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*Hervey Bay State High School is committed to completing the outlined training and assessment once students have started study in their chosen qualification/s or course/s from the course start date, and have met all of their student responsibilities. Students who enter a course after the start date may have a negotiated package of units leading to a Statement of Attainment.*

*In the event of losing the specialist trainer, and the RTO being unable to obtain a suitable replacement, Hervey Bay State High School will arrange for agreed training and assessment to be completed through another RTO if this is possible. (Fees may be incurred.) Prior to the transfer to another RTO, affected students will be formally notified of the arrangements, and an agreement to those arrangements, including any refund fees, will be obtained. If transfer is not possible, the RTO will gain a written agreement for a subject/course transfer from the student and parent.*

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## Senior Education Profile

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

- statement of results
- 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/sepp](http://www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/senior/certificates-qualifications/sepp)

### Statement of Results

Students are issued with a statement of results in the December following the completion of a QCAA-developed course of study. A new statement of results is issued to students after each QCAA-developed course of study is completed.

A full record of study will be issued, along with the QCE qualification, in the first December or July after the student meets the requirements for a QCE.

### 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.

### 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.

## Senior Subjects

The QCAA develops four types of senior subject syllabuses — General, Applied, Senior External Examinations and Short Courses. Results in General and Applied 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.

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

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.

## 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.

## 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.

# 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 and Short Courses

In addition to literacy and numeracy, General syllabuses and Short Courses 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 & 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
- core skills for work — the set of knowledge, understanding and non-technical skills that underpin successful participation in work.

# Vocational Education and Training (VET)

Students can access VET programs through the school if it:

- is through a registered training organisation (RTO);
- has a third-party arrangement with an external provider who is an RTO; and/or
- offers opportunities for students to undertake school-based apprenticeships or traineeships.

## Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) eligibility

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

- best five General subject results; or
- best results in a combination of four General subject results plus an Applied subject result or a Certificate III or higher VET qualification.

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 Sound Level of Achievement in one of five subjects — English, Essential English, Literature, English and Literature Extension or English as an Additional Language.

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

### Structure

The syllabus structure consists of a course overview and assessment.

#### 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.

#### 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.

## 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.

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# Applied Syllabuses

## Structure

The syllabus structure consists of a course overview and assessment.

### Applied syllabuses course overview

Applied syllabuses are developmental four-unit courses of study.

Units 1 and 2 of the course are designed to allow students to begin their engagement with the course content, i.e. the knowledge, understanding and skills of the subject. Course content, learning experiences and assessment increase in complexity across the four units as students develop greater independence as learners.

Units 3 and 4 consolidate student learning. Results from assessment in Applied subjects contribute to the award of a QCE and results from Units 3 and 4 may contribute as a single input to ATAR calculation.

A course of study for Applied syllabuses includes core topics and elective areas for study.

## Assessment

Applied syllabuses use *four* summative internal assessments from Units 3 and 4 to determine a student's exit result.

Schools should develop at least *two* but no more than *four* internal assessments for Units 1 and 2 and these assessments should provide students with opportunities to become familiar with the summative internal assessment techniques to be used for Units 3 and 4.

Applied syllabuses do not use external assessment.

### Instrument-specific standards matrixes

For each assessment instrument, schools develop an instrument-specific standards matrix by selecting the syllabus standards descriptors relevant to the task and the dimension/s being assessed. The matrix is shared with students and used as a tool for making judgments about the quality of students' responses to the instrument. Schools develop assessments to allow students to demonstrate the range of standards.

### Essential English and Essential Mathematics — Common internal assessment

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 senior subject 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.

Senior External Examinations

## Short Course Syllabuses

### Course Overview

Short Courses are one-unit courses of study. A Short Course syllabus includes topics and subtopics. Results contribute to the award of a QCE. Results do not contribute to ATAR calculations.

Short Courses are available in:

- Career Education
- Literacy
- Numeracy.

### Assessment

Short Course syllabuses use two summative school-developed assessments to determine a student's exit result. Schools develop these assessments based on the learning described in the syllabus. Short Courses do not use external assessment.

Short Course syllabuses provide instrument-specific standards for the two summative internal assessments. The instrument-specific standards describe the characteristics evident in student responses and align with the identified assessment objectives. Assessment objectives are drawn from the topic objectives and are contextualised for the requirements of the assessment instrument

## Head Start Program

The Head Start Program is offered by the University of the Sunshine Coast [USC]. It is designed for high achieving students who have the capability, maturity and motivation to undertake a university subject while completing senior studies. For this reason, there are strict entry requirements outlined by the university.

Benefits may include:

- preparation for tertiary study,
- guaranteed entry to university (conditions apply)
- reduced HECS debt,
- credit towards the QCE.

The Head Start Program is available to students from Semester Two, Year 11. **Students must achieve A's and B's across all of their subjects to be eligible.** A commitment to study and classwork must be evident. Students need to submit a completed application to the Guidance Officers (Ms Bernadette York or Mr Matt Eden) along with a copy of their most recent report card. The application will be assessed and, if approved, forwarded to the university. USC will make the final decision regarding student's enrolment in a course.

## External VET Courses

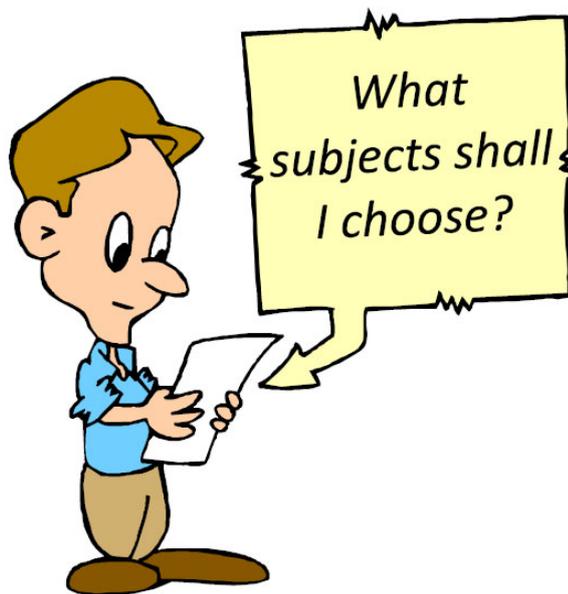
VET courses are available for Years 11 and 12 students through external providers such as TAFE Queensland East Coast. These courses are released via the TAFE Queensland East Coast website and students wishing to enrol must complete the application process and supply all necessary documentation. The HOD Senior Schooling will review all applications prior to approval. Students will only be approved when the SET Plan is completed and there is a satisfactory attendance and conduct record as well as a C for both Year 10 English and Maths.

All queries regarding TAFE courses need to be directed to TAFE Queensland East Coast as the provider.



# Subject Offerings

*Years 11 – 12*





# General Mathematics

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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): • 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			

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# Mathematical Methods

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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

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# Specialist Mathematics

## General senior subject

General

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

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# Essential Mathematics

## Applied senior subject

**Applied**

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

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

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# English

## General senior subject

General

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

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

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# Literature

## General senior subject

General

Literature focuses on the study of 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 literary texts.

Students engage with language and texts through a range of teaching and learning experiences to foster the skills to communicate effectively. They make choices about generic structures, language, textual features and technologies to participate actively in the dialogue and detail of literary analysis and the creation of imaginative and analytical texts in a range of modes, mediums and forms.

Students explore how literary texts shape perceptions of the world and enable us to enter the worlds of others. They explore ways in which literary texts may reflect or challenge social and cultural ways of thinking and influence audiences.

### Pathways

A course of study in Literature 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
<b>Introduction to literary studies</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ways literary texts are received and responded to</li> <li>• How textual choices affect readers</li> <li>• Creating analytical and imaginative texts</li> </ul>	<b>Texts and culture</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ways literary texts connect with each other — genre, concepts and contexts</li> <li>• Ways literary texts connect with each other — style and structure</li> <li>• Creating analytical and imaginative texts</li> </ul>	<b>Literature and identity</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relationship between language, culture and identity in literary texts</li> <li>• Power of language to represent ideas, events and people</li> <li>• Creating analytical and imaginative texts</li> </ul>	<b>Independent explorations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dynamic nature of literary interpretation</li> <li>• Close examination of style, structure and subject matter</li> <li>• Creating analytical and imaginative texts</li> </ul>

## 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 — analytical written response	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Extended response — imaginative written response	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Extended response — imaginative spoken/multimodal response	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — analytical written response	25%

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# English and Literature Extension

## General senior subject

General

English & Literature Extension is an extension of both the English (2019) and the Literature (2019) syllabuses and therefore offers more challenge than other English courses as it builds on the study students have already undertaken.

English & Literature Extension provides a theorised study of literature, to understand themselves and the potential of literature to expand the scope of their experiences. They ask critical questions about cultural assumptions, implicit values and differing world views encountered in an exploration of social, cultural and textual understandings about literary texts and the ways they might be interpreted and valued.

Students apply different theoretical approaches to analyse and evaluate a variety of literary texts and different ways readers might interpret these texts. They synthesise different interpretations and relevant theoretical approaches to produce written and spoken/signed extended analytical and evaluative texts. The nature of the learning in this subject provides opportunities for students to work independently on intellectually challenging tasks.

### Pathways

A course of study in English & Literature Extension can establish a basis for further education and employment in a range of fields, and can lead to a range of careers in areas where understanding social, cultural and textual influences on ways of viewing the world is a key element, such as law, journalism, media, arts, curating, education, policy and human resources. It also provides a good introduction to the academic disciplines and fields of study that involve the application of methodologies based on theoretical understandings.

### Objectives

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

- demonstrate understanding of literary texts studied to develop interpretation/s
- demonstrate understanding of different theoretical approaches to exploring meaning in texts
- demonstrate understanding of the relationships among theoretical approaches
- apply different theoretical approaches to literary texts to develop and examine interpretations
- analyse how different genres, structures and textual features of literary texts support different interpretations
- use appropriate patterns and conventions of academic genres and communication, including correct terminology, citation and referencing conventions
- use textual features in extended analytical responses to create desired effects for specific audiences
- evaluate theoretical approaches used to explore different interpretations of literary texts
- evaluate interpretations of literary texts, making explicit the theoretical approaches that underpin them
- synthesise analysis of literary texts, theoretical approaches and interpretations with supporting evidence.

## Structure

To study English & Literature Extension, students should have completed Units 1 and 2 of either English or Literature. In Year 12, students undertake Units 3 and 4 of English & Literature Extension concurrently with, or after, Units 3 and 4 of English and/or Units 3 and 4 of Literature.

Unit 3	Unit 4
<b>Ways of reading</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Readings and defences</li> <li>• Complex transformation and defence</li> </ul>	<b>Exploration and evaluation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extended academic research paper</li> <li>• Application of theory</li> </ul>

## 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).

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Extended response — reading and defence	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Extended response — academic research paper	35%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Extended response — complex transformation and defence	20%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — theorised exploration of unseen text	25%

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# Essential English

## Applied senior subject

**Applied**

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

## Assessment

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

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# Ancient History

General senior subject

General

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 historical sources and evidence
- synthesise information from historical sources and evidence
- evaluate historical interpretations
- create responses that communicate meaning.

## Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
<b>Investigating the ancient world</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Digging up the past</li> <li>• Ancient Societies – slavery in the Ancient World.</li> </ul>	<b>Personalities in their time</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hatshepsut</li> <li>• Akhenaten</li> </ul>	<b>Reconstructing the ancient world</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pompeii and Herculaneum</li> <li>• The Medieval Crusades</li> </ul>	<b>People, power and authority</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ancient Rome — Civil War and the breakdown of the Republic</li> <li>• Augustus (external exam)</li> </ul>

## Assessment

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

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# Business

## General senior subject

General

Business provides opportunities for students to develop business knowledge and skills to contribute meaningfully to society, the workforce and the marketplace and prepares them as potential employees, employers, leaders, managers and entrepreneurs.

Students investigate the business life cycle, develop skills in examining business data and information and learn business concepts, theories, processes and strategies relevant to leadership, management and entrepreneurship. They investigate the influence of, and implications for, strategic development in the functional areas of finance, human resources, marketing and operations.

Students use a variety of technological, communication and analytical tools to comprehend, analyse, interpret and synthesise business data and information. They engage with the dynamic business world (in both national and global contexts), the changing workforce and emerging digital technologies.

### Pathways

A course of study in Business can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of business management, business development, entrepreneurship, business analytics, economics, business law, accounting and finance, international business, marketing, human resources management and business information systems.

### Objectives

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

- describe business environments and situations
- explain business concepts, strategies and processes
- select and analyse business data and information
- interpret business relationships, patterns and trends to draw conclusions
- evaluate business practices and strategies to make decisions and propose recommendations
- create responses that communicate meaning to suit purpose and audience.

### Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
<b>Business creation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamentals of business</li> <li>• Creation of business ideas</li> </ul>	<b>Business growth</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of a business</li> <li>• Entering markets</li> </ul>	<b>Business diversification</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competitive markets</li> <li>• Strategic development</li> </ul>	<b>Business evolution</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Repositioning a business</li> <li>• Transformation of a business</li> </ul>

## 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): • Extended response — feasibility report	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation — business report	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — combination response	25%

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# Certificate III in Retail (SIR30216)

## VET Certificate

VET



The Certificate III in Retail course provides the knowledge and skills needed to work in retail settings. Retail is one of Australia's most important industries providing employment opportunities for every age and skill level from basic service through to high-level management positions. Studying retail gives you the skills needed to work in a range of settings including specialty retailers, supermarkets, department stores, on-line environments and restaurants.

In this course you will learn how to:

- Sell products
- Provide customer service
- Ensure safety and security in a retail environment
- Work with independence under limited supervision
- Monitor day-to-day workplace operations
- Engage with social media for promotional work

This qualification reflects the role of individuals who have the primary responsibility of engaging the customer, maintaining daily store operations and delivering on organisational expectations. They have sound knowledge of product and service offerings. These individuals possess a range of well-developed skills where discretion and judgment is required. They work with some independence under limited supervision. Some individuals working at this level are responsible for supervising other team members and monitoring day-to-day workplace operations.

### Pathways

After achieving this, students may undertake further study (Certificate IV, Diploma) or undertake work as a frontline sales assistant, customer service representative, shop assistant or retail assistant.

Units of Competency			
BSBSUS201	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices	SIRXSLS001	Sell to the retail customer
SIRRINV001	Receive and handle retail stock	SIRXRSK001	Identify and respond to security risks
SIRRMER001	Produce visual merchandise displays	SIRXIND001	Work effectively in a service environment
SIRXIND003	Organise personal work requirements	SIRXCOM002	Work effectively in a team
SIRRRTF001	Balance and secure point of sale terminal	SIRXCEG003	Build customer relationships and loyalty
SIRXWHS002	Contribute to workplace health and safety	SIRXCEG001	Engage the customer

**Assessment**

Folio of practical tasks	Written tasks	Teacher observations
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**Entry Requirements**

It is recommended that students have achieved a C standard in Year 10 Mathematics and English.

**Fees**

There are no material costs for this qualification.

**Other Significant Requirements**

**Please note: Students are strongly encouraged to use their BYO device for the duration of the training and assessment of this course.**

**Service Agreement**

Information provided is correct at the time of publication but is subject to change.

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# Certificate III in Business (BSB30120)

## VET Certificate

VET



The Certificate III in Business course provides a foundation in business and office administration.

Emphasis is placed on communication, working with computers and office skills. Topics will be studied that build skills in the following areas:

- Team work,
- Financial records,
- Business Plans, and
- Marketing.

### Pathways

After achieving this certificate, students may undertake further study (Certificate IV, Diploma) or enter the workforce.

Units of Competency			
BSBCRT311	Apply critical thinking skills in a team environment	BSBTEC302	Design and produce spreadsheets
BSBPEF201	Support personal wellbeing in the workplace	BSBWRT311	Write simple documents
BSBSUS211	Participate in sustainable work practices	BSBESB401	Research and develop business plans
BSBTWK301	Use inclusive work practices	BSBXTW301	Work in a team
BSBWHS311	Assist with maintaining workplace safety	SIRXMKT001	Support marketing and promotional activities
BSBXCM301	Engage in workplace communication	BSBTEC401	Design and Produce Complex Text Documents
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Assessment		
Folio of tasks	Written tasks	Teacher observations

### Entry Requirements

It is recommended that students have achieved a C standard in Year 10 Mathematics and English. It is not necessary to have completed the Year 10 Economics and Business, however it would be an advantage.

## **Fees**

There are no material costs for this qualification.

## **Other Significant Requirements**

**Please note: Students require their own BYO device for the duration of and to successfully complete the training and assessment of this course.**

## **Service Agreement**

This is a two-year course. The RTO guarantees that the student will be provided with every opportunity to complete the certificate as per the rights and obligations outlined in the enrolment process and information handbooks provided. Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with a Qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

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# Geography

## General senior subject

General

Geography focuses on the significance of 'place' and 'space' in understanding our world. Students engage in a range of learning experiences that develop their geographical skills and thinking through the exploration of geographical challenges and their effects on people, places and the environment.

Students investigate places in Australia and across the globe to observe and measure spatial, environmental, economic, political, social and cultural factors. They interpret global concerns and challenges including responding to risk in hazard zones, planning sustainable places, managing land cover transformations and planning for population change. They develop an understanding of the complexities involved in sustainable planning and management practices.

Students observe, gather, organise, analyse and present data and information across a range of scales. They engage in real-world applications of geographical skills and thinking, including the collection and representation of data.

### Pathways

A course of study in Geography can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of urban and environmental design, planning and management; biological and environmental science; conservation and land management; emergency response and hazard management; oceanography, surveying, global security, economics, business, law, engineering, architecture, information technology, and science.

### Objectives

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

- explain geographical processes
- comprehend geographic patterns
- analyse geographical data and information
- apply geographical understanding
- synthesise information from the analysis to propose action
- communicate geographical understanding.

### Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
<b>Responding to risk and vulnerability in hazard zones</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Natural hazard zones</li> <li>• Ecological hazard zones</li> </ul>	<b>Planning sustainable places</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Responding to challenges facing a place in Australia</li> <li>• Managing the challenges facing a megacity</li> </ul>	<b>Responding to land cover transformations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land cover transformations and climate change</li> <li>• Responding to local land cover transformations</li> </ul>	<b>Managing population change</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Population challenges in Australia</li> <li>• Global population change</li> </ul>

## 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): • Investigation — data report	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation — field report	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — combination response	25%

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# Legal Studies

General senior subject

General

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

## 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): • Investigation — argumentative essay	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Investigation — inquiry report	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — combination response	25%

For further information, contact the Head of Department Teaching and Innovation, Miss Sarah Brierley, [sbrie11@eq.edu.au](mailto:sbrie11@eq.edu.au).

# Certificate IV in Justice Studies (10971NAT)

## VET Certificate

VET

The Certificate IV in Justice Studies is an accredited course and is designed by justice professionals for people who would like to achieve employment in the criminal justice system and wish to develop a deeper understanding of the justice system.

The Certificate IV in Justice Studies course is designed to provide students with a broad understanding of the justice system, and to develop skills and knowledge which underpin the justice system.



This qualification is a nationally recognised qualification and the course is externally assessed and run by Unity College.

Please note – this course is offered through an external provider, Unity College. **There are costs involved when enrolling in this course.**

## Pathways

The Certificate IV in Justice Studies is recommended for students looking to gain employment or further study opportunities in justice and law related fields such as the police service, justice related occupations, corrective services, courts, legal offices, customs service, security industry and private investigations.

This course can help prepare students for study at various universities or diplomas through TAFE.

Units of Competency			
BSBXCM401	Apply communication strategies in the workplace	NAT10971001	Provide information and referral advice on justice-related issues
BSBLDR414	Lead team effectiveness	NAT10971002	Prepare documentation for court proceedings
BSBLEG421	Apply understanding of the Australian Legal System	NAT10971001	Analyse social justice issues
BSBLEG523	Apply legal principles in tort law matters	PSPREG003	Apply Regulatory Powers
BSBPEF402	Develop personal work priorities	PSPREG010	Prepare a brief of evidence

Assessment			
Written projects	Online quizzes	Observations of skills	Oral and written questions

Evidence contributing towards competency will be collected throughout the program. This process allows a student's competency to be assessed in a holistic approach that integrates a range of competencies. Students who also study Legal Studies receive two of the above units as RPL (pending satisfactory results in Legal Studies).

## Learning Experiences

Content is delivered in a classroom environment through Certificate IV in Justice Studies classes, and is supported by an online portal (Axcelerate). Learning activities can be in the format of online reading and activities, whole day workshops and three (3) compulsory workshops with industry professionals.

Evidence contributing towards competency will be collected throughout the program. This process allows a student's competency to be assessed in a holistic approach that integrates a range of competencies. Evidence is gathered through written projects, online quizzes, observation skills and oral/written questions.

## Entry Requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for this course. However, it is recommended students have achieved a C standard in Year 10 English, in order to demonstrate sufficient spoken and written comprehension to successfully complete all study and assessment requirements. Students also need to demonstrate independent learning skills.

## Fees

\$750 (current as at 30 September 2022) as an up-front fee, with no payment plans available. Fees are paid directly to Unity College via their website. VETiS funding is not available for this course.

Refunds for a student exiting a certificate course is on a prorata basis related to the unit/s of competency covered (less a \$50.00 administration fee). Students must have evidence of the reason/s why exit from the course is being sought (e.g. a medical certificate or show extreme personal hardship). Applications for refund are made to the Unity College Principal and are at the discretion of the Principal.

## Other Significant Requirements

Access to the internet (via the school's network) is provided. It is highly recommended that students must have their own device (laptop or iPad)

## Service Agreement

This is a two year course. The RTO guarantees that the student will be provided with every opportunity to complete the certificate as per the rights and obligations outlined in the enrolment process and information handbooks provided. Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with a Qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

*10971NAT Certificate IV in Justice Studies – Training provided by Unity College as a Registered Training Provider. Provider Number: 32123.*

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# Modern History

## General senior subject

General

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, issues and concepts
- devise historical questions and conduct research
- analyse historical sources and evidence
- synthesise information from historical sources and evidence
- evaluate historical interpretations
- create responses that communicate meaning.

### Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
<p><b>Ideas in the modern world</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australian Frontier Wars, 1788–1930s</li> <li>• Russian Revolution, 1905–1920s</li> </ul>	<p><b>Movements in the modern world</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women’s movement since 1893</li> <li>• Anti-apartheid movement in South Africa, 1948–1991</li> </ul>	<p><b>National experiences in the modern world</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Germany, 1914–1945</li> <li>• China, 1931–1976</li> </ul>	<p><b>International experiences in the modern world</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cold War, 1945–1991</li> <li>• Australian engagement with Asia since 1945 (external exam)</li> </ul>

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

For further information, contact the Head of Department Humanities, Ms Tinka Welton, [twelt2@eq.edu.au](mailto:twelt2@eq.edu.au).

# Social and Community Studies

Applied senior subject

Applied

Social and Community Studies focuses on personal development and social skills which lead to self-reliance, self-management and concern for others. It fosters appreciation of, and respect for, cultural diversity and encourages responsible attitudes and behaviours required for effective participation in the community and for thinking critically, creatively and constructively about their future.

Students develop personal, interpersonal, and citizenship skills, encompassing social skills, communication skills, respect for and interaction with others, building rapport, problem solving and decision making, self-esteem, self-confidence and resilience, workplace skills, learning and study skills.

Students use an inquiry approach in collaborative learning environments to investigate the dynamics of society and the benefits of working with others in the community. They are provided with opportunities to explore and refine personal values and lifestyle choices and to practise, develop and value social, community and workplace participation skills.

## Pathways

A course of study in Social & Community Studies can establish a basis for further education and employment, as it helps students develop the skills and attributes necessary in all workplaces.

## Objectives

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

- recognise and describe concepts and ideas related to the development of personal, interpersonal and citizenship skills
- recognise and explain the ways life skills relate to social contexts
- explain issues and viewpoints related to social investigations
- organise information and material related to social contexts and issues
- analyse and compare viewpoints about social contexts and issues
- apply concepts and ideas to make decisions about social investigations
- use language conventions and features to communicate ideas and information, according to purposes
- plan and undertake social investigations
- communicate the outcomes of social investigations, to suit audiences
- appraise inquiry processes and the outcomes of social investigations.

## Structure

The Social and Community Studies course is designed around three core life skills areas which must be covered within every elective topic studied, and be integrated throughout the course.

Core life skills	Elective topics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal skills — Growing and developing as an individual</li> <li>• Interpersonal skills — Living with and relating to other people</li> <li>• Citizenship skills — Receiving from and contributing to community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Into relationships</li> <li>• Today's society</li> <li>• Gender and identity</li> <li>• Science and technology</li> <li>• Money management</li> <li>• Health: Recreation and leisure</li> <li>• Legally, it could be you</li> </ul>

## Assessment

For Social and Community Studies, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student's exit result, and consists of four instruments from at least three different assessment techniques, including:

- one project or investigation
- one examination
- no more than two assessments from each technique.

Project	Investigation	Extended response	Examination
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students' own knowledge and the data they have been given.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.	A response that answers a number of provided questions, scenarios and/or problems.
At least two different components from the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 500–900 words</li> <li>• spoken: 2½–3½ minutes</li> <li>• multimodal: 3–6 minutes</li> <li>• performance: continuous class time</li> <li>• product: continuous class time.</li> </ul>	Presented in one of the following modes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul>	Presented in one of the following modes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60–90 minutes</li> <li>• 50–250 words per item on the test</li> </ul>

For further information, contact Head of Department Humanities, Ms Tinka Welton, [twelt2@eq.esu.au](mailto:twelt2@eq.esu.au).

# Tourism

## Applied senior subject

Applied

Tourism studies enable students to gain an appreciation of the role of the tourism industry and the structure, scope and operation of the related tourism sectors of travel, hospitality and visitor services.

Students examine the socio-cultural, environmental and economic aspects of tourism, as well as tourism opportunities, problems and issues across global, national and local contexts.

Students develop and apply tourism-related knowledge and understanding through learning experiences and assessment in which they plan projects, analyse issues and opportunities, and evaluate concepts and information.

## Pathways

A course of study in Tourism can establish a basis for further education and employment in businesses and industries such as tourist attractions, cruising, gaming, government and industry organisations, meeting and events coordination, caravan parks, marketing, museums and galleries, tour operations, wineries, cultural liaison, tourism and leisure industry development, and transport and travel.

## Objectives

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

- recall terminology associated with tourism and the tourism industry
- describe and explain tourism concepts and information
- identify and explain tourism issues or opportunities
- analyse tourism issues and opportunities
- apply tourism concepts and information from a local, national and global perspective
- communicate meaning and information using language conventions and features relevant to tourism contexts
- generate plans based on consumer and industry needs
- evaluate concepts and information within tourism and the tourism industry
- draw conclusions and make recommendations.

## Structure

The Tourism course is designed around interrelated core topics and electives.

Core topics	Elective topics	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism as an industry</li> <li>• The travel experience</li> <li>• Sustainable tourism</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technology and tourism</li> <li>• Forms of tourism</li> <li>• Tourist destinations and attractions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tourism marketing</li> <li>• Types of tourism</li> <li>• Tourism client groups</li> </ul>

## Assessment

For Tourism, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student's exit result, and consists of four instruments from at least three different assessment techniques, including:

- one project
- one examination
- no more than two assessments from each technique.

Project	Investigation	Extended response	Examination
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students' own knowledge and the data they have been given.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.	A response that answers a number of provided questions, scenarios and/or problems.
<p>At least two different components from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 500–900 words</li> <li>• spoken: 2½–3½ minutes</li> <li>• multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-presentation: 8 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 3–6 minutes</li> </ul> </li> <li>• performance: continuous class time</li> <li>• product: continuous class time.</li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-presentation: 10 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-presentation: 10 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60–90 minutes</li> <li>• 50–250 words per item</li> </ul>

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# Engineering

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Examination	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination	25%

For further information, contact Head of Department INTAD and STEM, Mr Jonathan Vallance, [jval0@eq.edu.au](mailto:jval0@eq.edu.au).

# Engineering Skills

## Applied senior subject

Applied

Engineering Skills focuses on the underpinning industry practices and production processes required to create, maintain and repair predominantly metal products in the engineering manufacturing industry.

Students understand industry practices, interpret specifications, including technical information and drawings, demonstrate and apply safe and practical production processes with hand/power tools and machinery, communicate using oral, written and graphical modes, organise, calculate and plan production processes and evaluate the products they create using predefined specifications.

Students develop transferable skills by engaging in manufacturing tasks that relate to business and 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 Engineering Skills can establish a basis for further education and employment in engineering trades. With additional training and experience, potential employment opportunities may be found, for example, as a sheet metal worker, metal fabricator, welder, maintenance fitter, metal machinist, locksmith, air-conditioning mechanic, refrigeration mechanic or automotive mechanic.

### Objectives

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

- describe industry practices in manufacturing tasks
- demonstrate fundamental production skills
- interpret drawings and technical information
- analyse manufacturing tasks to organise materials and resources
- select and apply production skills and procedures in manufacturing tasks
- use visual representations and language conventions and features to communicate for particular purposes
- plan and adapt production processes
- create products from specifications
- evaluate industry practices, production processes and products, and make recommendations.

### Structure

The Engineering Skills course is designed around core and elective topics.

Core topics	Elective topics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Industry practices</li> <li>• Production processes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fitting and machining</li> <li>• Sheet metal working</li> <li>• Welding and fabrication</li> </ul>

## Assessment

For Engineering Skills, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student's exit result, and consists of four instruments, including:

- at least two projects
- at least one practical demonstration (separate to the assessable component of a project).

Project	Practical demonstration	Examination
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario.	A task that assesses the practical application of a specific set of teacher-identified production skills and procedures.	A response that answers a number of provided questions, scenarios and/or problems.
<p>A project consists of a product component and at least one of the following components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 500–900 words</li> <li>• spoken: 2½–3½ minutes</li> <li>• multimodal               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-written presentation: 8 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 3–6 minutes</li> </ul> </li> <li>• product: continuous class time.</li> </ul>	Students demonstrate production skills and procedures in class under teacher supervision.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60–90 minutes</li> <li>• 50–250 words per item</li> </ul>

For further information, contact Head of Department INTAD and STEM, Mr Jonathan Vallance, [jval0@eq.edu.au](mailto:jval0@eq.edu.au).

# Furnishing Skills

Applied senior subject

Applied

Furnishing Skills focuses on the underpinning industry practices and production processes required to manufacture furnishing products with high aesthetic qualities.

Students understand industry practices; interpret specifications, including technical information and drawings; demonstrate and apply safe practical production processes with hand/power tools and machinery; communicate using oral, written and graphical modes; organise, calculate and plan production processes; and evaluate the products they create using predefined specifications.

Students develop transferable skills by engaging in manufacturing tasks that relate to business and 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 Furnishing Skills can establish a basis for further education and employment in the furnishing industry. With additional training and experience, potential employment opportunities may be found in furnishing trades as, for example, a furniture-maker, wood machinist, cabinet-maker, polisher, shopfitter, upholsterer, furniture restorer, picture framer, floor finisher or glazier.

## Objectives

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

- describe industry practices in manufacturing tasks
- demonstrate fundamental production skills
- interpret drawings and technical information
- analyse manufacturing tasks to organise materials and resources
- select and apply production skills and procedures in manufacturing tasks
- use visual representations and language conventions and features to communicate for particular purposes
- plan and adapt production processes
- create products from specifications
- evaluate industry practices, production processes and products, and make recommendations.

## Structure

The Furnishing Skills course is designed around core and elective topics.

Core topics	Elective topics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Industry practices</li> <li>• Production processes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabinet-making</li> <li>• Furniture finishing</li> <li>• Furniture-making</li> <li>• Glazing and framing</li> <li>• Upholstery</li> </ul>

## Assessment

For Furnishing Skills, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student's exit result, and consists of four instruments, including:

- at least two projects
- at least one practical demonstration (separate to the assessable component of a project).

Project	Practical demonstration	Examination
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario.	A task that assesses the practical application of a specific set of teacher-identified production skills and procedures.	A response that answers a number of provided questions, scenarios and/or problems.
<p>A project consists of a product component and at least one of the following components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 500–900 words</li> <li>• spoken: 2½–3½ minutes</li> <li>• multimodal               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-written presentation: 8 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 3-6 minutes</li> </ul> </li> <li>• product: continuous class time.</li> </ul>	Students demonstrate production skills and procedures in class under teacher supervision.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60–90 minutes</li> <li>• 50–250 words per item</li> </ul>

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# Certificate III in Hospitality (SIT30616)

## VET Certificate

VET



This qualification provides essential skills and knowledge to join the hospitality industry in an entry-level position. The Certificate III in Hospitality provides a solid foundation of operational skills to work in the fast-paced hospitality industry.

### Pathways

The Certificate III in Hospitality 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.

### Mandatory Industry Placement

**Work placement in industry is mandatory in this course. All students must complete thirty-six (36) mandatory shifts of 4 hours duration to meet the course requirements and attain the Certificate III in Hospitality.** Through this, students must demonstrate the skills and knowledge required to work in the hospitality industry. Students must also meet all entry and legislative requirements to work in Hospitality industry to complete industry placement. Multiple work placement opportunities occur within the school environment for students to gain partial and full completion of shifts. Work placement within the local community will be organised by the school's Pathways Officer to commence in Term Three, Year 11. A minimum of 3 x 8-hour work placements will occur per term, until all mandatory shifts are completed by July of Year 12.

Units of Competency			
BSBWOR203	Work effectively with others	SITXCOM002	Show social and cultural sensitivity
SITHIND002	Source and use information on the hospitality industry	SITHKOP001	Clean kitchen premises and equipment
SITHIND004	Work effectively in hospitality service	SITXWHS001	Participate in safe work practices
SITXCCS006	Provide service to customers	SITHCCC006	Prepare appetizers and salads
SITXFSA001	Use hygienic practices for food safety	SITXHRM001	Coach others in job skills
SITHFAB004	Prepare and serve non-alcoholic beverages	SITHCCC008	Prepare vegetable, fruit, eggs and farinaceous
SITHCCC002	Prepare and present sandwiches	SITHFAB005	Prepare and serve espresso coffee
SITHCCC002	Prepare and present simple dishes		

Assessment			
Practical tasks (folios)	Simulations	Teacher observations	Oral and/ or written questions

## Entry Requirements

Students should have an interest in the hospitality and service industry. This course requires students to demonstrate competency in performing food and beverage production and service across a broad range of industry settings.

## Fees

There are fees of \$30 per term associated with the completion of this course.

## Service Agreement

This is a two-year course. The RTO guarantees that the student will be provided with every opportunity to complete the certificate as per the rights and obligations outlined in the enrolment process and information handbooks provided. Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with a Qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

*SIT30616 Certificate III in Hospitality – Training provided by Hervey Bay State High School as a Registered Training Provider. Provider Number: 30299.*

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# Physical Education

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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%

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# Health

## General senior subject

General

Health provides students with a contextualised strengths-based inquiry of the various determinants that create and promote lifelong health, learning and active citizenship. Drawing from the health, behavioural, social and physical sciences, the Health syllabus offers students an action, advocacy and evaluation-oriented curriculum. Health uses an inquiry approach informed by the critical analysis of health information to investigate sustainable health change at personal, peer, family and community levels. Students define and understand broad health topics, which they reframe into specific contextualised health issues for further investigation. Students plan, implement, evaluate and reflect on action strategies that mediate, enable and advocate change through health promotion.

## Pathways

A course of study in Health can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of health science, public health, health education, allied health, nursing and medical professions.

## Objectives

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

- recognise and describe information about health-related topics and issues
- comprehend and use health approaches and frameworks
- analyse and interpret information about health-related topics and issues
- critique information to distinguish determinants that influence health status
- organise information for particular purposes
- investigate and synthesise information to develop action strategies
- evaluate and reflect on implemented action strategies to justify recommendations that mediate, advocate and enable health promotion
- 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
<b>Resilience as a personal health resource</b> <b>Motor learning integrated with a selected physical activity</b>	<b>Peers and family as resources for healthy living</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alcohol (elective)</li> <li>• Body image (elective)</li> </ul>	<b>Community as a resource for healthy living</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Homelessness (elective)</li> <li>• Road safety (elective)</li> <li>• Anxiety (elective)</li> </ul>	<b>Respectful relationships in the post-schooling transition</b>

## 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): • Investigation — action research	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Investigation- analytical exposition	30%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Examination- extended response	20%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination	25%

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# Certificate II in Sport and Recreation (SIS20115)

## VET Certificate

VET

The Certificate II in Sport and Recreation results in a nationally recognised qualification. This course contains a minimum of 13 units covering a range of areas including working in mainly routine and repetitive tasks using practical skills and basic sport and recreation industry knowledge.



Please note, this course is offered through an external provider “fiteducation”. **There are costs involved when enrolling in this course.**

## Pathways

This course will provide pathways in sport and recreation sector or the basis for a possible career as a recreation officer, community activities assistant, customer service assistant, leisure assistant, recreation assistant, retail assistant, grounds assistant, facility assistant.

Core Units of Competency			
BSBWOR202	Organise and complete daily work activities	SISXCCS001	Provide quality service
HLTAID011	Provide first aid	SISXEMR001	Respond to emergency situations
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety	SISXIND001	Work effectively in sport, fitness and recreation environments
SISXCAI002	Assist with activity sessions	SISXIND002	Maintain sport, fitness and recreation industry knowledge

Elective Units of Competency			
SISSCO202	Coach beginner or novice participants to develop fundamental motor skills	SISXFAC001	Maintain equipment for activities
SISXCAI001	Provide equipment for activities	SISXFAC002	Maintain sport, fitness and recreation facilities
SISSPT201A	Implement sports injury prevention		

## Assessment

Assessment is competency based. Competencies are assessed at industry standard by gaining evidence to show the student has successfully fulfilled all the requirements in the Performance Criteria for this qualification. Evidence is gathered using a variety of methods which include: Observation, Portfolio, individual and group projects, Role plays and written and oral questioning, short answer questions and quizzes.

## Entry Requirements

Students should have an interest in sport and recreation, such as coaching sporting teams and assisting with the conduct of recreation activities. This course requires students to demonstrate competency in performing basic water rescues in the pool. If you do not intend to swim, do not enrol in this course.

## Fees

\$250 per year payable in Term One if VETiS funding is available.

If students have already used VETiS funding for previous certificate courses provided by external organisations and TAFE, they will be expected to pay the full price of the course which is \$500 per year. (Price can vary from year to year.)

## Other Significant Requirements

Students will need a certain level of physical fitness and be able to demonstrate competency in water rescues to complete this course. ***Students are strongly encouraged to have a BYO device to use for the duration of this course as well as internet access to complete some units of competency.*** In order to gain competency in this unit students may need to complete work activities outside of school hours in coaching and first aid roles, organising sport and recreation activities and working in recreational environments.

## Service Agreement

This is a one year course. The RTO guarantees that the student will be provided with every opportunity to complete the certificate as per the rights and obligations outlined in the enrolment process and information handbooks provided, Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with a Qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

*SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation – Training provided by fiteducation Personal Training Courses as a Registered Training Provider. Provider Number: 32155*

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# Certificate III in Fitness (SIS30321)

## VET Certificate

VET

The Certificate III in Fitness results in a nationally recognised qualification. This course contains a minimum of 16 units covering a range of areas including working within a defined range of exercise activities and events.

Please note: this course is offered through an external provider “fiteducation”. **There are costs involved when enrolling in this course.**



## Pathways

This course will provide a pathway in community activities sector or the basis for possible careers as an exercise instructor or fitness administrator, as well as a recreation officer, outdoor adventure leader, tour guide, sports coach or resort activities leader.

Core Units of Competency			
SISFFIT001	Provide health screening and fitness orientation	SISFFIT014	Instruct exercise to older clients
SISFFIT002	Recognise and apply exercise considerations for specific populations	SISXCCS001	Provide quality service
SISFFIT003	Instruct fitness programs	SISXFAC001	Maintain equipment for activities
SISFFIT004	Incorporate anatomy and physiology principles into fitness programming	SISXIND001	Work effectively in sport, fitness and recreation environments
SISFFIT005	Provide healthy eating information		

Elective Units of Competency			
BSBRK401	Identify risk and apply risk management processes	SISFFIT007	Instruct group exercise sessions
HLTAID011	Provide first aid	SISFFIT011	Instruct approved community fitness programs
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety	SISSTC301A	Instruct strength and conditioning techniques
SISFFIT006	Conduct fitness appraisals		

## Assessment

Assessment in this course is competency based. Students will be assessed for both knowledge and skills using a variety of methods including exams, teacher observations, journals and written responses.

## Entry Requirements

The pre-requisite for this course is that students have completed SIS20115 the previous year through the external provider ***“fiteducation”***.

Students who have not completed this course will need to be enrolled in SIS20115.

Students should have an interest in Community and Recreational Activities, such as coaching sporting teams and assisting with the conduct of recreational activities. This course requires students to demonstrate competency in performing basic water rescues in the school pool.

## Fees

\$250 per year payable in Term One if VETiS funding is available.

If students have already used VETiS funding for previous certificate courses provided by external organisations and TAFE, they will be expected to pay the full price of the course which is \$500 per year. (Price can vary from year to year.)

## Other Significant Requirements

Students will need a certain level of physical fitness and be able to demonstrate competency as a gym instructor to complete this course. ***Students are strongly encouraged to have a BYO device to use for the duration of this course as well as internet access to complete some modules.*** In order to gain competency in this unit students may need to complete work activities outside of school hours in coaching and first aid roles, organising sport and recreation activities and working in recreational environments.

## Service Agreement

This is a one-year extension course. The RTO guarantees that the student will be provided with every opportunity to complete the certificate as per the rights and obligations outlined in the enrolment process and information handbooks provided. Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with a Qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

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# Agricultural Science

## General senior subject

General

Agricultural Science is an interdisciplinary science subject suited to students who are interested in the application of science in a real-world context. They understand the importance of using science to predict possible effects of human and other activity, and to develop management plans or alternative technologies that minimise these effects and provide for a more sustainable future.

Students examine the plant and animal science required to understand agricultural systems, their interactions and their components. They examine resources and their use and management in agricultural enterprises, the implications of using and consuming these resources, and associated management approaches. Students investigate how agricultural production systems are managed through an understanding of plant and animal physiology, and how they can be manipulated to ensure productivity and sustainability. They consider how environmental, social and financial factors can be used to evaluate production systems, and how research and innovation can be used and managed to improve food and fibre production.

Students learn and apply aspects of the knowledge and skill 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 Agricultural Science can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of agriculture, horticulture, agronomy, ecology, food technology, aquaculture, veterinary science, equine science, environmental science, natural resource management, wildlife, conservation and ecotourism, biotechnology, business, marketing, education and literacy, research and development.

### 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
<b>Agricultural systems</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural enterprises A</li> <li>• Animal production A</li> <li>• Plant production A</li> </ul>	<b>Resources</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Management of renewable resources</li> <li>• Physical resource management</li> <li>• Agricultural management, research and innovation</li> </ul>	<b>Agricultural production</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animal production B</li> <li>• Plant production B</li> <li>• Agricultural enterprises B</li> </ul>	<b>Agricultural management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enterprise management</li> <li>• Evaluation of an agricultural enterprise's sustainability</li> </ul>

## 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			

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# Certificate II in Rural Operations (AHC21216)

## VET Certificate

VET



Students who successfully complete this course of study will attain a Certificate II in Rural Operations. Students have the opportunity to obtain general skills that have application in a wide range of rural and general business enterprises. In order to attain the Certificate II in Rural Operations, students must complete 15 Units of Competency.

The Units of Competency that are offered include:

Core Units of Competency			
AHCWHS201	Participate in work health and safety processes	AHCWRK209	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices
AHCWRK204	Work effectively in the industry		

Elective Units of Competency			
AHCCHM201	Apply chemicals under supervision	AHCLSK211	Provide feed for livestock
AHCINF201	Carry out basic electric fencing operations	AHCMOM202	Operate tractors
AHCINF202	Install, maintain and repair farm fencing	AHCMOM304	Operate machinery and equipment
AHCINF203	Maintain properties and structures	AHCPHT203	Support horticultural crop harvesting
AHCLSK202	Care for health and welfare of livestock	AHCPHT306	Establish horticultural crops
AHCLSK205	Handle livestock using basic techniques	AHCWRK205	Participate in workplace communications

Assessment		
Observations	Projects	Practical demonstration of skills

Students may use time outside of school hours to help attain certain competencies providing this experience can be documented to the required standard.

Examples where this might occur include:

- weekend cattle handling schools,
- weekend schools for vet techniques for cattle.

## Entry Requirements

Completion of Year 10 Agriculture is highly desirable when enrolling in the Certificate II in Rural Operations.

## Fees

There are no material costs for this qualification.

## Other Significant Requirements

As the majority of the work for students is outside of the classroom, they should be prepared to work under a range of conditions on the school farm. Many jobs are dirty, for example: mechanical work, construction jobs, animal handling and mucking out animal pens. It would be advantageous to bring some work clothes and boots (Safety shoes are required when students are working with certain equipment) as well as a broad brimmed hat for many of the work situations in the field. Some students elect to bring a small padlock and leave their work clothes in the lockers at the Agricultural Education Centre.

## Service Agreement

This is a two year course. The RTO guarantees that the student will be provided with every opportunity to complete the certificate as per the rights and obligations outlined in the enrolment process and information handbooks provided. Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with a Qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

*AHC21216 Certificate II in Rural Operations – Training provided by Hervey Bay State High School as a Registered Training Provider. Provider Number: 30299*

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# Biology

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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			

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# Chemistry

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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			

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# Physics

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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): • 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			

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# Certificate II in Sampling and Measurement (MSL20118)

## VET Certificate

VET

The Certificate II in Sampling and Measurement covers the skills and knowledge required to perform a range of sampling and measurement activities as part of laboratory, production or field operations in the construction, manufacturing, resources and environmental industry sectors.



Core Units of Competency			
MSL912001	Work within a laboratory or field workplace (induction)	MSL943004	Participate in laboratory or field workplace safety
MSL922001	Record and present data	MSMENV272	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices

Elective Units of Competency			
MSL952001	Collect routine site samples	MSL913003	Communicate with other people
MSL972001	Conduct routine site measurements	MSL913004	Plan and conduct laboratory/field work

Assessment		
Teacher observations	Folio of tasks	Projects

### Entry Requirements

There are no specific entry requirements.

### Fees

There are no material costs for this qualification.

### Other Significant Requirements

Students will need to follow appropriate safety protocols in a laboratory and/or for field work.

### Service Agreement

This is a two year course. The RTO guarantees that the student will be provided with every opportunity to complete the certificate as per the rights and obligations outlined in the enrolment process and information handbooks provided. Students successfully achieving all qualification requirements will be provided with a Qualification and record of results. Students who achieve at least one unit (but not the full qualification) will receive a Statement of Attainment.

MSL20118 *Certificate II in Sampling and Measurement* – Training provided by Hervey Bay State High School as a Registered Training Provider. Provider Number: 30299

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# Marine Science

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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): • 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			

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# Aquatic Practices

## Applied senior subject

Applied

Aquatic Practices provides opportunities for students to explore, experience and learn practical skills and knowledge valued in aquatic workplaces and other settings.

Students gain insight into the management of aquatic regions and their ecological and environmental systems, helping them to position themselves within a long and sustainable tradition of custodianship.

Students have opportunities to learn in, through and about aquatic workplaces, events and other related activities. Additional learning links to an understanding of the employment, study and recreational opportunities associated with communities who visit, live or work on and around our waterways.

### 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 concepts and ideas in aquatic contexts
- explain concepts and ideas in aquatic contexts
- demonstrate skills in aquatic contexts
- analyse information, situations and relationships in aquatic contexts
- apply knowledge, understanding and skills in aquatic contexts
- use language conventions and features appropriate to aquatic contexts to communicate ideas and information, according to purpose
- generate plans and procedures for activities in aquatic contexts
- evaluate the safety and effectiveness of activities in aquatic contexts
- make recommendations for activities in aquatic contexts.

## Structure

The Aquatic Practices course is designed around:

- the four areas of study with the core topics for ‘Safety and management practices’ embedded in each of the four areas of study
- schools determine whether to include elective topics in a course of study.

Areas of study	Core topics	Elective topics
Environmental	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental conditions</li> <li>• Ecosystems</li> <li>• Conservation and sustainability</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Citizen science</li> </ul>
Recreational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Entering the aquatic environment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aquatic activities</li> </ul>
Commercial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aquaculture, aquaponics and aquariums</li> <li>• Boat building and marine engineering</li> </ul>
Cultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural understandings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Historical understandings</li> </ul>
Safety and management practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legislation, rules and regulations for aquatic environments</li> <li>• Equipment maintenance and operations</li> <li>• First aid and safety</li> <li>• Management practices</li> </ul>	—

## Assessment

For Aquatic Practices, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student’s exit result, and consists of four instruments, including no more than two assessment instruments from any one technique.

Project	Investigation	Extended response	Examination	Performance
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students’ own knowledge and the data they have been given.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.	A response that answers a number of provided questions, scenarios and/or problems.	A technique that assesses physical demonstrations as outcomes of applying a range of cognitive, technical and physical skills.

Project	Investigation	Extended response	Examination	Performance
<p>At least two different components from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>written: 500–900 words</li> <li>spoken: 2½–3½ minutes</li> <li>multimodal: 3–6 minutes</li> <li>performance: continuous class time</li> <li>product: continuous class time.</li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>multimodal: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>multimodal: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>60–90 minutes</li> <li>50–250 words per item</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>performance: continuous class time to develop and practice the performance.</li> </ul>

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# Chinese

## General senior subject

General

Chinese provides students with the opportunity to reflect on their understanding of the Chinese 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 Chinese-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 Chinese 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 Chinese 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 Chinese 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 Chinese.

### Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
我的世界 <b>My world</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family/carers and friends</li> <li>• Lifestyle and leisure</li> <li>• Education</li> </ul>	探索世界 <b>Exploring our world</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel</li> <li>• Technology and media</li> <li>• The contribution of Chinese culture to the world</li> </ul>	社会现象 <b>Our society</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Roles and relationships</li> <li>• Socialising and connecting with my peers</li> <li>• Individuals in society</li> </ul>	我的未来 <b>My future</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finishing secondary school, plans and reflections</li> <li>• Responsibilities and moving on</li> </ul>

## 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 — short response	15%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Extended response	30%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Examination — combination response	30%	Summative external assessment (EA): • Examination — combination response	25%

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# Drama

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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):	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3):	35%
• Performance		• Project — practice-led project	
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2):	20%		
• Project — dramatic concept			
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination — extended response</li> </ul>			

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# Music

## General senior subject

General

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 of arts administration, communication, education, creative industries, public relations and science and technology.

## 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
<p><b>Designs</b></p> <p>Through inquiry learning, the following is explored:</p> <p>How does the treatment and combination of different music elements enable musicians to design music that communicates meaning through performance and composition?</p>	<p><b>Identities</b></p> <p>Through inquiry learning, the following is explored:</p> <p>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?</p>	<p><b>Innovations</b></p> <p>Through inquiry learning, the following is explored:</p> <p>How do musicians incorporate innovative music practices to communicate meaning when performing and composing?</p>	<p><b>Narratives</b></p> <p>Through inquiry learning, the following is explored:</p> <p>How do musicians manipulate music elements to communicate narrative when performing, composing and responding to music?</p>

## Assessment

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

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# Visual Art

## General senior subject

General

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

## 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):	15%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3):	35%
• Investigation — inquiry phase 1		• Project — inquiry phase 3	
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2):	25%		
• Project — inquiry phase 2			
Summative external assessment (EA): 25% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examination</li> </ul>			

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# Visual Arts in Practice

## Applied senior subject

Applied

Visual Arts in Practice focuses on students engaging in art-making processes and making virtual or physical visual artworks. Visual artworks are created for a purpose and in response to individual, group or community needs. Students explore and apply the materials, technologies and techniques used in art-making. They use information about design elements and principles to influence their own aesthetic and guide how they view others' works. They also investigate information about artists, art movements and theories, and use the lens of a context to examine influences on art-making.

Students reflect on both their own and others' art-making processes. They integrate skills to create artworks and evaluate aesthetic choices. Students decide on the best way to convey meaning through communications and artworks. They learn and apply safe visual art practices.

### Pathways

A course of study in Visual Arts in Practice can establish a basis for further education and employment in a range of fields, including design, styling, decorating, illustrating, drafting, visual merchandising, make-up artistry, advertising, game design, photography, animation or ceramics.

### Objectives

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

- recall terminology and explain art-making processes
- interpret information about concepts and ideas for a purpose
- demonstrate art-making processes required for visual artworks
- apply art-making processes, concepts and ideas
- analyse visual art-making processes for particular purposes
- use language conventions and features to achieve particular purposes
- generate plans and ideas and make decisions
- create communications that convey meaning to audiences
- evaluate art-making processes, concepts and ideas.

### Structure

The Visual Arts in Practice course is designed around core and elective topics.

Core	Electives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visual mediums, technologies, techniques</li> <li>• Visual literacies and contexts</li> <li>• Artwork realisation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2D</li> <li>• 3D</li> <li>• Digital and 4D</li> <li>• Design</li> <li>• Craft</li> </ul>

## Assessment

For Visual Arts in Practice, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student's exit result, and consists of four instruments, including:

- at least two projects, with at least one project arising from community connections
- at least one product (composition), separate to an assessable component of a project.

Project	Product	Extended response	Investigation
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario.	A technique that assesses the application of identified skills to the production of artworks.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students' own knowledge and the data they have been given.
<p>A project consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a product component: variable conditions</li> <li>• at least one different component from the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– written: 500–900 words</li> <li>– spoken: 2½–3½ minutes</li> <li>– multimodal</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ non-presentation: 8 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>▪ presentation: 3–6 minutes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• variable conditions</li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-presentation: 10 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-presentation: 10 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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# Dance in Practice

## Applied senior subject

Applied

Dance in Practice focuses on experiencing and understanding the role of dance in and across communities and, where possible, interacting with practising performers, choreographers and designers.

Students create, perform and produce dance works in class, school and community contexts, and use their senses as a means of understanding and responding to their own and others' dance works. This fosters creativity, helps students develop problem-solving skills, and heightens their imaginative, emotional, aesthetic, analytical and reflective experiences.

Students explore and apply techniques, processes and technologies individually and in groups to express dance ideas that serve particular purposes. Students explore safe dance practices for themselves and groups. They gain practical and technical skills, employ terminology specific to dance, investigate ways to solve problems, and make choices to communicate through dance and about dance.

### Pathways

A course of study in Dance in Practice can establish a basis for further education and employment in dance education, dance teaching, choreography, performance and event production.

### Objectives

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

- recall terminology, concepts and ideas associated with dance
- interpret and demonstrate the technical and expressive skills required for dance genres
- explain dance and dance works
- apply dance concepts and ideas through performance and production of dance works
- analyse dance concepts and ideas for particular purposes, genres, styles and contexts
- use language conventions and features to achieve particular purposes
- generate, plan and modify creative processes to produce dance works
- create communications and make decisions to convey meaning to audiences
- evaluate dance works.

### Structure

The Dance in Practice course is designed around core and elective topics. Students explore at least two dance genres across Units 1 and 2 and again in Units 3 and 4, and three genres across the four units.

Core	Electives
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dance performance</li> <li>• Dance production</li> <li>• Dance literacies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ballet</li> <li>• Contemporary</li> <li>• Jazz</li> <li>• Tap</li> <li>• Ballroom</li> <li>• Popular dance</li> <li>• World dance</li> </ul>

## Assessment

For Dance in Practice, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student's exit result, and consists of four instruments, including:

- at least one project, arising from community connections
- at least one performance, separate to an assessable component of a project.

Project	Performance	Product	Extended response	Investigation
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario.	A technique that assesses the physical demonstration of identified skills.	A technique that assesses the production of a design solution and folio or choreographic work.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students' own knowledge and the data they have been given.
<p>The Project in Dance in Practice requires:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a dance performance: 1½ – 2 minutes</li> <li>• at least one other component from the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– written: 500–900 words</li> <li>– spoken: 2½–3½ minutes</li> <li>– multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ non-presentation: 8 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>▪ presentation: 3–6 minutes</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• product: variable conditions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dance performance: 2–3 minutes</li> <li>• Production performance: variable conditions</li> <li>• Teaching performance: variable conditions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design solution and folio: variable conditions</li> <li>• Choreographic work: 2–3 minutes</li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-presentation: 10 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Presented in one of the following modes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• written: 600–1000 words</li> <li>• spoken: 3–4 minutes</li> <li>• multimodal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– non-presentation: 10 A4 pages max (or equivalent)</li> <li>– presentation: 4–7 minutes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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# Literacy

## Short Course

## Short Course

Literacy is a one-unit course of study, developed to meet a specific curriculum need. It is informed by the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) Level 3. Literacy is integral to a person's ability to function effectively in society. It involves the integration of speaking, listening and critical thinking with reading and writing. Students learn strategies to develop and monitor their own learning, select and apply reading and oral strategies to comprehend and make meaning in texts, demonstrate the relationships between ideas and information in texts, evaluate and communicate ideas and information, and learn and use textual features and conventions.

Students identify and develop a set of knowledge, skills and strategies needed to shape language according to purpose, audience and context. They select and apply strategies to comprehend and make meaning in a range of texts and text types, and communicate ideas and information in a variety of modes. Students understand and use textual features and conventions, and demonstrate the relationship between ideas and information in written, oral, visual and multimodal texts.

### Pathways

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

### Objectives

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

- evaluate and integrate information and ideas to construct meaning from texts and text types
- select and apply reading strategies that are appropriate to purpose and text type
- communicate relationships between ideas and information in a style appropriate to audience and purpose
- select vocabulary, grammatical structures and conventions that are appropriate to the text
- select and use appropriate strategies to establish and maintain spoken communication
- derive meaning from a range of oral texts
- plan, implement and adjust processes to achieve learning outcomes
- apply learning strategies.

### Structure and assessment

Schools develop *two* assessment instruments to determine the student's exit result.

Topic 1: Personal identity and education	Topic 2: The work environment
One assessment consisting of two parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an extended response — written (Internal assessment 1A)</li> <li>• a student learning journal (Internal assessment 1B).</li> </ul>	One assessment consisting of two parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an extended response — short response (Internal assessment 2A)</li> <li>• a reading comprehension task (Internal assessment 2B).</li> </ul>

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# Career Education

## Short Course

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Career Education is a one-unit course, developed to meet a specific curriculum need. It is informed by the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) Level 3. It focuses on the development of knowledge, processes, skills, attributes and attitudes that will assist students to make informed decisions about their options and enable effective participation in their future study, working life and career. Career Education can also assist schools in the development of the Senior Education and Training (SET) Plans for students.

Students explore career development and management strategies that help them plan for and shape their future, providing them with essential knowledge, understanding and skills for participation in a rapidly changing world of work. They come to understand what they need to adapt to multiple transitions in work, career and life, and use opportunities to transfer their developing abilities to a range of work-related and career contexts and activities. As students consider their future directions and prepare to make successful transitions to work, career and further education and/or training, they explore career options that incorporate their interests and skills, set personal goals and implement initial stages of career plans.

## Pathways

A course of study in Career Education may establish a basis for further education, training and/or employment in a range of fields. Students learn within a practical context related to general employment and successful participation in society.

## Objectives

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

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of self, work practices and career development processes
- select, analyse and apply information related to work and career development
- use oral and written language to communicate information
- plan, implement and adjust processes to achieve learning outcomes
- apply learning.

## Structure and assessment

Schools develop *two* assessment instruments to determine the student's exit result.

Topic 1: My current skills and attributes	Topic 2: My options for the future
One assessment consisting of two parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a spoken/signed presentation — workplace interview or survey (Internal assessment 1A)</li> <li>• a student learning journal (Internal assessment 1B).</li> </ul>	One assessment consisting of two parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an extended written response — a career investigation (Internal assessment 2A)</li> <li>• a student learning journal (Internal assessment 2B).</li> </ul>

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Numeracy is a one-unit course of study, developed to meet a specific curriculum need. It is informed by the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) Level 3. Numeracy is integral to a person's ability to function effectively in society. Students learn strategies to develop and monitor their own learning, identify and communicate mathematical information in a range of texts and real-life contexts, use mathematical processes and strategies to solve problems, and reflect on outcomes and the appropriateness of the mathematics used.

Students identify, locate, act upon, interpret and communicate mathematical ideas and information. They represent these ideas and information in a number of ways, and draw meaning from them for everyday life and work activities. Students use oral and written mathematical language and representation to convey information and the results of problem-solving activities.

### Pathways

A course of study in Numeracy may establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of trade, industry, business and community services. Students will 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 and interpret mathematical information
- select from and use a variety of developing mathematical and problem-solving strategies
- use oral and written mathematical language and representation to communicate mathematically
- plan, implement and adjust processes to achieve learning outcomes
- apply learning strategies.

### Structure and assessment

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Topic 1: Personal identity and education	Topic 2: The work environment
One assessment consisting of two parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an extended response — oral mathematical presentation (Internal assessment 1A)</li> <li>• a student learning journal (Internal assessment 1B).</li> </ul>	One assessment consisting of two parts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an examination — short response (Internal assessment 2A)</li> <li>• a student learning journal (Internal assessment 2B).</li> </ul>

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# NOTES

