiry learning, the following is explored: How do musicians manipulate music elements to communicate narrative when performing, composing and responding to music?

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Performance	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Integrated project	35%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Composition	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% • Examination			

MUSIC EXTENSION

Music Extension is an extension of the Music General senior syllabus. It provides an opportunity for students with specific abilities in music to extend their expertise. Students select one specialisation only, and follow an individual program of study designed to continue the development of refined musicianship skills. Music Extension encourages students to investigate music concepts and ideas relevant to their specialisation.

In the **Composition specialisation** (making), students create and resolve new music works. They demonstrate use of music concepts and manipulate music concepts to express meaning and/or emotion to an audience through resolved compositions.

In the **Musicology specialisation** (responding), students investigate and analyse music works and ideas. They synthesise analytical information about music, and document sources and references about music to support research.

In the **Performance specialisation** (making), students realise music works, demonstrating technical skills and understanding. They make decisions about music, interpret music elements and concepts, and express music ideas to realise their performances.

Pathways

A course of study in Music Extension can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields such as arts administration and management, music journalism, arts/music education, creative and performance industries, music/media advertising, music and voice therapy, music/entertainment law, and the recording industry.

Objectives

Common objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, **all** students will:

- apply literacy skills
- evaluate music and ideas about music
- examine music and ideas about music
- express meaning, emotion or ideas about music.

Specialist objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, in addition to the common objectives, students who specialise in **composition** will also:

- apply compositional devices
- manipulate music elements and concepts
- resolve music ideas.

By the conclusion of the course of study, in addition to the common objectives, students who specialise in **musicology** will also:

- analyse music
- investigate music
- synthesise information.

By the conclusion of the course of study, in addition to the common objectives, students who specialise in **performance** will also:

- apply technical skills
- interpret music elements and concepts
- realise music ideas.

Structure

Unit 3	Unit 4
Explore <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key idea 1: Initiate best practice• Key idea 2: Consolidate best practice	Emerge <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Key idea 3: Independent best practice

Assessment

In Units 3 and 4 students complete *four* summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a subject score out of 100. Students will also receive an overall subject result (A–E).

Note: The Summative external assessment (EA): Examination — extended response is the same assessment for all three specialisations.

Summative assessments — Composition specialisation

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Composition 1	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Composition project	35%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Composition 2	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% • Examination — extended response			

Summative assessments — Musicology specialisation

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Investigation 1	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Musicology project	35%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation 2	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% • Examination — extended response			

Summative assessments — Performance specialisation

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Investigation 1	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Performance project	35%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation 2	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% • Examination — extended response			

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education provides students with knowledge, understanding and skills to explore and enhance their own and others' health and physical activity in diverse and changing contexts.

Physical Education provides a philosophical and educative framework to promote deep learning in three dimensions: about, through and in physical activity contexts. Students optimise their engagement and performance in physical activity as they develop an understanding and appreciation of the interconnectedness of these dimensions.

Students learn how body and movement concepts and the scientific bases of biophysical, sociocultural and psychological concepts and principles are relevant to their engagement and performance in physical activity. They engage in a range of activities to develop movement sequences and movement strategies.

Students learn experientially through three stages of an inquiry approach to make connections between the scientific bases and the physical activity contexts. They recognise and explain concepts and principles about and through movement and demonstrate and apply body and movement concepts to movement sequences and movement strategies.

Through their purposeful engagement in physical activities, students gather data to analyse, synthesise and devise strategies to optimise engagement and performance. They engage in reflective decision-making as they evaluate and justify strategies to achieve a particular outcome.

Pathways

A course of study in Physical Education can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of exercise science, biomechanics, the allied health professions, psychology, teaching, sport journalism, sport marketing and management, sport promotion, sport development and coaching.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Recognise and explain concepts and principles about movement
- Demonstrate specialised movement sequences and movement strategies
- Apply concepts to specialised movement sequences and movement strategies
- Analyse and synthesise data to devise strategies about movement
- Evaluate strategies about and in movement
- Justify strategies about and in movement
- Make decisions about and use language, conventions and mode-appropriate features for particular purposes and contexts

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Motor learning, functional anatomy, biomechanics and physical activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motor learning integrated with a selected physical activity • Functional anatomy and biomechanics integrated with a selected physical activity 	Sport psychology, equity and physical activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport psychology integrated with a selected physical activity • Equity — barriers and enablers 	Tactical awareness, ethics and integrity and physical activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tactical awareness integrated with one selected 'Invasion' or 'Net and court' physical activity • Ethics and integrity 	Energy, fitness and training and physical activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy, fitness and training integrated with one selected 'Invasion', 'Net and court' or 'Performance' physical activity

Assessment

Schools devise assessments in Units 1 and 2 to suit their local context.

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a subject score out of 100. Students will also receive an overall subject result (A–E).

Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Project — folio	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Project — folio	30%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation — report	20%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — combination response	25%

PHYSICS

Physics provides opportunities for students to engage with classical and modern understandings of the universe.

Students learn about the fundamental concepts of thermodynamics, electricity and nuclear processes; and about the concepts and theories that predict and describe the linear motion of objects. Further, they explore how scientists explain some phenomena using an understanding of waves. They engage with the concept of gravitational and electromagnetic fields, and the relevant forces associated with them. They study modern physics theories and models that, despite being counterintuitive, are fundamental to our understanding of many common observable phenomena.

Students develop appreciation of the contribution physics makes to society: understanding that diverse natural phenomena may be explained, analysed and predicted using concepts, models and theories that provide a reliable basis for action; and that matter and energy interact in physical systems across a range of scales. They understand how models and theories are refined, and new ones developed in physics; investigate phenomena and solve problems; collect and analyse data; and interpret evidence. Students use accurate and precise measurement, valid and reliable evidence, and scepticism and intellectual rigour to evaluate claims; and communicate physics understanding, findings, arguments and conclusions using appropriate representations, modes and genres.

Students learn and apply aspects of the knowledge and skills of the discipline (thinking, experimentation, problem-solving and research skills), understand how it works and how it may impact society.

Pathways

A course of study in Physics can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of science, engineering, medicine and technology.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Describe and explain scientific concepts, theories, models and systems and their limitations
- Apply understanding of scientific concepts, theories, models and systems within their limitations
- Analyse evidence
- Interpret evidence
- Investigate phenomena
- Evaluate processes, claims and conclusions
- Communicate understandings, findings, arguments and conclusions

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Thermal, nuclear and electrical physics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Heating processes• Ionising radiation and nuclear reactions• Electrical circuits	Linear motion and waves <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Linear motion and force• Waves	Gravity and electromagnetism <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gravity and motion• Electromagnetism	Revolutions in modern physics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Special relativity• Quantum theory• The Standard Model

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Data test	10%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research investigation	20%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Student experiment	20%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination			

SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS

Specialist Mathematics' major domains are Vectors and matrices, Real and complex numbers, Trigonometry, Statistics and Calculus.

Specialist Mathematics is designed for students who develop confidence in their mathematical knowledge and ability, and gain a positive view of themselves as mathematics learners. They will gain an appreciation of the true nature of mathematics, its beauty and its power.

Students learn topics that are developed systematically, with increasing levels of sophistication, complexity and connection, building on functions, calculus, statistics from Mathematical Methods, while vectors, complex numbers and matrices are introduced. Functions and calculus are essential for creating models of the physical world. Statistics are used to describe and analyse phenomena involving probability, uncertainty and variation. Matrices, complex numbers and vectors are essential tools for explaining abstract or complex relationships that occur in scientific and technological endeavours.

Student learning experiences range from practising essential mathematical routines to developing procedural fluency, through to investigating scenarios, modelling the real world, solving problems and explaining reasoning.

Pathways

A course of study in Specialist Mathematics can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of science, all branches of mathematics and statistics, computer science, medicine, engineering, finance and economics.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Select, recall and use facts, rules, definitions and procedures drawn from Vectors and matrices, Real and complex numbers, Trigonometry, Statistics and Calculus
- Comprehend mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Vectors and matrices, Real and complex numbers, Trigonometry, Statistics and Calculus
- Communicate using mathematical, statistical and everyday language and conventions
- Evaluate the reasonableness of solutions
- Justify procedures and decisions, and prove propositions by explaining mathematical reasoning
- Solve problems by applying mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Vectors and matrices, Real and complex numbers, Trigonometry, Statistics and Calculus

Structure

Specialist Mathematics is to be undertaken in conjunction with, or on completion of, Mathematical Methods.

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Combinatorics, vectors and proof <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Combinatorics• Vectors in the plane• Introduction to proof	Complex numbers, trigonometry, functions and matrices <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complex numbers 1• Trigonometry and functions• Matrices	Mathematical induction, and further vectors, matrices and complex numbers <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proof by mathematical induction• Vectors and matrices• Complex numbers 2	Further statistical and calculus inference <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Integration and applications of integration• Rates of change and differential equations• Statistical inference

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Problem-solving and modelling task	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Examination	15%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Examination	15%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% • Examination			

STUDY OF RELIGION

Study of Religion investigates religious traditions and how religion has influenced, and continues to influence, people's lives. Students become aware of their own religious beliefs, the religious beliefs of others, and how people holding such beliefs are able to co-exist in a pluralist society.

Students study the five major world religions of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism; and Australian Aboriginal spiritualities and Torres Strait Islander religion and their influence on people, society and culture. These are explored through sacred texts and religious writings that offer insights into life, and through the rituals that mark significant moments and events in the religion itself and the lives of adherents.

Students develop a logical and critical approach to understanding the influence of religion, with judgments supported through valid and reasoned argument. They develop critical thinking skills, including those of analysis, reasoning and evaluation, as well as communication skills that support further study and post-school participation in a wide range of fields.

Pathways

A course of study in Study of Religion can establish a basis for further education and employment in such fields as anthropology, the arts, education, journalism, politics, psychology, religious studies, sociology and social work.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Describe the characteristics of religion and religious traditions
- Demonstrate an understanding of religious traditions
- Differentiate between religious traditions
- Analyse perspectives about religious expressions within traditions
- Consider and organise information about religion
- Evaluate and draw conclusions about the significance of religion for individuals and its influence on people, society and culture
- Create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Sacred texts and religious writings <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sacred texts• Abrahamic traditions	Religion and ritual <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lifecycle rituals• Calendrical rituals	Religious ethics <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social ethics• Ethical relationships	Religion, rights and the nation-state <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Religion and the nation–state• Religion and human rights

Assessment

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Summative assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Examination — extended response	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Investigation — inquiry response	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation — inquiry response	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — short response	25%

VISUAL ART

Visual Art provides students with opportunities to understand and appreciate the role of visual art in past and present traditions and cultures, as well as the contributions of contemporary visual artists and their aesthetic, historical and cultural influences. Students interact with artists, artworks, institutions and communities to enrich their experiences and understandings of their own and others' art practices.

Students have opportunities to construct knowledge and communicate personal interpretations by working as both artist and audience. They use their imagination and creativity to innovatively solve problems and experiment with visual language and expression.

Through an inquiry learning model, students develop critical and creative thinking skills. They create individualised responses and meaning by applying diverse materials, techniques, technologies and art processes.

In responding to artworks, students employ essential literacy skills to investigate artistic expression and critically analyse artworks in diverse contexts. They consider meaning, purposes and theoretical approaches when ascribing aesthetic value and challenging ideas.

Pathways

A course of study in Visual Art can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of arts practice, design, craft, and information technologies; broader areas in creative industries and cultural institutions; and diverse fields that use skills inherent in the subject, including advertising, arts administration and management, communication, design, education, galleries and museums, film and television, public relations, and science and technology.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Implement ideas and representations
- Apply literacy skills
- Analyse and interpret visual language, expression and meaning in artworks and practices
- Evaluate art practices, traditions, cultures and theories
- Justify viewpoints
- Experiment in response to stimulus
- Create meaning through the knowledge and understanding of materials, techniques, technologies and art processes
- Realise responses to communicate meaning

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Art as lens Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept: lenses to explore the material world • Contexts: personal and contemporary • Focus: People, place, objects • Media: 2D, 3D, and time-based 	Art as code Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept: art as a coded visual language • Contexts: formal and cultural • Focus: Codes, symbols, signs and art conventions • Media: 2D, 3D, and time-based 	Art as knowledge Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept: constructing knowledge as artist and audience • Contexts: contemporary, personal, cultural and/or formal • Focus: student-directed • Media: student-directed 	Art as alternate Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concept: evolving alternate representations and meaning • Contexts: contemporary and personal, cultural and/or formal • Focus: continued exploration of Unit 3 student-directed focus • Media: student-directed

Assessment

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Summative Assessments

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Investigation — inquiry phase 1	15%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Project — inquiry phase 3	35%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Project — inquiry phase 2	25%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% • Examination			

APPLIED SENIOR SUBJECTS

AQUATIC PRACTICES

Aquatic Practices provides opportunities for students to explore, experience and learn concepts and practical skills valued in aquatic workplaces and other settings. Learning in Aquatic Practices involves creative and critical thinking; systematically accessing, capturing and analysing information, including primary and secondary data; and using digital technologies to undertake research, evaluate information and present data.

Aquatic Practices students apply scientific knowledge and skills in situations to produce outcomes. Students build their understanding of expectations for work in aquatic settings and develop an understanding of career pathways, jobs and other opportunities available for participating in and contributing to aquatic activities.

Projects and investigations are key features of Aquatic Practices. Projects require the application of a range of cognitive, technical and reasoning skills and practical-based theory to produce real-world outcomes. Investigations follow scientific inquiry methods to develop a deeper understanding of a particular topic or context and the link between theory and practice in real-world and/or lifelike aquatic contexts.

By studying Aquatic Practices, students develop an awareness and understanding of life beyond school through authentic, real-world interactions to become responsible and informed citizens. They develop a strong personal, socially oriented, ethical outlook that assists with managing context, conflict and uncertainty. Students gain the ability to work effectively and respectfully with diverse teams to maximise understanding of concepts, while exercising flexibility, cultural awareness and a willingness to make necessary compromises to accomplish common goals. They learn to communicate effectively and efficiently by manipulating appropriate language, terminology, symbols and diagrams associated with scientific communication.

The objectives of the course ensure that students apply what they understand to explain and execute procedures, plan and implement projects and investigations, analyse and interpret information, and evaluate procedures, conclusions and outcomes.

Workplace health and safety practices are embedded across all units and focus on building knowledge and skills in working safely, effectively and efficiently in practical aquatic situations.

Pathways

A course of study in Aquatic Practices can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of recreation, tourism, fishing and aquaculture. The subject also provides a basis for participating in and contributing to community associations, events and activities, such as yacht and sailing club races and competitions and boating shows.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students should:

- describe ideas and phenomena
- execute procedures
- analyse information
- interpret information
- evaluate conclusions and outcomes
- plan investigations and projects.

Structure

Aquatic Practices is a four-unit course of study. This syllabus contains six QCAA-developed units as options for schools to select from to develop their course of study.

Unit option	Unit title
Unit option A	Aquatic ecosystems
Unit option B	Coastlines and navigation
Unit option C	Recreational and commercial fishing
Unit option D	Aquariums and aquaculture
Unit option E	Using the aquatic environment
Unit option F	Marine vessels

Assessment

Students complete two assessment tasks for each unit. The assessment techniques used in Aquatic Practices are:

Technique	Description	Response requirements
Applied investigation	Students investigate a research question by collecting, analysing and interpreting primary or secondary information.	One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 7 minutes, 10 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media• Written: up to 1000 words
Practical project	Students use practical skills to complete a project in response to a scenario.	Completed project One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Product: 1• Performance: up to 4 minutes Documented process Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media

ESSENTIAL ENGLISH

Essential English develops and refines students' understanding of language, literature and literacy to enable them to interact confidently and effectively with others in everyday, community and social contexts. Students recognise language and texts as relevant in their lives now and in the future and learn to understand, accept or challenge the values and attitudes in these texts.

Students engage with language and texts to foster skills to communicate confidently and effectively in Standard Australian English in a variety of contemporary contexts and social situations, including everyday, social, community, further education and work-related contexts. They choose generic structures, language, language features and technologies to best convey meaning. They develop skills to read for meaning and purpose, and to use, critique and appreciate a range of contemporary literary and non-literary texts.

Students use language effectively to produce texts for a variety of purposes and audiences and engage creative and imaginative thinking to explore their own world and the worlds of others. They actively and critically interact with a range of texts, developing an awareness of how the language they engage with positions them and others.

Pathways

A course of study in Essential English promotes open-mindedness, imagination, critical awareness and intellectual flexibility — skills that prepare students for local and global citizenship, and for lifelong learning across a wide range of contexts.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Use patterns and conventions of genres to achieve particular purposes in cultural contexts and social situations
- Use appropriate roles and relationships with audiences
- Construct and explain representations of identities, places, events and concepts
- Make use of and explain the ways cultural assumptions, attitudes, values and beliefs underpin texts and influence meaning
- Explain how language features and text structures shape meaning and invite particular responses
- Select and use subject matter to support perspectives
- Sequence subject matter and use mode-appropriate cohesive devices to construct coherent texts
- Make mode-appropriate language choices according to register informed by purpose, audience and context
- Use language features to achieve particular purposes across modes

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Language that works <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responding to a variety of texts used in and developed for a work context• Creating multimodal and written texts	Texts and human experiences <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responding to reflective and nonfiction texts that explore human experiences• Creating spoken and written texts	Language that influences <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creating and shaping perspectives on community, local and global issues in texts• Responding to texts that seek to influence audiences	Representations and popular culture texts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responding to popular culture texts• Creating representations of Australian identities, places, events and concepts

Assessment

Schools devise assessments in Units 1 and 2 to suit their local context.

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. Schools develop three summative internal assessments and the common internal assessment (CIA) is developed by the QCAA.

Summative assessments

Unit 3	Unit 4
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended response — spoken/signed response	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended response — Multimodal response
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common internal assessment (CIA) — short response examination	Summative internal assessment (IA4): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Extended response — Written response

ESSENTIAL MATHEMATICS

Essential Mathematics' major domains are Number, Data, Location and time, Measurement and Finance.

Essential Mathematics benefits students because they develop skills that go beyond the traditional ideas of numeracy.

Students develop their conceptual understanding when they undertake tasks that require them to connect mathematical concepts, operations and relations. They learn to recognise definitions, rules and facts from everyday mathematics and data, and to calculate using appropriate mathematical processes.

Students interpret and use mathematics to make informed predictions and decisions about personal and financial priorities. This is achieved through an emphasis on estimation, problem-solving and reasoning, which develops students into thinking citizens.

Pathways

A course of study in Essential Mathematics can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of trade, industry, business and community services. Students learn within a practical context related to general employment and successful participation in society, drawing on the mathematics used by various professional and industry groups.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- Select, recall and use facts, rules, definitions and procedures drawn from Number, Data, Location and time, Measurement and Finance
- Comprehend mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Number, Data, Location and time, Measurement and Finance
- Communicate using mathematical, statistical and everyday language and conventions
- Evaluate the reasonableness of solutions
- Justify procedures and decisions by explaining mathematical reasoning
- Solve problems by applying mathematical concepts and techniques drawn from Number, Data, Location and time, Measurement and Finance

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Number, data and graphs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundamental topic: Calculations• Number• Representing data• Graphs	Money, travel and data <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundamental topic: Calculations• Managing money• Time and motion• Data collection	Measurement, scales and data <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundamental topic: Calculations• Measurement• Scales, plans and models• Summarising and comparing data	Graphs, chance and loans <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundamental topic: Calculations• Bivariate graphs• Probability and relative frequencies• Loans and compound interest

Assessment

Schools devise assessments in Units 1 and 2 to suit their local context.

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. Schools develop three summative internal assessments and the common internal assessment (CIA) is developed by the QCAA.

Summative Assessments

Unit 3	Unit 4
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Problem-solving and modelling task	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Problem-solving and modelling task
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common internal assessment (CIA)	Summative internal assessment (IA4): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examination

HOSPITALITY PRACTICES

Technologies have been an integral part of society as humans seek to create solutions to improve their own and others' quality of life. Technologies affect people and societies by transforming, restoring and sustaining the world in which we live. The hospitality industry is important economically and socially in Australian society and is one of the largest employers in the country. It specialises in delivering products and services to customers and consists of different sectors, including food and beverage, accommodation, clubs and gaming. Hospitality offers a range of exciting and challenging long-term career opportunities across a range of businesses. The industry is dynamic and uses skills that are transferable across sectors and locations.

The Hospitality Practices syllabus emphasises the food and beverage sector, which includes food and beverage production and service. The subject includes the study of industry practices and production processes through real-world related application in the hospitality industry context. Production processes combine the production skills and procedures required to implement hospitality events. Students engage in applied learning to recognise, apply and demonstrate knowledge and skills in units that meet local needs, available resources and teacher expertise. Through both individual and collaborative learning experiences, students learn to perform production and service skills, and meet customer expectations of quality in event contexts.

Applied learning hospitality tasks supports student development of transferable 21st century, literacy and numeracy skills relevant to the hospitality industry and future employment opportunities. Students learn to recognise and apply industry practices; interpret briefs and specifications; demonstrate and apply safe practical production processes; communicate using oral, written and spoken modes; develop personal attributes that contribute to employability; and organise, plan, evaluate and adapt production processes for the events they implement. The majority of learning is done through hospitality tasks that relate to industry and that promote adaptable, competent, self-motivated and safe individuals who can work with colleagues to solve problems and complete practical work.

Pathways

A course of study in Hospitality Practices can establish a basis for further education and employment in the hospitality sectors of food and beverage, catering, accommodation and entertainment. Students could pursue further studies in hospitality, hotel, event and tourism or business management, which allows for specialisation.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students should:

- demonstrate practices, skills and processes
- interpret briefs
- select practices, skills and procedures
- sequence processes
- evaluate skills, procedures and products
- adapt production plans, techniques and procedures.

Structure

Hospitality Practices is a four-unit course of study. This syllabus contains six QCAA-developed units as options for schools to select from to develop their course of study.

Unit option	Unit title
Unit option A	Culinary trends
Unit option B	Bar and barista basics
Unit option C	In-house dining
Unit option D	Casual dining
Unit option E	Formal dining
Unit option F	Guest services

Assessment

Students complete two assessment tasks for each unit. The assessment techniques used in Hospitality Practices are:

Technique	Description	Response requirements
Practical demonstration	Students produce and present an item related to the unit context in response to a brief.	Practical demonstration Practical demonstration: menu item Planning and evaluation Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media
Project	Students plan and deliver an event incorporating the unit context in response to a brief.	Practical demonstration Practical demonstration: delivery of event Planning and evaluation Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media
Investigation	Students investigate and evaluate practices, skills and processes.	Investigation and evaluation One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 7 minutes, 10 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media• Written: up to 1000 words

MUSIC IN PRACTICE

The arts are woven into the fabric of community. They have the capacity to engage and inspire students, enriching their lives, stimulating curiosity and imagination, and encouraging them to reach their creative and expressive potential. Arts subjects provide opportunities for students to learn problem-solving processes, design and create art, and use multiple literacies to communicate intention with diverse audiences.

Music is a unique aural art form that uses sound and silence as a means of personal expression. It is a powerful medium because it affects a wide range of human activities, including personal, social, cultural and entertainment pursuits. Making music, becoming part of music and arts communities, and interacting with practising musicians and artists nurtures students' creative thinking and problem-solving skills as they follow processes from conception to realisation

and express music ideas of personal significance. The discipline and commitment required in music-making provides students with opportunities for personal growth and development of lifelong learning skills. Learning is connected to relevant industry practice and opportunities, promoting future employment and preparing students as agile, competent, innovative and safe workers, who can work collaboratively to solve problems and complete project-based work in various contexts.

In Music in Practice, students are involved in making (composing and performing) and responding by exploring and engaging with music practices in class, school and the community. They gain practical, technical and listening skills and make choices to communicate through their music. Through music activities, students have opportunities to engage individually and in groups to express music ideas that serve purposes and contexts. This fosters creativity, helps students develop problem-solving skills, and heightens their imaginative, emotional, aesthetic, analytical and reflective experiences.

Students learn about workplace health and safety issues relevant to the music industry and effective work practices that foster a positive work ethic, the ability to work as part of a team, and project management skills. They are exposed to authentic music practices that reflect the real-world practices of composers, performers, and audiences. They learn to view the world from different perspectives, experiment with different ways of sharing ideas and feelings, gain confidence and self-esteem, and contribute to the social and cultural lives of their school and local community.

Pathways

A course of study in Music in Practice can establish a basis for further education and employment in areas such as performance, critical listening, music management and music promotions.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students should:

- use music practices
- plan music works
- communicate ideas
- evaluate music works.

Structure

Music in Practice is a four-unit course of study. This syllabus contains four QCAA-developed units as options for schools to combine in any order to develop their course of study.

Unit option	Unit title
Unit option A	Music of today
Unit option B	The cutting edge
Unit option C	Building your brand
Unit option D	'Live' on stage!

Assessment

Students complete two assessment tasks for each unit. The assessment techniques used in Music in Practice are:

Technique	Description	Response requirements
Composition	Students use music technology and production techniques to make a composition relevant to the unit focus.	Composition Composition: up to 3 minutes, or equivalent section of a larger work
Performance	Students perform music that is relevant to the unit focus.	Performance Performance (live or recorded): up to 4 minutes
Project	Students plan, make and evaluate a composition or performance relevant to the unit focus.	Composition Composition: up to 3 minutes, or equivalent section of a larger work OR Performance Performance (live or recorded): up to 4 minutes AND Planning and evaluation of composition or performance One of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media• Written: up to 600 words• Spoken: up to 4 minutes, or signed equivalent

RELIGION AND ETHICS

A sense of purpose and personal integrity are essential for participative and contributing members of society. Religion & Ethics allows students to explore values and life choices and the ways in which these are related to beliefs and practices as they learn about religion, spirituality and ethics. In addition, it enables students to learn about and reflect on the richness of religious, spiritual and ethical worldviews.

In this syllabus, religion is understood as a faith tradition based on a common understanding of beliefs and practices. In a religious sense, beliefs are tenets, creeds or faiths; religious belief is belief in a power or powers that influence human behaviours. Ethics refers to a system of moral principles; the rules of conduct or approaches to making decisions for the good of the individual and society. Both religion and ethics prompt questions about values, the determination of a moral course of action, and what personal and community decisions can be considered when confronted with situations requiring significant decisions.

Religion & Ethics enhances students' understanding of how personal beliefs, values, spiritual and moral identity are shaped and influenced by factors such as family, culture, gender and social issues. It allows for flexible courses of study that recognise the varied needs and interests of students through exploring topics such as the meaning of life, purpose and destiny, life choices, moral and ethical issues and social justice.

Religion & Ethics focuses on the personal, relational and spiritual perspectives of human experience. It enables students to investigate and critically reflect on the role and function of religion and ethics in society and to communicate principles and ideas relevant to their lives and the world.

Learning experiences should be practical and experiential in emphasis and access the benefits of networking within the community. Schools may consider involvement with religious communities, charities, welfare and service groups and

organisations. The syllabus enables students to interact with the ideas and perspectives of members of the wider community who may express beliefs and values different from their own.

Students develop effective decision-making skills and learn how to plan, implement and evaluate inquiry processes and outcomes, resulting in improved 21st century, literacy and numeracy skills. They examine religion and ethics information and apply their understanding and skills related to community contexts. The knowledge and skills developed in Religion & Ethics provide students with the ability to participate effectively in the changing world around them as active and engaged citizens dealing with religious, spiritual and ethical issues.

Pathways

A course of study in Religion and Ethics can establish a basis for further education and employment in any field. Students gain skills and attitudes that contribute to lifelong learning and the basis for engaging with others in diverse settings.

Objectives

By the conclusion of the course of study, students should:

- explain religions, spiritual and ethical principles and practices
- examine religions, spiritual and ethical information
- apply religious, spiritual and ethical knowledge
- communicate responses
- evaluate projects.

Structure

Religion & Ethics is a four-unit course of study. This syllabus contains six QCAA-developed units as options for schools to select from to develop their course of study.

Unit option	Unit title
Unit option A	Australian identity
Unit option B	Social justice
Unit option C	Meaning, purpose and expression
Unit option D	World religions and spiritualities
Unit option E	Peace
Unit option F	Sacred stories

Assessment

Students complete two assessment tasks for each unit. The assessment techniques used in Religion & Ethics are:

Technique	Description	Response requirements
Project	Students provide a view on a scenario.	<p>Product/Plan/Campaign</p> <p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, or 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media • Spoken: up to 4 minutes, or signed equivalent • Written: up to 800 words <p>Evaluation</p> <p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 5 minutes, or 8 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media • Spoken: up to 4 minutes, or signed equivalent • Written: up to 600 words
Investigation	Students investigate a question, opportunity or issue to develop a response.	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 7 minutes, or 10 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media • Spoken: up to 7 minutes, or signed equivalent • Written: up to 1000 words
Extended response	Students respond to stimulus related to a scenario.	<p>One of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multimodal (at least two modes delivered at the same time): up to 7 minutes, or 10 A4 pages, or equivalent digital media • Spoken: up to 7 minutes, or signed equivalent • Written: up to 1000 words

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

TAFE@SCHOOLS PROGRAM

These courses can only be undertaken by Vocational Pathway students and must be in conjunction with study of a Certificate III at the College.

TAFE Courses are offered one day per week (Wednesday) at TAFE North. Offerings for 2023 will be available in Term 3, 2022. At this time, applications can be made through [TAFE@Schools](#). Most courses are funded through the 'VET in Schools' Program. Students may complete ONE fee free Certificate II level course.

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TOWNSVILLE CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIES COLLEGE

The Townsville Creative Technologies Centre (TCTC) is a digital trade training centre that was co-developed by Heatley Secondary College in partnership with the region's creative digital industries.

The courses delivered by TCTC are great starter courses into the creative industries sector. More information can be found on their [website](#).

BSB30120 Certificate III in Business

REGISTERED TRAINING ORGANISATION

Binnacle Training (RTO Code: 31319)

DELIVERY OVERVIEW

BSB30120 Certificate III in Business is delivered as a senior subject by qualified school staff via a third party arrangement with external Registered Training Organisation (RTO) Binnacle Training. Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with the qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

Upon successful completion students will achieve a maximum 8 QCE credits.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

At enrolment, each student will be required to create (or simply supply if previously created) a [Unique Student Identifier \(USI\)](#). A USI creates an online record of all training and qualifications attained in Australia.

LANGUAGE, LITERACY AND NUMERACY SKILLS

A Language, Literacy & Numeracy (LLN) Screening process is undertaken at the time of initial enrolment (or earlier) to ensure students have the capacity to effectively engage with the content. Please refer to Binnacle Training's [Student Information](#) document for a snapshot of reading, writing and numeracy skills that would be expected in order to satisfy competency requirements.

COURSE OUTLINE

Students will participate in the delivery of a range of business activities and projects within the school. Graduates will be competent in a range of essential workplace skills – including leadership and organisation, customer service, personal management, teamwork and relationships, business technology and financial literacy. Students will also investigate business opportunities.

ASSESSMENT

Program delivery will combine both class-based tasks and practical components in a real business environment at the school. This involves the delivery of a range of projects and services within their school community. A range of teaching/learning strategies will be used to deliver the competencies. These include:

- Practical tasks
- Hands-on activities involving customer service
- Group projects
- e-Learning projects

Evidence contributing towards competency will be collected throughout the course

COURSE SCHEDULE – YEAR 1

- Introduction to the Business Services Industry
- Personal Wellbeing in the Workplace
- Organise Personal Work Priorities
- Financial Literacy – Be MoneySmart
- Workplace Health and Safety and Sustainable Work Practices
- Inclusive Work Practices and Workplace Communication

COURSE SCHEDULE – YEAR 2

- Working in a Team
- Critical Thinking Skills
- Creating Electronic Presentations
- Producing Business Documents
- Delivering Customer Service

Finalisation of qualification: BSB30120 Certificate III in Business

PATHWAYS

The Certificate III in Business will predominantly be used by students seeking to enter the Business Services industries. For example:

- Administration Officer
- Customer Service Assistant
- Duty Manager

Students may also choose to continue their study by completing the Certificate IV or Diploma (e.g. Business or Tourism) at another RTO or a Bachelor of Business, or similar, at a University.

COST

- **\$265.00** = Binnacle Training Fee

PROGRAM DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

This Subject Outline is to be read in conjunction with Binnacle Training's Program Disclosure Statement (PDS). The PDS sets out the services and training products Binnacle Training provides and those services carried out by the 'Partner School' (i.e. the delivery of training and assessment services).

To access Binnacle's PDS, visit: www.binnacletraining.com.au/rto and select 'RTO Files'.



**Binnacle
Training**
RTO Code 31319

Dual Qualification: Certificate III in Health Services Assistance + Certificate II in Health Support Services

Delivered in Partnership with

Connect 'n' Grow® RTO number: 40518



HLT23215: Certificate II in Health Support Services

Qualification description

Health and community services training is linked to the largest growth industry in Australia, estimated to grow by 20% over the next five years. This program prepares students with the basic skills for a career in the health sector as well as providing a pathway to further study. Skills acquired in this course include communication, workplace health and safety, conducting basic health checks, relevant health administration tasks, infection control, personal time management and working with diverse people.

Refer to training.gov.au for specific information about the qualification.

Entry requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

International students may be able to enrol depending on their visa and/or the school's CRICOS registration. Contact the VET Coordinator or Connect 'n' Grow for further information.

Duration and location

This is a 1-2 year course, delivered on site and in partnership with Connect 'n' Grow® to senior school students.

Course Units

Unit code	Title
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety
BSBWOR202	Organise and complete daily work activities
BSBINM201	Process and maintain workplace information
HLTINF001	Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures
HLTHSS003	Perform general cleaning tasks in a clinical setting
HLTHSS005	Undertake routine stock maintenance
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services
BSBCUS201	Deliver a service to customers
CHCCOM001	Provide first point of contact
CHCCCS010	Maintain a high standard of service
CHCCCS020	Respond effectively to behaviours of concern
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety
BSBWOR202	Organise and complete daily work activities

Obligation

Students will be provided with every opportunity to complete this qualification. Employment is not guaranteed upon completion. Students who are deemed competent in all 12 units of competency will be awarded this qualification and a record of results by Connect 'n' Grow®, RTO 40518. Students who achieve at least one unit of competency (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

Delivery modes

A range of delivery modes will be used during the teaching and learning of this qualification. These include:

- face-to-face training
- practicals
- Online learning

Fees

The cost of this course is \$499

Students may be able to access funding to help subsidise the cost of their training. Contact the VET Coordinator or Connect 'n' Grow® if you would like to explore potential options.

QCE Points

Maximum 4

Assessment

Assessment is competency based. Assessment techniques include:

- observation
- folios of work
- questionnaires
- written and practical tasks

Work Experience

Students are encouraged to complete work experience in a health or community service facility to strengthen their skills, knowledge and understanding of the sector.

Pathways

This qualification may credit toward various Certificate III's including:

- Certificate III Health Services Assistance
- Certificate III Community Services
- Certificate III Individual Support (Disability and Aged Care)

HLT33115: Certificate III in Health Services Assistance

(including HLT23215 Certificate II in Health Support Services)

Qualification description

Health and community services training is linked to the largest growth industry in Australia, estimated to grow by 20% over the next five years. These programs combine to provide students with entry level skills necessary for a career in the health sector and also provide a pathway to pursue further study. Skills acquired in this course include first aid, effective communication, workplace health and safety, infection control, understanding common medical terminology, conducting health checks, recognising healthy body systems and working with diverse people.

Refer to training.gov.au for specific information about the qualification.

Entry requirements

There are no entry requirements to commence the first year of this qualification; however successful completion of the Certificate II in Health Support Services is required to continue into the Certificate III coursework.

International students may be able to enrol depending on their visa and/or the school's CRICOS registration. Contact the VET Coordinator for more information.

Duration and location

This is a two-year course delivered on site to senior school students and in partnership with Connect 'n' Grow®.

Course units Year 1 (Certificate II Units)

Unit code	Title
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety
BSBWOR202	Organise and complete daily work activities
BSBINM201	Process and maintain workplace information
HLTINF001	Comply with infection prevention and control policies and procedures
HLTHSS003	Perform general cleaning tasks in a clinical setting
HLTHSS005	Undertake routine stock maintenance
CHCCOM005	Communicate and work in health or community services
BSBCUS201	Deliver a service to customers
CHCCOM001	Provide first point of contact
CHCCCS010	Maintain a high standard of service
CHCCCS020	Respond effectively to behaviours of concern
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people

Course units Year 2 (Certificate III Units)

Unit code	Title
HLTAAP001	Recognise healthy body systems
BSBMED301	Interpret and apply medical terminology
CHCCCS015	Provide individualised support
BSBWOR301	Organise personal work priorities and development
HLTAID011	Provide first aid
HLTAID009	Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation
BSBMED303	Maintain patient records
CHCCCS009	Facilitate responsible behaviour
CHCDIV002	Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety

Delivery modes

A range of delivery modes will be used during the teaching and learning of this qualification. These include:

- face-to-face training
- practicals
- online learning

Fees

The total Fee for Service cost of these courses [Cert II and Cert III] is \$998.

Students may be able to access funding to help subsidise the cost of their training. Contact the VET Coordinator or Connect 'n' Grow® to explore potential options.

QCE Points

Maximum 8 (up to 4 points for completion of the Certificate II and up to a further 4 points for completion of the Certificate III).

Assessment

Assessment is competency based. Assessment techniques include:

- observation
- folios of work
- questionnaires
- written and practical tasks

Work experience

Students are highly encouraged to complete a minimum of 20 hours work experience in a health or community service facility to strengthen their skills, knowledge and employability.

Connect 'n' Grow® considers industry experience to be a very important inclusion of the Certificate III qualifications.

Pathways

Potential options may include:

- Various Certificate IV qualifications
- Diploma of Nursing
- Bachelor Degrees (B.Nursing)
- entry level employment within the health industry

Obligation

Students will be provided with every opportunity to complete this qualification. Employment is not guaranteed upon completion. Students deemed competent in all units of competency will be awarded the qualification and a record of results by Connect 'n' Grow®. Students who achieve at least one unit of competency (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

SIS30115 CERTIFICATE III IN SPORT AND RECREATION +

SIS20115 CERTIFICATE II IN SPORT AND RECREATION

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Students facilitate sport and recreation programs within their school community.

Programs include:

- › Officiating games
- › Conducting coaching activities
- › Community sport, fitness and recreation program

Includes entry qualification:

SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation (only in Dual Qualification)

8Available with a 'General' or 'Sport Specialty' coaching and officiating outcome - AFL, NRL, Netball, Rugby Union or Choose Your Own Sport!

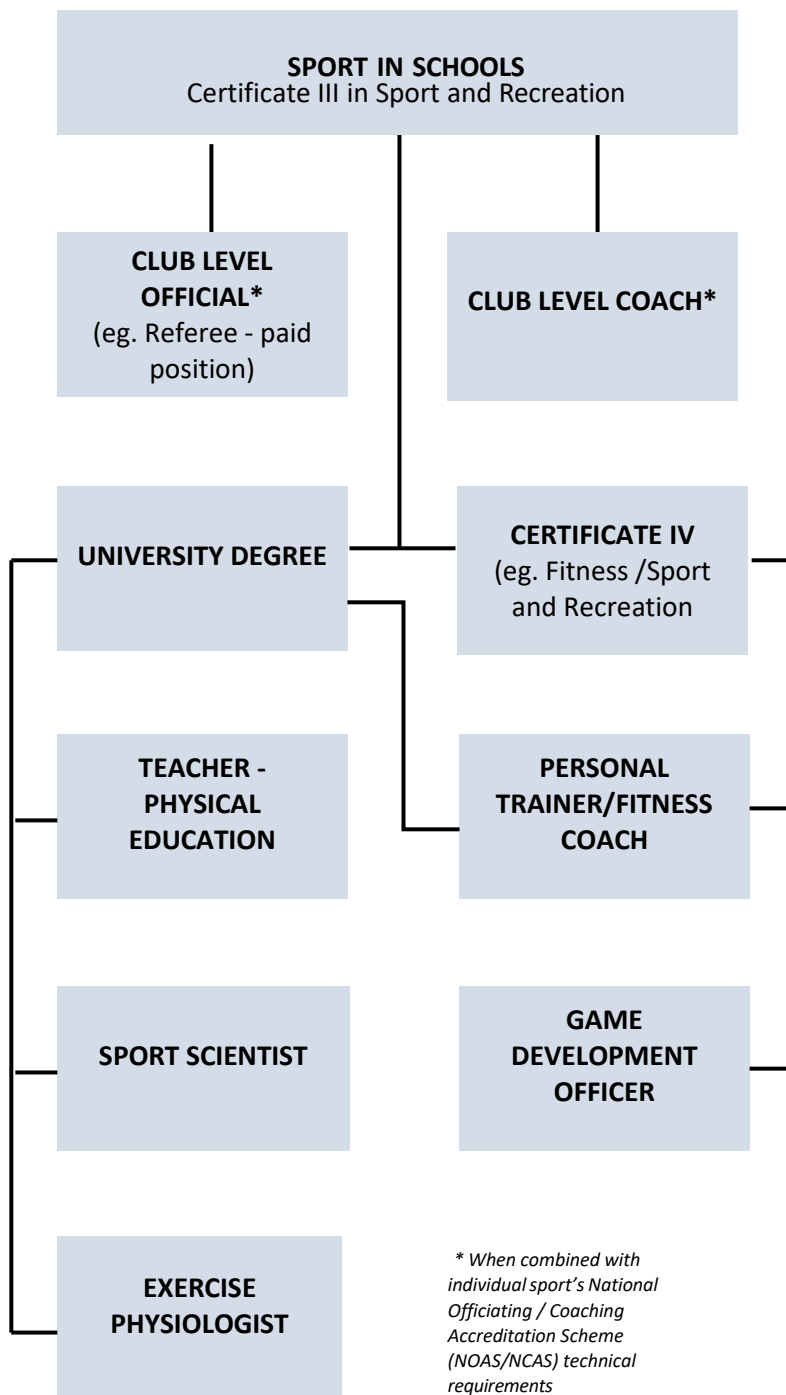
WHAT DO STUDENTS ACHIEVE?

- SIS30115 Certificate III in Sport and Recreation (maximum 7 QCE Credits). Completing the 'Term 7 Add-On' as well can result in a maximum 8 QCE Credits
- Entry qualification: SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation (only in Dual Qualification)
- The nationally recognised First Aid competency - HLTAID011 Provide First Aid
- Community Coaching - Essential Skills Course (non-accredited), issued by Sport Australia
- Successful completion of the Certificate III in Sport and Recreation may contribute towards a student's Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)

SKILLS REQUIRED

- Officiating games or competitions
- Coaching beginner participants to develop fundamental skills
- Effective communication skills
- Using digital technologies in sport environments

CAREER PATHWAYS



* When combined with individual sport's National Officiating / Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NOAS/NCAS) technical requirements



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**SIS30115 CERTIFICATE III IN SPORT AND RECREATION +
SIS20115 CERTIFICATE II IN SPORT AND RECREATION
(or as Standalone Qualification:
SIS30115 Certificate III in Sport and Recreation)**

COURSE OVERVIEW & OUTLINE

Registered Training Organisation:

Binnacle Training (RTO 31319)

This qualification reflects the multiskilled role of individuals in operational and customer support positions in the sport or community recreation industry. Students assist with facilitation of sport and recreation programs within their school community including:

- Officiating games
- Conducting coaching sessions
- Community sport, fitness and recreation programs
- Using digital technologies in sports environments

Available with a 'General' or 'Sport Specialty' Coaching and Officiating outcome - AFL, NRL, Netball, Rugby Union or Choose Your Own Sport!

This program also includes the following:

- The nationally recognised First Aid competency - HLTAID011 Provide First Aid
- Community Coaching - Essential Skills Course (non-accredited), issued by Sport Australia
- Community Officiating General Principles Course (non-accredited), issued by Sport Australia
- A range of career pathway options including Club Level Official and/or Coach

A Language, Literacy and Numeracy (LLN) Screening process is undertaken at the time of initial enrolment (or earlier) to ensure students have the capacity to effectively engage with the content and to identify support measures as required.

Delivery Format:

2-Year Format

Timetable Requirements:

1-Timetabled Line

Units of Competency:

Standalone Qualification - 15 Units

Dual Qualification - Additional 6 Units

Suitable Year Level(s):

Year 11 and 12

Study Mode:

Combination of classroom and project-based learning, online learning (self-study) and practical work-related experience

Cost (Fee-For-Service):

\$335.00 per person

(Cert II entry qualification = \$265.00 + Cert III Gap Fee = \$70.00)

+ \$55 First Aid

QCE Outcome:

Maximum 7 QCE Credits

- Completing the Term 7 Add-on as well can result in a maximum 8 QCE Credits

TERM 1	TOPICS	TERM 2	TOPICS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Binnacle Lounge Induction• Sport, Fitness and Recreation (SFR) Industry Knowledge• SFR Laws and Legislation• Workplace Health and Safety• Maintaining SFR Equipment• Beginning Coaching Principles		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Respond to Emergencies• Provide First Aid• Risk Analysis• Organise Work• Community SFR Programs
	PROGRAMS		PROGRAMS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coaching Program (Teacher Facilitated)• Coaching Program (Student Delivery)• Additional Task: Respond to an Emergency Situation• Self-Directed Learning: Community Coaching Essential Skills (Online Course)		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community SFR Program• Short Course: Provide First Aid (HLTAID011)
UNITS OF COMPETENCY SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION			
HLTAID011 Provide First Aid			
TERM 3	TOPICS	TERM 4	TOPICS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emergency Response• Working in SFR Environments• SFR Industry Knowledge• Work-Related Learning• Handling Complaints		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SFR Industry Knowledge• Work-Related Learning• Internet Research• Conducting SFR Sessions
	PROGRAMS		PROGRAMS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sport-Specific Conditioning Program		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assist with Delivering Coaching Sessions• Deliver Coaching Sessions
UNITS OF COMPETENCY SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION			
HLTWHS001		Participate in workplace health and safety	
SISXEMR001		Respond to emergency situations	
SISXIND001		Work effectively in sport, fitness and recreation environments	
SISXCAI002		Assist with activity sessions	
SISXIND002		Maintain sport, fitness and recreation industry knowledge	
SISXCCS001		Provide quality service	
BSBWOR202		Organise and complete daily work activities	
BSBTEC201		Use business software applications	
BSBTEC202		Use digital technologies to communicate in a work environment	
BSBTEC203		Research using the internet	
ICTICT203		Operate application software packages	
BSBSUS201		Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices	
TERM 5	TOPICS	TERM 6	TOPICS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowledge of Coaching Practices• Conducting SFR Session		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plan and Conduct Sport Pro- grams• Group Facilitation• Prioritising Work• Organising Schedules• Personal Development• Social Media Tools
	PROGRAMS		PROGRAMS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Group Sports Program• Online Course: Community Officiating General Principles		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sport Activity Sessions• Community SFR Program
UNITS OF COMPETENCY SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION			
BSBWOR204		Use business technology	
BSBWH303		Participate in WHS hazard identification, risk assessment and risk control	
SISXCAI003		Conduct non-instructional sport, fitness or recreation sessions	
ICTWEB201		Use social media tools for collaboration and engagement	
SISXCAI006		Facilitate groups	
BSBWOR301		Organise personal work priorities and development	
BSBADM307		Organise schedules	
SISXCAI004		Plan and conduct programs	
TERM 7 ADD-ON: 4 x Units of Competency	TOPICS	TERM 7 ADD-ON UNITS OF COMPETENCY SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sport-Specific Coaching Sessions• Personal Development• Workplace Performance	SISSCO001	Conduct sport coaching sessions with foundation level participants
		BSBPFE302	Develop self-awareness
		BSBTWK201	Work effectively with others
	PROGRAMS	HLTAID009	Provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation (Completed as part of Provide First Aid - HLTAID011)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sport-Specific Coaching Program		
Please note this Course Schedule is a guide only. This document is to be read in conjunction with Binnacle Training's Program Disclosure Statement (PDS). The PDS sets out the services and training products Binnacle Training as RTO provides and those services carried out by the School as Third Party (i.e. the facilitation of training and assessment services). To access Binnacle's PDS, please visit: binnacletraining.com.au/rto			

OTHER CURRICULUM SUBJECT DESCRIPTIONS

RELIGION, MEANING & LIFE

Young people are confronted by the complexities, dilemmas and conflicting interpretations of life's meaning and purpose. They require, more than ever, the skill of critical thinking in order to navigate an uncertain and pluralistic world. As there is no final answer to life's ultimate meaning and purpose in which intellectual certainty is possible, human knowledge is always partial and limited. Consequently, students are invited to explore within Religion, Meaning and Life the inexhaustible mystery of human existence, as glimpsed primarily through the lens of the Catholic Christian Tradition, as well as other religious traditions and help render this mystery meaningful in their lives.

Within this course, students will have an opportunity to access quality theological material in multiple learning modes and engage in a variety of religious experiences and service learning opportunities. Furthermore, opportunity for a personal response to key religious ideas through dialogue and an evaluation of a range of secular perspectives will be offered. Informed by the Catholic Christian Tradition and other wisdom traditions, this dialogue will address the meaning and purpose of human existence and what that may mean for students' lives.

Requirements

There are no QCE credits attributable to Religion, Meaning and Life. Students will be required to undertake 1 hour per week of Face to Face (FTF) coursework, at least 1 hour per week of Self-Directed Learning (SDL) and a minimum of 5 hours per topic of Religious Experience and Service Learning (RESL). These lessons take place outside of school hours.

Consequently, students who are approved to study Religion, Meaning and Life must be motivated, independent and organised learners. Students who wish to apply for this alternative study plan are required to meet with the College Principal.

Students will develop twenty first century skills of critical thinking, creative thinking, communication, collaboration and teamwork, personal and social skills and information and communication technologies skills (ICT). Students will develop an ability to engage in an open narrative and dialogue with other religious traditions as well as their own. This course meets the Archdiocesan requirements for quality Religious Education in Senior Secondary Years, is rigorous but differs in modes of delivery and content presentation. The course monitors student progress and achievement by way of ongoing formative assessment opportunities in which students demonstrate their learning in a variety of ways.

Assumed Knowledge and Attributes

- Familiarity with concepts from Year 10 Religion
- Self-motivated and able to negotiate and design an individualised path of study from the choices offered within the course
- Ability to manage time effectively and complete course requirements in terms of mandated hours and tasks
- Capacity for independent, self-directed learning

Pathways

A course of study in Religion, Meaning and Life can establish a basis for further education and employment in such fields as anthropology, the arts, education, journalism, politics, psychology, religious studies, sociology and social work.

Mode of Delivery

Religion, Meaning and Life is not a timetabled subject and must be undertaken outside of school hours:

- Face to Face: (FTF) - minimum 10 hours per term
- Self-Directed Learning (SDL) – minimum 10 hours per term
- Religious Experience and Service Learning (RESL) – minimum 5 hours per topic.

This course has formative assessment. Towards the end of each topic, students are given time in both the Face to Face (FTF) mode and Self-Directed Learning mode (SDL) to add to their Learnings for Life Portfolio.

This course does not contribute QCE points or to an ATAR score.

CAREERS

Careers Education at St Patrick's College Townsville is structured and planned using the guidelines in the [ABCD: Australian Blueprint for Career Development](#) and with careful consideration of the Employability Skills for the Future. These include: communication, teamwork, problem solving, initiative and enterprise, planning and organising, self-management, learning and technology.

The St Patrick's College Townsville Career Education Program supports students in planning their own careers journey. Students are also exposed to the myriad of future pathways available to them. Tertiary institutions, alternative pathway providers, industry experts and past students address students about up-to-date options. Students are also shown how to access the most recent and relevant information in order to equip themselves with the appropriate strategies and tools to make decisions about their future pathways. These pathways may include further training, tertiary study or direct entry into paid employment after Year 12.

Topics covered in the Year 11 Careers Education Program include:

- ATAR/Vocational Education and Training (VET)/TAFE subjects
- Voluntary Work Experience
- Mandatory Work Placement for VET Certificates
- School Based Apprenticeships/Traineeships
- Individual Case Management
- Attending Career Focused Guest Speaker events
- Review of Career Plans

Topics covered in the Year 11 Careers Education Program include:

- Individual Career Guidance
- Career Plan/Senior Review Interviews
- Transition Plans
- University Exam Preparation
- Attending University Open Days and Experience Days
- Attending Career Focused Guest Speaker events
- Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) Applications
- Scholarship investigation and application
- Job Search Strategies and Recruitment methods

Further information regarding careers can be found on the [St Patricks' College Townsville Careers Website](#).

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Personal Development Education in Years 11 and 12 prepares students to negotiate the challenges and opportunities of an increasingly complex world. During these lessons, students develop knowledge, understanding and skills to maximise their individual talents and capabilities for lifelong learning. Students are encouraged and enabled to enjoy learning and to be self-motivated, reflective, competent learners who will be able to take part in further study, work or training.

The program focuses on:

- Enhancing student wellbeing
- Good communication skills
- Interpersonal skills to build respectful relationships
- Problem-solving skills to find best solutions to obstacles
- Adaptability skills that enable students to adjust to new and unanticipated situations quickly, easily and calmly
- Leadership skills to guide others and build confidence

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