

Senior School (Years 10-12)

# CURRICULUM GUIDE 2026





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### A Message from the Principal

Welcome to the CBC Curriculum Guide.

At CBC, we value each boy, and we want him to have an academic pathway built around his individual needs, abilities, and interests. His curriculum choices must support his growth and development, allow him to pursue his areas of interest, and prepare him for the opportunities that will come when he completes the senior phase of schooling. In selecting choices for subjects, it is important to take advantage of all the available resources, including this booklet, online resources, and our staff.

Choosing subjects involves discernment and honesty. As our boys move into Years 11 and 12, they must determine if the work they have already completed will enable them to succeed in the subjects chosen. There are two messages here: Ensure every boy pays attention to the basic habits required to establish the foundation of success in the later years of schooling; attendance, punctuality, work completion, application, and arriving to class prepared to learn. Secondly, be aware of the prerequisites necessary to study certain subjects, particularly in Years 11 and 12. Meeting these prerequisites are required to continue studying that subject, meaning all the more reason to focus entirely on your Year 10 and 11 studies in particular.

We believe that the development of inquiring minds demands an environment of wise freedom, opportunity, and discipline, established and sustained by a commitment to thoughtful participation in a rigorous and varied educational program. We want all CBC boys to nurture their skills and talents and develop a respect for hard work and a love of learning that will endure for a lifetime.

Our staff will work closely with your son to encourage him to strive for excellence, find challenges for growth and development, and support him to make the most of every opportunity.

We look forward to sharing the learning journey with you and your son and supporting all our students to be the best they can be.







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# From the Deputy Principal / Head of Senior Campus

Welcome to the 2026 Curriculum Handbook at Christian Brothers College (CBC). This booklet has been designed to provide you with a complete overview of the curriculum offerings from the Junior, Middle and Senior Schools. Due to its strong enrolments, CBC can continue to offer a broad and diverse curriculum to provide for the needs of all its students. Our curriculum offerings in the Early Years are based on the Reggio Emilia principles and followed by the Australian Curriculum in Junior and Middle School, and in the Senior School, the local South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) incorporating a wide range of Vocational Education certificate courses.

A section of this handbook is dedicated to Flexible Learning which incorporates Vocational Education & Training (VET) and community learning opportunities. Apprenticeships, traineeships and trades form an important and essential part of our economies work skills force. Please see the VET Coordinator if you require further information on this.

An important aspect to our curriculum has been the introduction of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) initiatives and projects. We have been pleased to collaborate with Catholic Education South Australia and the University of South Australia to provide dynamic and innovative STEAM projects and initiatives.

We know that in a rapidly changing society, 21st Century learners need to be confident with technology, global in their thinking, problems solvers, work collaboratively and ready to adapt to any situation. These are reflected in the Australian Curriculum and SACE capabilities embedded throughout the curriculum which include:

- Literacy and Numeracy
- Information and communications technology
- Critical and creative thinking
- Personal and social
- Ethical understanding
- Intercultural understanding.

CBC's ongoing work with the cross-curricular priorities are highlighted for example with strong partnerships in China and immersion programs to the Philippines and Vietnam. Clear opportunities are provided to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures through the curriculum and support for individual students.

The role the CBC architecture plays in learning spaces can also be designed to accommodate boys, which involve, light, bright and spacious, technologically enriched with breakout spaces and furniture, which promote both collaborative and individual learning. We are eagerly awaiting the opening of our exciting new three storey

Centre of Innovation and Learning comprising Music, the Arts and Science, along with multipurpose flexible classrooms. This building will also provide exciting new learning spaces for our senior students.

We know that the safety and wellbeing of your child is your highest priority. The Keeping Safe Child Protection Curriculum provides the framework to teach children and young people from age 3 to Year 12, in an age appropriate way, to recognise abuse, talk to trusted adults and understand ways to keep themselves safe. The curriculum is embedded through areas such as Health and Physical Education and Religious Education, along with pastoral care initiatives that focus on building resilience in children and young people.

To help students and their families with their subject selection we will:

- Hold subject information sessions for students,
- Provide information evenings for parents and students to carefully help our secondary students select the most appropriate areas of study that relate to their areas of interest and proposed career pathways,
- Allow students to enter their subject preferences with the Edval online facility.
- Provide each student and their family an opportunity to meet with a course counsellor to help them map out their course pathway,
- Allow your son to check his subjects with his Tutor and seek any advice from current subject teachers, SACE Coordinator, VET Coordinator or Curriculum leaders.

It is important that SACE students are aware of:

- Their subject interests and how these will lead to a further studies and/or a career pathway,
- The SACE requirements and associated patterns with the compulsory requirements (Numeracy, Literacy, Exploring Identities and Futures, and Research Project, 200 credit points),
- SATAC information in relation to courses beyond Year 12,
- Tertiary scores and tafeSA requirements in terms of future courses.

This handbook also provides students with our policy on co-curricular opportunities and the many sports and activities on offer throughout the school year. It is important for boys to engage in activities and sporting pursuits beyond the classroom which promote a healthy, active and team orientated lifestyle. Each year we review our offerings to ensure we are meeting the expectations of our students.



### The Australian Curriculum Framework

The rationale for the Australian Curriculum centres on improving the quality, equity and transparency of Australia's education system. The Australian curriculum sets the expectations for what all Australians should be taught, regardless of where they live or their background. For F-10, it means that students now have access to the same content, and their achievement can be judges against consistent national standards.

The Australian Curriculum for each subject specifies **content** and **achievement standards**. The content describes the knowledge, understanding and skills that are to be taught and learned within a given subject.

The **achievement standards** describe the quality of learning (the depth of understanding, extent of knowledge and sophistication of skill) expected of students who have studied the content for the subject.

ACARA has developed **Foundation - Year 10** Australian Curriculum in the following:

- English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities, The Arts, Technologies and Health and Physical Education.
- Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Modern Greek, Spanish and Vietnamese.\*
- Work Studies Years 9–10 (an optional subject designed to ready young people for work).

ACARA is continuing to develop F-10 curriculum for AUSLAN and classical languages.

\* At Christian Brothers College, the languages offered are Italian and Chinese.

The Middle School (Years 7–9) subjects of English, Geography, History, Mathematics and Science are utilising the new Australian Curriculum as the framework for planning the learning program.

Subjects at Year 11 and 12 are developed in line with the Curriculum Outlines provided by the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) Board. English, Mathematics, Science and History subjects are now in line with ACARA senior secondary subjects. Specific Learning and Assessment Plans are written by teachers for each subject and approved by the SACE Board. A number of subjects across Stage 1 and Stage 2 are moderated by the SACE Board in order to ensure consistency of standards across the state.

A major focus at Christian Brothers College will be the implementation of STEAM subjects – Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics. You can read more about these under the Science section.

### **Cross Curricular Priorities**

#### Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia

Christian Brothers College works collaboratively with local, national and international partners and organisations, to develop our community's knowledge, skills and understandings of Asia's culturally and linguistically diverse environments.

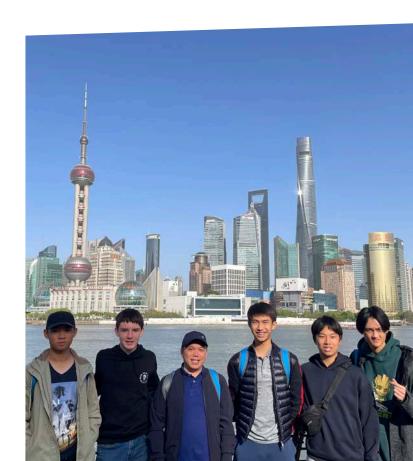
Through the curriculum and visits / exchanges to Asian countries, particularly China, Vietnam and the Philippines, we aim to develop an appreciation of Australia's Asian heritage through economic, social and cultural perspectives.

### Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures

This cross curricular priority is highlighted through many curriculum areas particularly in Human and Social Sciences. Our college recognises the traditional owners and custodial traditions of the Kaurna people. We recognise significant events throughout the school year with assemblies and ceremonies.

#### Sustainability

This cross curricular priority is highlighted through many curriculum areas particularly in Human and Social Sciences. As a college we are fully aware of our global responsibilities to ensure our environment is sustained and improved for future generations. We are conscious of the Holy Father's encyclical *Laudato Si* on the environment and human ecology as well as CESA's *On Holy Ground – An Ecological Vision for Catholic Education*.



### **General Capabilities**

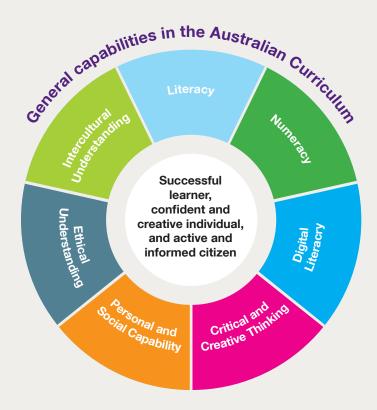
(From ACARA)

The general capabilities play a significant role in the Australian Curriculum in equipping young Australians to live and work successfully in the 21st Century.

In the Australian Curriculum, capability encompasses knowledge, skills, behaviours and dispositions. Students develop capability when they apply knowledge and skills confidently, effectively and appropriately in complex and changing circumstances, in their learning at school and in their lives outside school.

The Australian Curriculum includes seven general capabilities, as shown in the accompanying figure.

Through its subjects, CBC fosters the development of a common set of capabilities to ensure that all students, whatever their learning pathways, are able to develop and demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and understandings for success in the SACE and beyond.



### The following seven general capabilities underpin the SACE

### Literacy

You will extend your literacy capability by, for example, choosing and using language, engaging with a variety of texts, and communicating with a range of people in differen situations.

### Numeracy

You will extend your numeracy capability by, for example, interpreting information in diagrams, maps, graphs, and tables

### **Digital Literacy**

You will further extend this capability by using current and emerging technologies and understanding their impact on society and the workplace.

### Critical and Creative Thinking

Identifying and exploring different topics, posing and investigating questions, and organising information are some of the skills you will use to improve your critical and creative thinking capability.

### Personal and Social Capability

Developing confidence, self-discipline, independence, resilience, initiative, and adaptability while working in teams and dealing with challenging situations in a constructive way are some of the skills to be developed through the personal and social capability.

### Ethical Understanding

Through this capability you will gain a deeper understanding of how ethical issues are managed successfully.

### Intercultural Understanding

Learning about and developing respect for other people's social and cultural backgrounds, to work and live together, is a key aspect of intercultural understanding. You will also explore global citizenship, and learn about the social, cultural, linguistic, and religious diversity of a nation.

Please note: These seven capabilities are gradually replacing the five SACE capabilities of communication, citizenship, personal development, work, and learning.

This means that some subjects still have five capabilities, while others already include the seven general capabilities. Both sets of capabilities are similar. What's important is that they help to build skills that are useful now and for the future.

In the Australian Curriculum, the general capabilities are addressed through the content of the learning areas. General capabilities are identified where they are developed or applied in the content descriptions. They are also identified where they offer opportunities to add depth and richness to student learning via the content elaborations, which are provided to give teachers ideas about how they might teach the content. Icons are used to indicate where general capabilities have been identified in learning area content descriptions and elaborations.

Teachers teach and assess general capabilities to the extent that they are incorporated within learning area content.

### Assessment and Reporting

For Reception to Year 10, Subject Achievement levels in each KLA (subject) are shown as Grades (A-E) in the report. The grade indicates the extent to which the student has achieved the subject learning outcomes.

The student's approach to learning in each subject is shown term reports. This includes application, homework, behaviour, organisation and punctuality. Teachers have also provided feedback on learning indicators specific to each subject and learning area.

As a tool for interpretation for parents and students, the following table shows the connection between the grade and the description provided for each grade band (Reception – Year 10).

Grade	15-Point Scale	Descriptor	
Α	14	A student has demonstrated excellent achievement of what is expected.	
В	11	A student has demonstrated high achievement of what is expected.	
С	8	A student has demonstrated satisfactory achievement of what is expected.	
D	5	A student has demonstrated partial achievement of what is expected.	
E	2	A student has demonstrated limited achievement of what is expected.	

All subjects from Years 7–11 were assessed on a 15-point scale. For example, an 'A+' is 15, an 'A' is 14 and a 'B+' is considered 12 points.

## Reference Table for Key Learning Areas and Strands

Key Learning Area	Strand
Religious Studies	<ul><li>Celebrating</li><li>Living</li><li>Believing</li><li>Praying</li></ul>
Arts	<ul><li>Exploring and Responding</li><li>Developing Practices and Skills</li><li>Creating and Making</li><li>Presenting and Performing</li></ul>
Design and Technology	<ul><li>Critiquing</li><li>Designing</li><li>Making</li></ul>
English	<ul><li>Language</li><li>Literature</li><li>Literacy</li></ul>
Health and Physical Education	<ul><li>Personal, Social and Community Health</li><li>Movement and Physical Activity</li></ul>
Humanities	<ul><li>Knowledge &amp; Understanding</li><li>Inquiry &amp; Skills</li></ul>
Languages	<ul><li>Communicating</li><li>Understanding</li></ul>
Mathematics	<ul><li>Number and Algebra</li><li>Measurement and Geometry</li><li>Statistics and Probability</li></ul>
Science	<ul><li>Science Understanding</li><li>Science as a Human Endeavour</li><li>Science Inquiry Skills</li></ul>

The curriculum has been designed to be accessible to as many students as possible. Christian Brothers College has arrangements in place as part of their curriculum, assessment and certification practices and policies to address the needs of all students.

# **Understanding the SACE Performance Standards**

- How does your teacher assess your work?
- How do they decide between award students an A and/or a B?

Students work in every subject needs to meet a certain standard to achieve a particular grade. These are known as 'Performance Standards'. Each Stage 1 and Stage 2 SACE subject has performance standards that describe five levels of achievement from A to E.

The standards describe how well students have demonstrated what they know, understand, and can do. They can also help students set goals for improvement.

Performance standards for each subject can be found in the 'Learning' section on the SACE website.

### **SACE Information**

(From the SACE Board - www.sace.sa.edu.au)

### What is the SACE?

The South Australian Certificate of Education is an internationally recognised qualification that paves the way for young people to move from school to work or further training and study.

The SACE has been designed to meet the needs of students, families, higher and further education providers, employers and the community. The SACE helps students develop the skills and knowledge they need to succeed – whether they are headed for further education, training, an apprenticeship, or straight into the workforce.

The certificate is based on two stages of achievement: Stage 1 (usually completed in Year 11) and Stage 2 (usually completed in Year 12). Students who successfully complete the requirements are awarded the SACE certificate.

### How do students get the SACE?

Students can gain their SACE in the equivalent of two years of full-time study; however, most students spread this over three years. There are two stages:

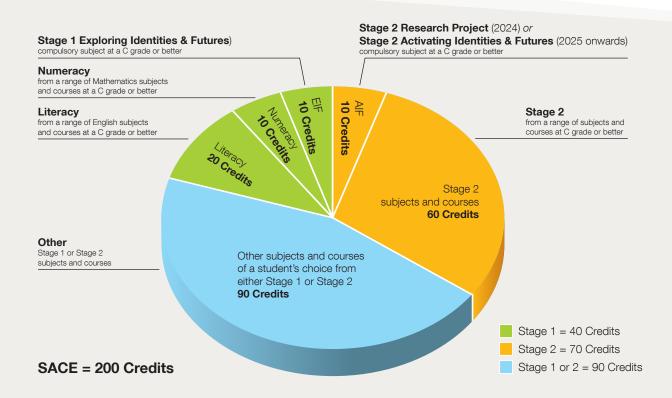
- Stage 1, which most students do in Year 11, apart from the Exploring Identifies and Futures subject, which most will do in Year 10.
- Stage 2, which most students do in Year 12.

Each subject or course successfully completed earns 'credits' towards the SACE, with a minimum of 200 credits required for students to gain the certificate. Students will receive a grade from A to E for each subject (A+ to E- at Stage 2). For compulsory subjects, they will need to achieve a C grade or better.

The compulsory subjects are:

- Exploring Identities and Futures (10 credits at Stage 1)
- Research Project (2024) or Activating Identities and Futures (10 credits at Stage 2) (2025 onwards)
- Literacy 20 credits from a range of English subjects or courses
- Numeracy 10 credits from a range of Mathematics subjects or courses
- Other Stage 2 subjects totalling at least 60 credits

The remaining 90 credits can be gained through additional Stage 1 or Stage 2 subjects or Board recognised courses of a student's choice.



### **SATAC Information**

SATAC (South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre) processes applications for courses offered by the following post-secondary institutions:

- Adelaide University
- Charles Darwin University
- Flinders University
- CQUniversity Australia (Adelaide campus)
- SAIBT
- Tabor
- TAFE SA
- Torrens University Australia

SATAC processes applications; assesses the academic and non-academic qualifications of applicants and ranks eligible applicants in merit order for each course according to the rules and guidelines provided by the above institutions.

SATAC generates offers based on the number of applicants required to fill each course, as set by the institutions, and act as a 'one-stop-shop' for enquiries about the outcomes of applications.

SATAC also administers the Special Tertiary Admissions Test (STAT) for applicants applying for undergraduate courses under a special entry program, and processes applications for selected equity scholarships at the University of South Australia.

The selection rules for courses are the responsibility of the institution offering each course. SATAC doesn't make decisions on how qualifications are assessed or how eligible applicants are ranked, nor decide on the relative merits of different types of qualifications.



### **Tertiary Entrance Booklet**

The Tertiary Entrance booklet provides information about tertiary entrance requirements for South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) and Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training (NTCET) students. It is designed to assist years 10, 11 and 12 students to make subject choices which will maximise their opportunities for tertiary study.

Each edition provides detailed course-by-course information for the coming year and highlights changes to entrance requirements planned for the following two years. It includes an explanation of the calculation of the university aggregate and Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).



### **SATAC Guide**

The SATAC Guide is published by SATAC on behalf of participating institutions. It contains information on entry requirements to undergraduate courses; how to make an application, and includes descriptions of all undergraduate courses offered through SATAC.



# Post-secondary Education Entrance Requirements

Selection into university courses is based on both eligibility and rank. Eligibility allows you to be considered for selection; rank determines whether you are competitive enough to be selected.

To be eligible for selection into a university course you must:

- Qualify for the SACE.
- Obtain an Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR).
- Meet any prerequisite subject requirements for the course.

### The university aggregate and the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)

- Your competitiveness in relation to other applicants for a given university course is based on your selection rank, which is made up of your ATAR plus any bonuses for which the university deems you eligible. The ATAR is a rank given to students on a range from 0 to 99.95 and is calculated from your university aggregate.
- To obtain a university aggregate and an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) you must:
- Qualify for the SACE/NTCET.
- Comply with the rules regarding precluded combinations.
- Comply with the rules regarding counting restrictions.
- Complete at least 90 credits of study in Tertiary Admissions Subjects (TAS) and Recognised Studies at Stage 2 in a maximum of three attempts which need not be in consecutive years.
- Of the 90 credits of study a minimum of 60 credits of study must be from 20 credit TAS.\*

(\* Normally 10 credit subjects do not count towards this requirement but some 10 credit subjects in the same area, when studied in pairs, can substitute for a 20 credit subject. These are called valid pairs. Such subjects are identified in the SATAC Tertiary Entrance Booklet)

#### **Precluded Combination**

 Two subjects are a precluded combination if they are defined by the universities and tafeSA as having significant overlap in content. They cannot both count towards your ATAR or tafeSA Selection Score.

#### Scaling

The mathematical process which provides a basis for comparing performance in different SACE Stage 2 subjects which have different objectives, content and assessment processes. The 'raw scores' are scaled to ensure they are comparable before they are totalled to produce the university aggregate. For further information about scaling, refer to the SATAC website: http://www.satac.edu.au/pages/scaling

### **Calculating the University Aggregate**

The university aggregate is calculated from scaled scores. These are the numeric measures of your performance in Tertiary Admissions Subjects (TAS) which are derived from your grades, and are reported to you out of 20.0 for 20 credit subjects and out of 10.0 for 10 credit subjects. Please note that if you do not attempt the publicly assessed component of a TAS (e.g. an examination or final recital), you will be given a scaled score of 0.0.

The university aggregate is calculated from your best scaled scores from three 20 credit TAS plus the best outcome from the flexible option, which is the best 30 credits of scaled scores or scaled score equivalents from:

- The scaled score of a 20 credit TAS.
- Half the scaled score of one or more 20 credit TAS.
- The scaled score of one or more 10 credit TAS.
- Scaled score equivalents for Recognised Studies to the value of 10 or the maximum of 20 credits.

Subject to precluded combination and counting restriction rules. Subjects with scaled scores of 0.0 can be used in the calculation of the university aggregate. The subjects used in the calculation can only come from a maximum of three attempts which need not be in consecutive years.

## How your university aggregate is calculated

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Three 20 credit scores

Your scaled scores from three 20 credit Tertiary Admissions Subjects (TAS) are used.

Normally, 10 credit subjects do not count towards this requirement but some 10 credit subjects in the same subject area, when studied in pairs, can substitute for a 20 credit subject. These are called valid pairs.



Your score for the flexible option is the best 30 credits of scaled scores or scaled score equivalents from:

- The scaled score of a 20 credit TAS
- Half the scaled score of one or more 20 credit TAS
- The scaled score of one or more 10 credit TAS
- Scaled score equivalents for Recognised Studies to the value of 10 or the maximum of 20 credits

Your university aggregate is the best possible score calculated from the above options, subject to counting restrictions and precluded combinations.

### Converting the university aggregate to an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)

The university aggregate is converted to an ATAR. The ATAR is an indicator of how well a particular student has performed relative to other students. It is important to remember that the ATAR is a rank, not a score, and that it cannot be calculated arithmetically from a university aggregate.

### Reporting the University Aggregate and ATAR

The university aggregate is reported to students on a score range of 0–90.0 with intervals of 0.1. The ATAR is reported to students on a percentile scale, i.e. on a range 0–99.95 with intervals of 0.05. The university aggregate and ATAR are reported only to students who qualify for the SACE.



#### **Prerequisites**

Some university courses/programs require students to have studied one or more specific Stage 2 subjects to a minimum standard in order to be eligible for selection into the course/ program. These subjects are known as prerequisites. In order to fulfil a prerequisite subject requirement, you must obtain a minimum grade of C- or better.

#### Assumed knowledge

Many university courses recommend that commencing students have background knowledge in one or more specified Stage 1 or Stage 2 subjects or have an identified skill which will enhance the student's understanding of the course content. Assumed knowledge is not compulsory and is not used in the selection process for entry to university courses.

#### **Adjustment Factors**

SATAC's participating institutions may add adjustment factors to a student's university aggregate to calculate a selection rank for entry to their courses (see TEC for more information).

There are two schemes which provide adjustment factors to applicants - the Universities Equity Scheme and the Universities Language, Literacy and Mathematics Scheme.

SATAC administers these schemes on behalf of its participating institutions. Applicants who are eligible for adjustments under the Universities Equity Scheme will have their university aggregate adjusted by 5 points, and applicants who are eligible for adjustments under the Universities Language, Literacy and Mathematics Scheme will have their university aggregate adjusted by either 2 or 4 points. An individuals' aggregate can be adjusted by a maximum of 9 points. (Please refer to the SATAC Tertiary Entrance Booklet for eligibility criteria and a list of excluded courses)

### TAFE SA Entry Requirements

Many TAFE SA courses offered through SATAC have course admission requirements which all applicants must meet in order to be eligible for selection. Course admission requirements differ according to the level and type of course.

#### **Course Admission Requirements**

Courses may be considered competitive if there are limited places available, or non-competitive if all interested and qualified students will be accepted.

Admission requirements for competitive courses are either:

- Satisfactory demonstration of reading, writing and numeracy skills by undertaking the Core Skills Profile for Adults (CSPA), or
- Satisfactory demonstration of reading, writing and numeracy skills by undertaking the Core Skills Profile for Adults (CSPA) and satisfactory performance in an audition/written assessment/portfolio

Most Certificate IV, Diploma and Advanced Diploma courses do not have any course admission requirements, but some courses may require a lower level Certificate. SACE completion is a requirement for some courses.

There are no course admission requirements for non-competitive Certificate I, II and III level courses at TAFE SA. Students are required to demonstrate satisfactory reading, writing and numeracy skills as part of course counselling before enrolling in a TAFE SA course. (Information about the CSPA and admission requirements for individual courses is available from the TAFE SA website.

### Post-school Information Links

The following websites may be useful when exploring post school options within the Tertiary, Vocational Education and Training (VET) and employment sectors.

### **South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre**

www.satac.edu.au

#### **Tertiary Institutions**

- Charles Darwin University | www.cdu.edu.au
- Flinders University | www.flinders.edu.au
- Adelaide University | adelaideuni.edu.au/study
- CQUniversity Australia (Adelaide campus) | www.cqu.edu.au
- SAIBT | www.saibt.sa.edu.au
- Tabor | www.tabor.edu.au
- TAFE SA | www.tafesa.edu.au
- Torrens University Australia | www.torrens.edu.aiu

#### **Tertiary Admission Centres**

- SATAC SA & NT | www.satac.edu.au
- QTAC Queensland | www.qtac.edu.au/home
- TISC Western Australia | www.tisc.edu.au/static/home.tisc
- UAC NSW & ACT | www.uac.edu.au
- UTAS Tasmania | www.utas.edu.au
- VTAC Victoria | vtac.edu.au

### **Inclusive Education**

The Inclusive Education Program is underpinned by Christian Brothers College and the Catholic Education Strategic Plans, the Charter for Catholic Schools in the Edmund Rice Tradition, and Legislative and policy frameworks: Disability Discrimination Act (DDA, 1992), Disability Standards for Education (2005) and Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) Students with Disabilities Policy (2010).

In keeping with The Edmund Rice Tradition, current legislation and the Melbourne Declaration; Christian Brothers College has a strong commitment to all students so that they are provided with opportunities to access and participate in a broad, balanced and relevant curriculum.

The College acknowledges and recognises that some students may have additional learning needs related to their academic progress, intellectual, social/emotional difficulties, sensory impairments or physical difficulties. Student learning needs are supported through a differentiated curriculum. Teaching is adapted to take into account the individual needs of students. This comprises 'reasonable adjustments' to the curriculum, environment, pedagogical practices and assessment methods to ensure that instruction is relevant, flexible and responsive, leading to successful achievement and the development of students as self-regulated

#### The aims of the program are:

- Every student is encouraged, valued and accepted equally, regardless of ability.
- Students are provided with opportunities to demonstrate their individual strengths and aspirations.
- Every student will have access to the curriculum to which he is
- Students with additional learning needs will be identified at the earliest opportunity.
- Students identified under the Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) policy, Students with Disabilities (2010) and those with learning difficulties and complex profiles, will be provided with a Personalised Plan for Learning (PPL) as part of the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD).
- A collaborative process with parents, carers and agencies will be encouraged for meeting student needs.
- Where appropriate student voice is encouraged by the student

#### Identification of Student's needs may be sought through:

- Relevant reports or assessments made available (with written parent consent) by outside professionals and agencies.
- Teacher and school assessments including NAPLAN.
- Anecdotal information and observations.
- Student work samples.
- College and previous school reports.

### Responsibilities of the College

- Staff will engage in appropriate Professional Learning as required to meet the additional needs of individual students.
- College staff will liaise and work collaboratively with parents, carers and agencies in the planning of support for students with additional needs and focus on building a collaborative school and home partnership.
- Teachers will provide a curriculum in which students can access and participate successfully.
- Case management will be provided for students considered 'at risk'.
- Teachers will provide learning approaches that recognise and build on student strenaths.
- Staff, in collaboration with the Inclusive Education Coordinator, will assist in monitoring the educational progress of students in the Inclusive Education Program. The Coordinator will assist in the identification and coordinate the mechanisms required to meet student's educational, pastoral care, safety and health needs and in negotiation with teachers, coordinate the planning and review process.
- The Inclusive Education Coordinator will, as appropriate, maintain communication with the CESA personnel, in particular Special Education, Behaviour Education and Indigenous Education to assist in the support of students with additional



### Responsibilities of Parents/Carers

- Inform the relevant College staff of any significant changes in their son's life, e.g. health, relevant family issues/changes, that may impact on their son's wellbeing and/or learning.
- Share updated professional reports relevant to their son's education.
- Share observations and insights into their son's strengths, interests, friendships and daily living skills within a range of contexts.
- Participate in planning or review meetings and the development of, or progress toward the educational goals or objectives.
- In the first instance raise any concerns with their son's Tutor Group teacher on the Senior campus or class teacher on the Junior campus.

### Responsibilities of Students

- Participate in the planning and review of goals as appropriate.
- Share relevant information in relation to their educational program, e.g. success, areas of concern, including support received through the Inclusive Education program.
- Act in a respectful and responsible manner as a participant of the Inclusive Education program.

# Guidelines for Implementation of the Policy

The Inclusive Education program provides support by:

- Specialist intervention programs
- In class support
- Withdrawal situation
- Homework club

### Identification of students within the College Inclusive Education policy:

Students may be identified by:

- The CESA policy, Students With Disabilities (2010) verified as eligible by current professional reports.
- Teachers, substantiated by relevant assessments, professional reports or work samples that demonstrate the student is achieving significantly below or above the expectation for their chronological age.
- Parents, substantiated by relevant assessments, professional reports that demonstrate the student is achieving significantly below or above the expectation for their chronological age.
- The transition process at the time of enrolment or Interview.

Applications for students for inclusion in the Inclusive Education Program will be made through the Inclusive Education Coordinator.

The student needs and appropriate course(s) of action or intervention will be determined to support the student's access and participation in the educational program.



# Advanced Learners at Christian Brothers College

At Christian Brothers College the student is at the heart of our teaching and The College very much acknowledges the wisdom of the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) when it states 'Students who are gifted and talented have a right to rigorous, relevant and engaging learning activities drawn from a challenging that addresses their individual learning needs'.

The Higher Achiever's Program (HAP) is unique to Christian Brothers College, developed over many years of peer-reviewed research, and continually being reformed and tested in line with best practice. It is not a static program. Christian Brothers College recognises that giftedness is about the student and not about a definition; it is about a fluid characteristic that when properly developed flourishes into a life-long talent. We believe that giftedness can exist across many domains and can be of various levels.

Unlike many programs developed for high achieving students that are built around extended or accelerated content, Christian Brothers' program is focused on the meta-cognitive strategies with a specific aim of developing an autonomous, self-regulated learner, in control of their own pathways. The program is not based around the teaching but centred on the act of learning, the one aspect of education that the student has ultimate agency over.

Our work with high-achieving students has found that many of these students can cruise through their middle years only to be left floundering in their senior years. We have established a link between talented students not being practised in explicit metacognitive strategies and their reluctance to choosing challenging and fulfilling educational pathways. In response, the College has developed a Higher Achievers Program that addresses this link at the students' formative years, in early Middle School.

The high achievers at Christian Brothers have their own unique timetable, developed in order for the student to practise self-regulated and meta-cognitive strategies whilst being engaged in rigorous, relevant, and engaging activities. The students are given scaffolded freedom, promoting agency and developing a voice.

Alongside the timetable structure, the most important feature of the program, the following opportunities are forwarded to our gifted learners:

- Enrichment (differentiated) programs in Science, English and Humanities.
- Affective support through mentorship.
- Skill and talent development in sport.
- Interest and high-skill programs within courses, (Astronomy).
- Classes with pedagogical styles especially adapted for the inclusion of the Gifted and Talented.
- Flexible groupings, tier-based class resourcing.
- Co-curricular activities that sit alongside the academic such as Robotics, Programming, Chess and a variety of competitions, such as Computational & Algorithmic Thinking.
- Australian Mathematics Competition, Oliphant Science Awards.
- G&T Conferences for students, Youth forums from Amnesty.
- Monthly Adelaide University lecture by a variety of lecturers for the students participating in the Gifted and Talented Physics/ Astronomy program.

Competitions we enter our Higher Achievers in:

- Academy Conferences for the gifted and talented
- Ingenuity Engineering
- Year 7 Gifted and Talented students entered into SA Da Vinci Decathlon
- UNSW Mathematics competition for gifted or talented mathematicians in Years 7–10
- The Australian Science Olympiads in Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Earth Science Years 7–10
- World Education Games for Year 7 and 8 Gifted and Talented (ICT based competition).



## **Learning Area Overview**

	Compulsory Subjects		Non-Core / Elective Subjects		
Junior School	Chinese English Health and Physical Education Humanities Mathematics	Music Religious Education Science Technologies The Arts			
Year 7	Chinese (Mandarin) Civics and Citizenship Design Technology & Engineering Digital Technologies English Food Technology Geography	Health and Physical Education History: The Ancient World Italian Mathematics Religious Education Science The Arts (Drama, Music and Visual Arts)	English Enrichment Health and Physical Education (Soccer) Humanities Enrichment Mathematics Enrichment Science Enrichment		
Year 8	Civics and Citizenship Design Technology & Engineering Digital Technologies English Food Technology Geography Health and PE	History: The Ancient to the Modern World Italian or Chinese (Mandarin) Mathematics Religious Education Science	Drama English Enrichment Health and PE (Soccer) Humanities Enrichment Mathematics Enrichment	Music Science Enrichment Visual Arts and Design	
Year 9	Civics and Citizenship English Geography Health and Physical Education	History: The Making of the Modern World Mathematics Religious Education Science	Design Technology & Engineering Digital Technologies Drama English Enrichment Food Technology	Health and PE (Soccer) Humanities Enrichment Italian or Chinese (Mandarin) Managing Money and My Future Mathematics Enrichment	Music Science Enrichment Visual Arts – Art Visual Arts – Design Visual Arts – Digital Art
Year 10	English Exploring Identities and Mathematics Spiritualities, Religion ar	, , ,	Biology Chemistry Chinese (Mandarin) Community Developed Programs Design Technology & Engineering: Material Solutions - Metal Design Technology & Engineering: Material Solutions - Timber Design Technology & Engineering: Robotic and Electronic Systems Digital Technology: Digital Communication Solutions (Stage 1) Drama (Stage 1)	Food Technology Geography Health and Physical Education Health and PE (Soccer) History: The Modern World and Australia Italian Managing Money and My Future Mathematics 10A Essential Mathematics (Stage 1) General Mathematics Pre-Methods Mathematics	Music Experience (Stage 1) Physics Psychology Society and Culture - Business in the Global Economy Pre-Trades (Off Campus) Self-directed Community Learning Sport and Recreation Visual Arts - Art Visual Arts - Design Visual Arts - Digital Art
Year 11	Activating Identities and Futures (Stage 2) English* Essential English* Pre-Literary Studies* Essential Mathematics* General Mathematics* Mathematical Methods* Specialist Mathematics* Spiritualities, Religion and Meaning (Stage 2)  * Students must choose two semesters of English and one semester of Mathematics.		Accounting Biology Business Innovation Certificate III Sports Coaching (On Campus) Chemistry - Biological and Environmental Child Studies Chinese (Mandarin) Community Developed Programs Community Studies Design Technology & Engineering: Material Solutions - Metal Design Technology & Engineering: Material Solutions - Timber	Design Technology & Engineering: Robotic and Electronic Systems Digital Technology: Digital Communication Solutions (Stage 2) Drama (Stage 2) Economics Food and Hospitality Geography Information Processing and Publishing Integrated Learning (Soccer) Integrated Learning (Sport) Italian Legal Studies Media Studies	Modern History Music Explorations (Stage 2) Nutrition Outdoor Education Physical Education Physics Psychology Scientific Studies: Sports Science Self-directed Community Learning VET (Off Campus) Visual Arts – Art Visual Arts – Design Workplace Practices
Year 12	CBC Advantage  *Students must choose CBC Advantage line. (Refer to page 109)	one option from the	Accounting Biology Business Innovation Certificate III Business (On Campus) Certificate III Sports Coaching (On Campus) Chemistry Child Studies Chinese (Continuers) Community Developed Programs Community Studies Design Technology & Engineering: Material Solutions - Composite Design Technology & Engineering: Robotic and Electronic Systems Digital Technology: Digital Communication Solutions (Stage 2) Drama Economics	English English Literary Studies Essential English Food and Hospitality Geography Health and Wellbeing Information Processing and Publishing Integrated Learning (Soccer) Integrated Learning (Sport) Italian Legal Studies Essential Mathematics General Mathematics Mathematical Methods Specialist Mathematics Media Studies	Modern History Music Performance (Solo and/or Ensemble) Nutrition Outdoor Education Physical Education Physics Psychology Scientific Studies: Sports Science Self-directed Community Learning Society and Culture VET (Off Campus) Visual Arts – Art Visual Arts – Design Workplace Practices Workplace Practices – High Performance Sport



### **Arts**

'Arts' is a collective term for the wide variety of subjects offered within this Learning Area. Artists such as actors, dancers, film-makers, painters, designers and singers entice us to reflect on their arts works-symbolic representations of life experiences and imagined worlds. Artists play a major role in every day communications and can be called upon to symbolise moments of great importance to cultural groups. Arts forms are based on traditions and evolve according to changing social, cultural and technological practices.

Learning in arts engages students in satisfying, lifelong involvement and enjoyment. The richness of meaning expressed in arts works provides both intellectual rigour and a sense of self-worth in individuals and communities. The arts provide a means by which learners can explain, reflect, understand and critique society and imagine better worlds. Students develop non-literal languages and discover other ways of communicating through metaphor and innuendo. Such learning engages student's intellect and creativity; enables them to become imaginative problem-solvers; and offers opportunities for students to access alternative methods of thinking and feeling specific to each arts form.

### **Arts Courses**

Courses at Year 10 level are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for The Arts and are built upon the interrelated strands of Making and Responding.

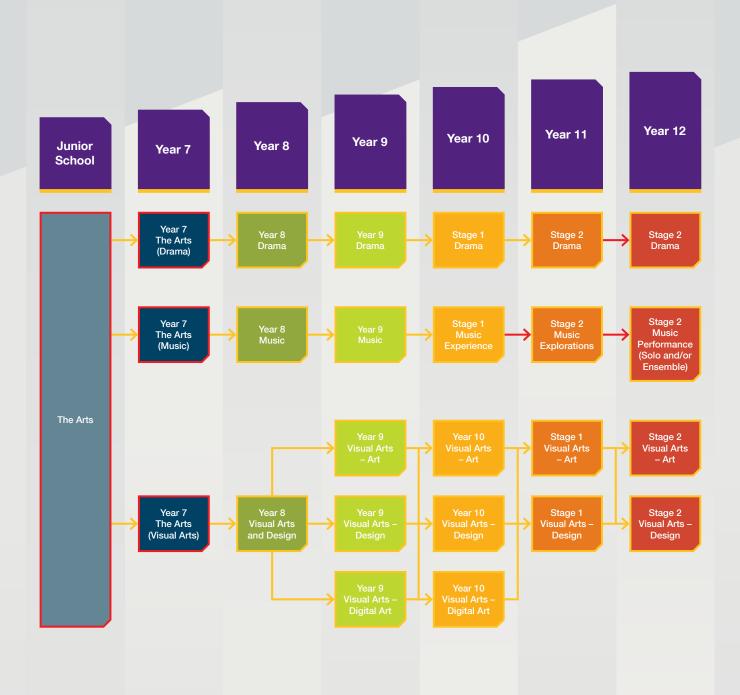
**Making** includes learning about and using knowledge, skills, techniques, processes, materials and technologies to explore arts practices and make artworks that communicate ideas and intentions

**Responding** includes exploring, responding to, analysing and interpreting artworks.

Stage 1 and 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide opportunity for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed by the teacher, based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board. Stage 1 courses are constructed in order to prepare students for study in the corresponding Stage 2 subject.

Subjects within this Learning Area are divided into three categories – Drama, Music and Visual Arts.





### **Cross Disciplinary**

The Cross Disciplinary Learning Area at Christian Brothers College encompasses the following subjects: Exploring Identities and Futures at Year 10 (Stage 1 compulsory subject), Activating Identities and Futures at Year 11 (Stage 2 compulsory subject), Community Studies at Year 11 (Stage 1) and Year 12 (Stage 2), and Workplace Practices in Year 11 (Stage 1), with both Workplaces Practices and Workplace Practices – High Performance Sports streams available at Year 12 (Stage 2). In addition, vocational learning is offered across Years 9, 10, 11 and 12. Each of these subjects provides opportunities for student learning in different ways.

### **Exploring Identities and Futures**

Exploring Identities and Futures (EIF) is a compulsory SACE subject, normally undertaken in Year 10.

Exploring Identities and Futures supports students to explore their aspirations. They are given the space and opportunity to extend their thinking beyond what they want to do, to also consider who they want to be in the future. The subject supports students to learn more about themselves, their place in the world, and enables them to explore and deepen their sense of belonging, identity, and connections to the world around them.

EIF prepares students for their SACE journey and the knowledge, skills, and capabilities required to be thriving learners. As an introduction to the SACE, students will be empowered to take ownership of where their pathway leads, exploring interests, work, travel and/or further learning.

Exploring Identities and Futures contributes 10 credits towards the SACE. Because it is compulsory, students need to achieve a C grade or above.

### Activating Identities and Futures

Activating Identities and Futures (AIF) is a Stage 2 subject that all SACE students undertake. The subject is worth 10 credits, and students need to achieve a C grade or higher to achieve their SACE.

AIF engages students to take greater ownership and agency over their learning as they select relevant strategies to explore, create and/or plan to progress an area of personal interest towards a learning output. Students develop the skills to 'learn how to learn' and strategies to 'know what to do when you don't know what to do'.

Students explore ideas related to an area of personal interest through a process of self-directed inquiry. They draw on knowledge, skills and capabilities developed throughout their education that they can apply in this new context and select relevant strategies to progress the learning to a resolution.

### **Workplace Practices**

Students develop knowledge, skills, and understanding of the nature, type and structure of the workplace. They learn about the value of unpaid work to society, future trends in the world of work, workers' rights and responsibilities and career planning. Students can choose to study Workplace Practices in Year 11, and Workplace Practices or Workplace Practices - High Performance Sport at Stage 2.

Students can undertake learning in the workplace and develop and reflect on their capabilities, interests, and aspirations. The subject may include the undertaking of vocational education and training (VET) as provided under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF).

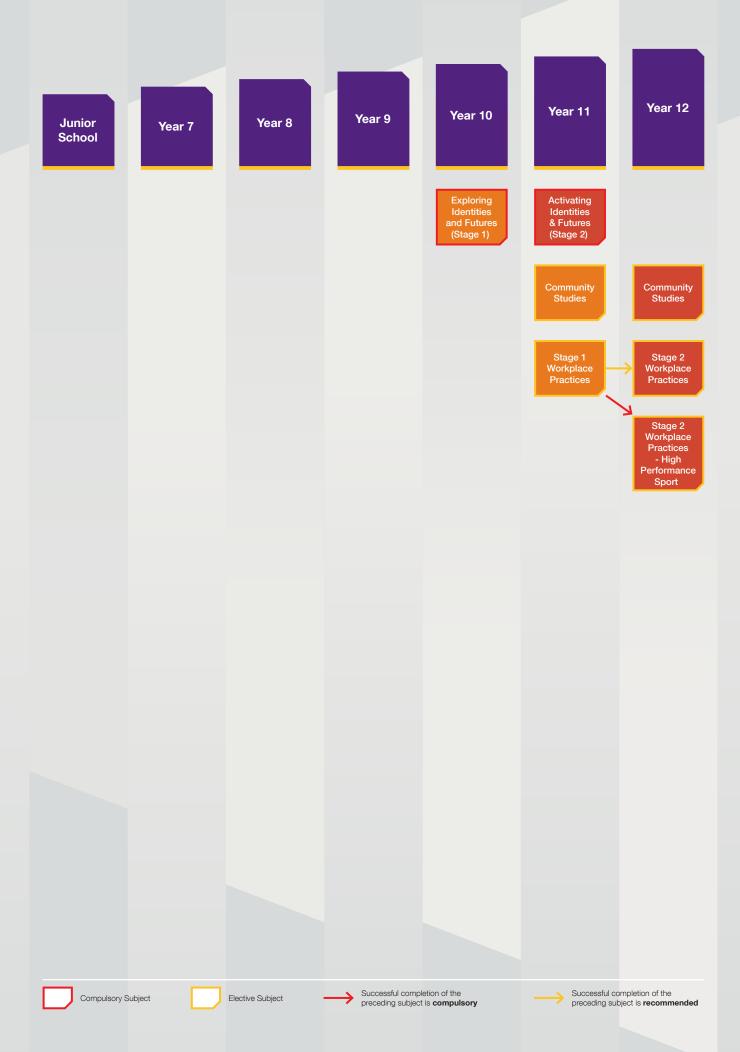
### Community Studies

Community Studies can be undertaken at both Year 11 and 12, and students may undertake more than one Community Studies subject, but only one per area of study.

Students learn in a community context and interact with teachers, peers, and community members. They decide the focus of their community activity/community application activity, which begins from a point of personal interest, skill, or knowledge.

By setting challenging and achievable goals in their community activity/community application activity, students enhance their knowledge and understanding in a guided and supported learning program. They develop their capacity to work independently and to apply their skills and knowledge in practical ways in their community.

Note: Community Studies contributes to SACE completion, although does not contribute to a student's ATAR.



### **Design Technology and Engineering**

Design Technology and Engineering education creates technologically literate individuals who critique, design and make products, processes and systems. It involves cross curriculum links and embraces procedural knowledge. There are many valuable techniques to be learned through critiquing, designing and making. It is a dynamic and diverse learning area, the content of which can be determined by local contexts and the needs of students and the community. This procedural knowledge can be used in leisure pursuits, lifelong learning, work, and participation in democratic processes and decision-making. Design Technology and Engineering offers learners knowledge, skills, strategies, dispositions, to develop their own identities as individuals, and to help them design shared, sustainable futures.

Subject offerings within the Design Technology and Engineering Learning Area provide students with the opportunity to develop their capacities to critique the technological and designed worlds around them. In Design, Technology and Engineering students use the design and realisation process to engineer solutions for the development of products or systems. Design, Technology and Engineering has four contexts: digital communication solutions, industry and entrepreneurial solutions, material solutions and robotic and electronic systems.

As a result of this, students learn to question those worlds in new ways and construct new meanings of the worlds. Students are enabled to challenge the 'status quo' of acceptance of the built and created world. Ultimately students can identify and deconstruct dominant power structures which create injustice in our world. As students design, they are empowered to effect change by developing a range of thinking skills. They learn that a number of answers may be possible when critiquing, designing or making technology. As students make, they examine their ideas and thinking against reality by applying skills and knowledge. They take practical action to bring into being ethically desirable products, processes and systems. The notion of a technologically literate learner calls for a deep understanding of technology, developed through richly woven subject offerings.

# Design Technology and Engineering Courses

Courses at Year 7 to 10 level are designed to meet the current requirements of the Australian Curriculum. The broad range of subject offerings within the Design Technology and Engineering area are built on the two strands from the Technologies learning area and the two strands from the Human and Social Sciences learning area.

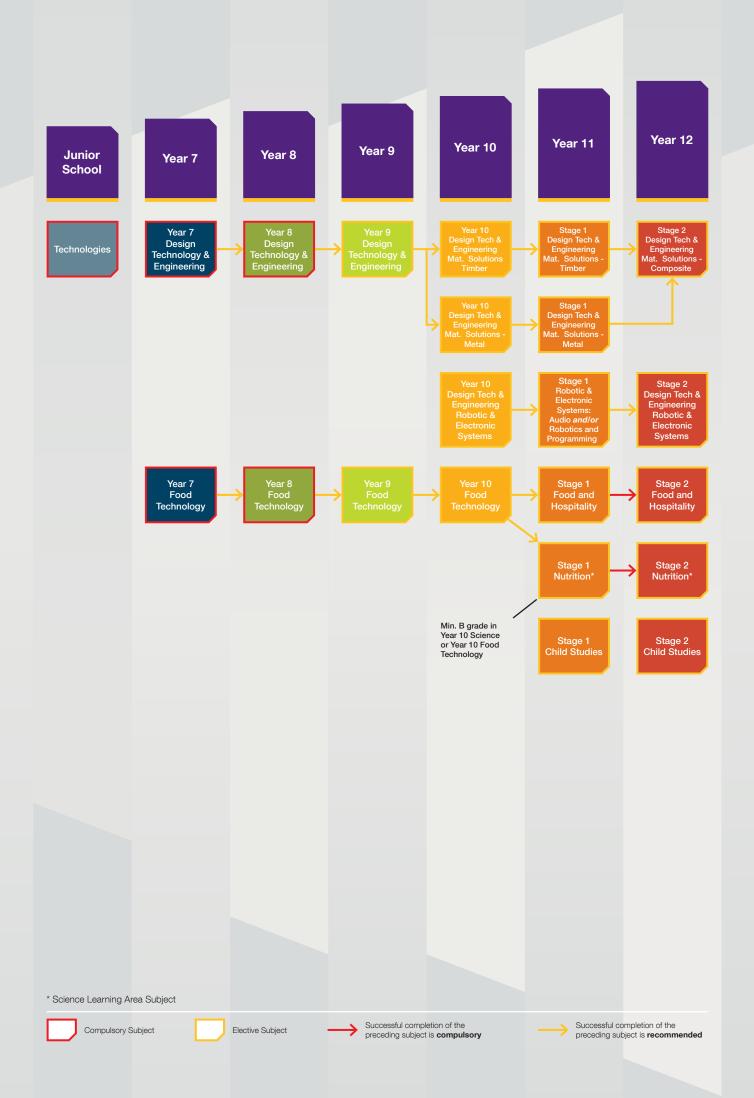
**Design and Technologies Knowledge and Understanding** – the use, development and impact of technologies and design ideas across a range of technologies contexts.

 Design and Technologies Processes and Production Skills – the skills needed to create designed solutions.

Stage 1 and 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide opportunity for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed by the teacher, based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board. Stage 1 courses are constructed in order to prepare students for study in the corresponding Stage 2 subject.

Subjects within this Learning Area are divided into two general categories – those relating to Business and those relating to Technologies.





### **Digital Technologies**

In Digital Technologies, students develop foundational knowledge and practical skills in computational thinking, creative media, and digital systems. The subject encourages students to become innovative problem-solvers, capable of designing, coding, and evaluating digital solutions for real-world applications. Learning is based on hands-on, authentic tasks that build students' confidence in navigating modern digital tools and environments.

The program develops technical fluency alongside design thinking and ethical awareness. Students progress from foundational digital literacy in Year 7 to specialised skills in areas such as coding, data analytics, web development, and multimedia production. Projects are designed to build communication, creativity, and collaboration, preparing students for further study in Digital Technologies and emerging careers in the digital economy.

The curriculum also fosters awareness of responsible digital citizenship, helping students understand issues such as online safety, data ethics, intellectual property, and sustainable design.

### Digital Technologies Courses

Courses in Years 7 to 9 are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Digital Technologies. Students explore a range of tools and platforms while learning to analyse problems, design solutions, and evaluate outcomes using contemporary software and technologies.

In Year 7, students develop digital literacy through structured tasks in Word and PowerPoint. They apply layout and design principles to create an interactive visual story, developing skills in navigation logic, formatting, and audience-focused communication.

In Year 8, students are introduced to coding and media production. They write simple Python programs, explore data analysis using Excel, and develop creative content through image and audio editing. An optional drone module allows students to explore programming in physical computing contexts.

In Year 9, students participate in an integrated project themed around eSports. They gather and analyse gameplay data, build relational databases using SQL, and design websites using HTML and CSS. The course also includes video editing and digital poster design. This culminates in a live portfolio showcasing students' analytical and creative output.

Assessment includes both practical product creation and reflection on the design process. Across the middle years, students are supported to think critically about design, user experience, and the ethical implications of digital solutions.

#### **Senior Digital Technologies**

Senior Digital Technologies prepares students for advanced study and future careers in creative technology fields. The senior curriculum is based on the SACE subject Digital Communication Solutions, offered at both Stage 1 and Stage 2 levels.

#### Stage 1 Digital Communication Solutions (offered in Year 10)

Students undertake two specialised skills tasks and complete a small design project in a chosen stream: Game Design, Web Development, Film Production, or Photography (or other). They apply the design and realisation process to create a functional product, document their progress, and reflect on user feedback and ethical considerations.

Learning is highly practical, with emphasis on skill development, problem-solving, and creative experimentation. The course equips students with the foundational capabilities needed for Stage 2 SUCCESS

### Stage 2 Digital Communication Solutions (offered in Year 11 and Year 12)

In Stage 2, students extend their skills through a major digital project. They complete a series of assessments, including two specialised skills tasks, a design brief and research report, a product realisation and process journal, and an evaluation. A resource study further deepens their understanding of digital tools and ethical practice.

Students have the freedom to choose their focus area, game, web, film, or photo, and are expected to demonstrate autonomy, technical skill, and creativity in their final product. Assessment tasks are moderated according to SACE Board guidelines.





### **English, EALD and Literacy**

In English, the study, enjoyment and critical use of a range of spoken, written and visual texts enables students to develop knowledge about how language functions and how texts reflect and shape social attitudes and conventions. Students become critical and creative users of the English language, in order to develop communicative capacities and the skills and values to engage with all aspects of their academic and social lives.

The study of English or EALD subjects involves learning about texts and language and using the modes of speaking, listening, reading, viewing and writing. Students comprehend and compose a range of literature, media and texts. They explore and engage with fictional, factual, non-print and multimedia texts from diverse cultural perspectives, using these texts to explore ideas, and think imaginatively and critically about themselves, their world and the global community. Students are also able to use the texts they read, view and listen to, as resources for creating and constructing their own texts.

### English, EALD and Literacy Courses

Courses at Year 7 and 8 are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for English. The coursework builds on student's previous literacy skills and moves towards the analytical and productive requirements of Senior English and SACE English requirements.

In Years 7 and 8, students communicate with peers, teachers, individuals, groups and community members in a range of face-to-face and online/virtual environments. They experience learning in familiar and unfamiliar contexts that relate to the school curriculum, local community, regional and global contexts.

Students engage with a variety of texts for enjoyment. They listen to, read, view, interpret, evaluate and perform a range of spoken, written and multimodal texts in which the primary purpose is aesthetic, as well as texts designed to inform, evaluate, reflect and persuade.

These include various types of media texts including newspapers, magazines and digital texts, early adolescent novels, non-fiction, poetry and dramatic performances. Students develop their understanding of how texts, including media texts, are influenced by context, purpose and audience.

There are two types of assessment, productive (creating texts) and receptive (responding to texts), that inform the overall achievement.

Courses at Year 9 and 10 are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for English. The coursework involves deeper analysis and refined production of texts congruent with the requirements of SACE Senior English.

In Years 9 and 10, students interact with peers, teachers, individuals, groups and community members in a range of face-to-face and online/virtual environments. They experience learning in familiar and unfamiliar contexts, including local community, vocational and global contexts.

Students engage with a variety of texts for enjoyment. They interpret, create, evaluate, discuss, and perform a wide range of literary texts in which the primary purpose is aesthetic, as well as texts designed to inform, evaluate, reflect and persuade. These include various types of media texts, including newspapers, film and digital texts, fiction, non-fiction, poetry, dramatic performances, and multimodal texts, with themes and issues involving levels of abstraction, higher order reasoning and intertextual references. Students develop a critical understanding of the contemporary media and the differences between media texts.

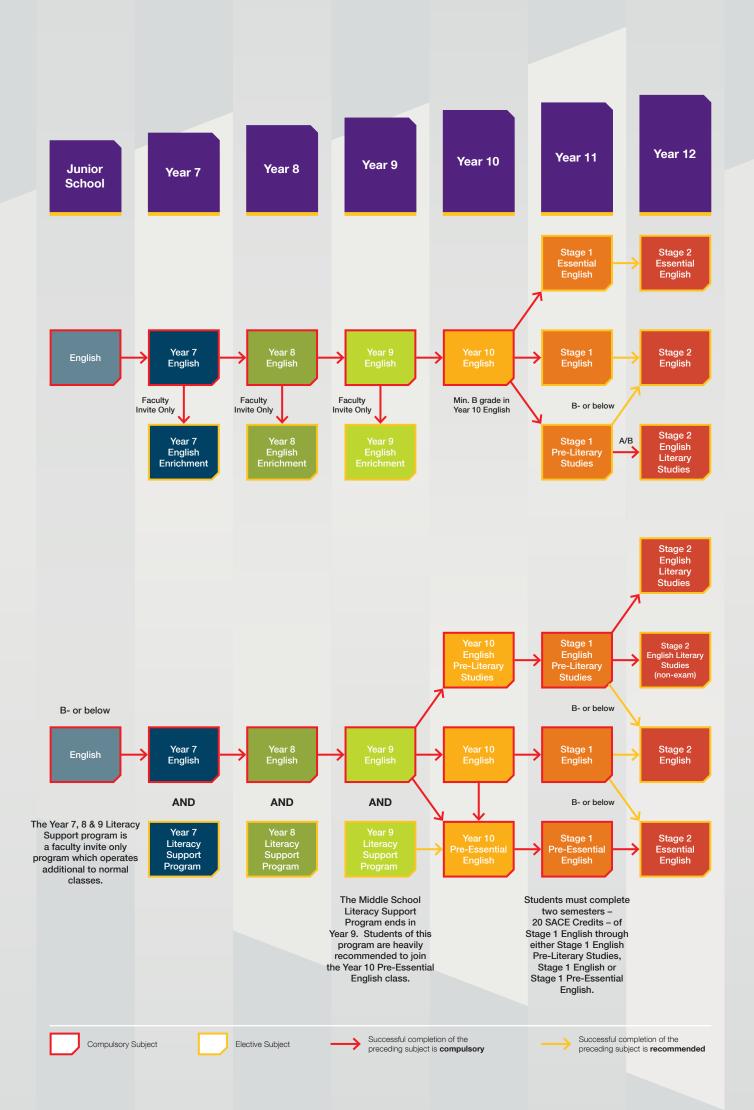
There are two types of assessment, productive (creating texts) and receptive (responding to texts), that inform the overall achievement.

Students in Years 7–9 may also be offered the opportunity through faculty invitation to participate in the Middle School Literacy Support Program. This program operates as an addition to the regular class, where students access tutor support in small groups outside of class to support the fundamentals of literacy development. By Year 10, this program ceases, however it is heavily recommended that students who previously accessed the program undertake Year 10 Pre-Essential English.

Stage 1 and 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide opportunities for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed by the teacher, based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board and are quality assured by subject moderators. Stage 1 courses are constructed in order to prepare students for study in the corresponding Stage 2 subject.

Students must achieve a minimum 'C' standard in 20 credits of English or EALD subjects in order to complete the SACE.





### **Flexible Learning**

The Adelaide City Entrepreneurial Trade Training Centre (ACE TTC) supports student, parent and community to become aware of Vocational Education & Training, Apprenticeships, Traineeships, ESTEAM-linked curriculum and the importance of being able to apply theoretical applications to practical experiences.

CBC's multi-layered approach to learning and our diverse range of curriculum enables students to develop strong academic skills, broad analytical thinking capabilities and the confidence to be successful in a rapidly changing global environment.

Studying Vocational Education & Learning (VET) or micro-credentials as part of SACE enables students to get a head-start on industry recognised qualifications.

### Completing SACE using Vocational Education & Training

Students can gain recognition for up to 150 SACE credits at Stage 1 and/or Stage 2 for successfully completed VET.

You need 200 credits in total to achieve your SACE.

The remaining 50 credits are made up of:

- 10 credits for Stage 1 Exploring Identities and Futures.
- 20 credits chosen from a range of English subjects and/or courses at Stage 1 or Stage 2 (literacy requirement).
- 10 credits chosen from a range of Mathematics subjects and/or courses at Stage 1 or Stage 2 (numeracy requirement).
- 10 credits for Stage 2 Activating Identities and Futures.

The SACE Board determines whether credits earned for a particular VET qualification will be recognised at Stage 1 or Stage 2. Students can refer to the VET Recognition Register for more information about recognition at Stage 1 and Stage 2.

Students' VET achievements will be reported on their SACE Record of Achievement against the qualification(s) that they have successfully undertaken

#### What VET Programs can I choose from?

CBC offers students a wide variety of VET courses both on and off campus. VET course flyers and further information can be obtained from Ms Tia, CBC Careers/VET Coordinator.

# School-Based Apprenticeships / Traineeships (SBATs)

Australian School-based Apprenticeship/Traineeships (SBATs) allows Year 10, 11 and 12 students to combine paid employment with off-the-job vocational training (VET) and completion of their South Australian Secondary Certificate of Education (SACE).

The student, as part of an employer/employee negotiated Training Contract will undertake part-time paid employment of no less than 8 hours per week. A substantial part of a student's Stage 1 and Stage 2 SACE requirements can be met though recognition of SBAT training. All SBATs need to be endorsed by the Principal and are intended to be converted to full-time once the student leaves school.

### Community Learning

The SACE Board recognises that learning doesn't just happen in the classroom, but in all kinds of settings.

SACE students can earn credits for community service or activities through recognised Community-developed programs or self-directed community learning

### **Community-Developed Programs**

Many community organisations develop and accredit their own programs which can be recognised towards the SACE at either Stage 1 or Stage 2 level. Examples include the Australian Music Examinations Board, The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award, and the SA Country Fire Service.

Students who have received an award or certificate from one of the organisations detailed in the Recognised Community-developed Programs table may be eligible for SACE credits.

Students can apply for recognition of a Community-developed program by completing the application form and submitting the form to their school's SACE Coordinator.

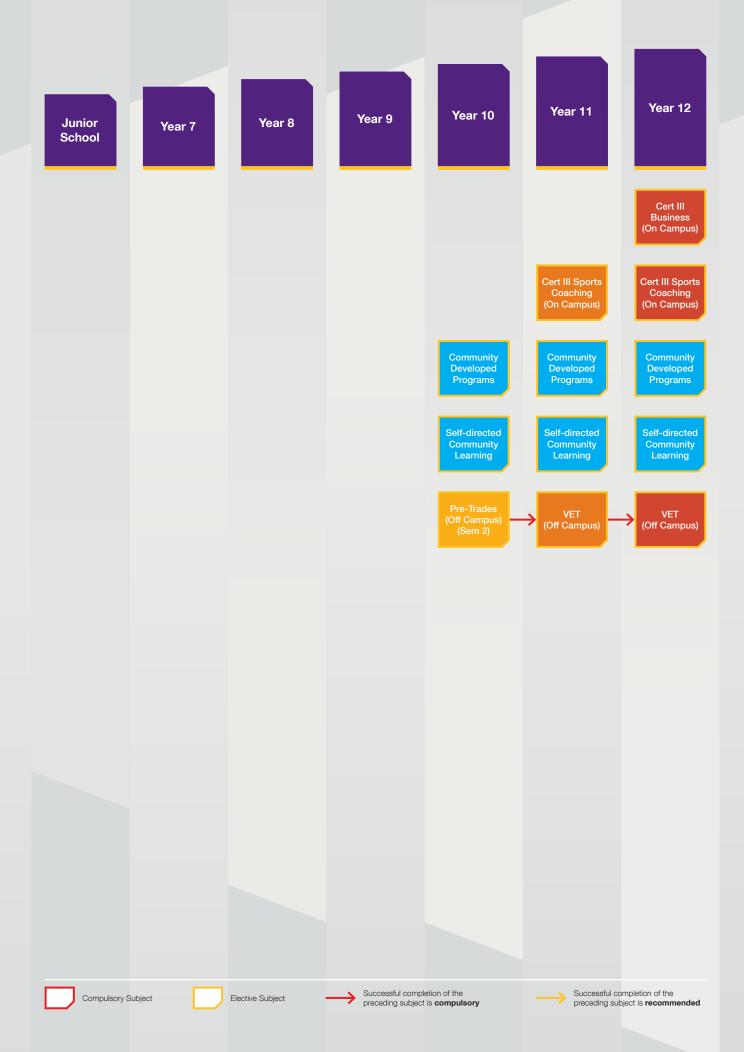
Please note: Recognition is not granted against Exploring Identities and Futures (at Stage 1), the literacy or numeracy requirements, Activating Identities and Futures (at Stage 2), or the requirement for 60 credits at C grade or better at Stage 2.

#### Self-directed Community Learning

SACE credit for self-directed community learning may be gained through learning experiences and/or activities that are not formally accredited within the curriculum. Examples of this type of learning include officiating at a series of sporting events; performing in sport at an elite level; planning and coordinating community or recreational events; taking a leadership role in volunteer organisations; taking responsibility for the care of an older adult or person with a disability etc.

The process for students to have their self-directed community learning considered for recognition as part of their SACE involves the student submitting a Self-Directed Community Learning Application Form and attending an interview with a Community Learning Assessor. To meet the requirements for satisfactory achievement, the student must provide evidence that addresses the nature, scope, and level of complexity of their community learning. For more information, please refer to the SACE website.

Please note: Recognition is not granted against Exploring Identities and Futures (at Stage 1), the literacy or numeracy requirements, Activating Identities and Futures (at Stage 2), or the requirement for 60 credits at C grade or better at Stage 2.



### **Health and Physical Education**

Health and Physical Education is an experiential subject in which students explore their physical capacities, advance their physical literacy, investigate the factors that influence and improve participation, develop an understanding of their sense of self and build on personal strengths to enhance wellbeing.

Students use critical inquiry skills to research and analyse knowledge and to understand the influences on their own and others' health, safety, wellbeing and physical activity participation. They also develop resilience and empathy to be actively engaged in their own and others' wellbeing, using health, safety and physical activity resources for the benefit of themselves and their communities.

At the core of Health and Physical Education is the acquisition of movement skills and concepts to enable students to participate in a range of physical activities – confidently, competently and creatively. Movement is a powerful medium for learning, through which students can practise and refine personal, behavioural, social and cognitive skills. As a foundation for lifelong physical activity participation and enhanced performance, through an integrated approach students acquire an understanding 'in, about and through' physical activity. This involves students developing an understanding of their own movement in a variety of situations and using a wide range of skills (such as social and intellectual) to reflect on their involvement and improve participation and performance. It also asks students to apply their understanding of sport related scientific concepts, such as biomechanics and exercise physiology, to physical activities.

# Health and Physical Education Courses

Courses in Year 7–10 are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Health and Physical Education, and are built upon the two strands within the learning area: 'personal, social and community health' and 'movement and physical activity'.

Stage 1 and 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide opportunity for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed by the teacher, based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board. Stage 1 courses are constructed in order to prepare students for study in the corresponding Stage 2 subject.

#### Health and Physical Education (Soccer)

Christian Brothers College is committed to providing all students with an opportunity to learn, develop and excel in the game of Soccer. Lessons and training sessions have an emphasis on four key elements for player development: Technical, Tactical, Physical, and Psychological. Practical sessions are designed to challenge participants and teach them to play with confidence and belief. Students have access to accredited coaches who will cover the requirements of the Australian Curriculum: Health and Physical Education at the relevant year levels, students also study soccer specific content. Students will participate in coaching and officiating accreditation pathways achieving their Football Australia MiniRoos and Foundation of Football Coaching certificates as well as their Football Australia Junior Match Official (Level 4) accreditation. As specialist sport entrants, students can enhance their practical skills through deep understanding of theoretical concepts specific to soccer. Christian Brothers College liaises closely with Football South Australia in terms of access to National Premier League Football and the High Performance Pathway.

Students in Year 7 have the opportunity to experience the program as an elective. Years 8-12 is through faculty invitation only will be afforded the opportunity to participate within the program; in one of two streams; Advanced or Fundamental. To participate in the Health and Physical Education (Soccer) or Stage 1/ Stage 2 Integrated Learning (Soccer) Program students must meet the requirements.

#### Cost \$150 per student per year.

#### Program Structure

- Grouping by Ability (Comparable to Academic Class Structures)
- Fundamental Group: Focus on developing core technical, tactical, and physical skills alongside enjoyment of the game.
- Advanced Group: Designed for high-performing students ready for greater tactical complexity, competitive play, and leadership opportunities.

This grouping will be dynamic, with twice-yearly assessments allowing student movement between groups based on performance, effort, and attitude.

#### 2. Benchmark Assessment Model

Pillar	Fundamental Group: Emerging / Consolidating	Advanced Group: Competent / Excelling	
Technical	Building basic skills; requires repetition and support.	Consistent technical execution under pressure.	
Tactical	Learning basic positional play and structure.	Reads the game, adapts tactically, and leads on the field.	
Physical	Developing age- appropriate fitness, agility, and strength.	Meets or exceeds age benchmarks for speed, endurance, and agility.	
Psychological	Displays enthusiasm; developing resilience and focus.	Highly motivated, resilient, mentally tough, and self-driven.	
Effort/Attitude	Generally committed; may require reminders about effort and preparation.	Consistent work ethic, leadership, and behaviour aligned with CBC values.	

#### **Assessment Process:**

- Formal skill, fitness, and tactical assessments twice yearly
- Ongoing coach observations during training and competition
- Fitness testing against ageappropriate benchmarks
- Behavioural and academic alignment with CBC expectations

### **Expectations and Standards**

Students in the Football Program will:

- Maintain high standards of behaviour on and off the field,
- Attend training and matches regularly,
- Uphold CBC values and school expectations,
- Demonstrate leadership and responsibility as part of their growth
- Maintain strong academic grades and application.

#### **Student Entry & Selection Process**

#### Entry into the Program:

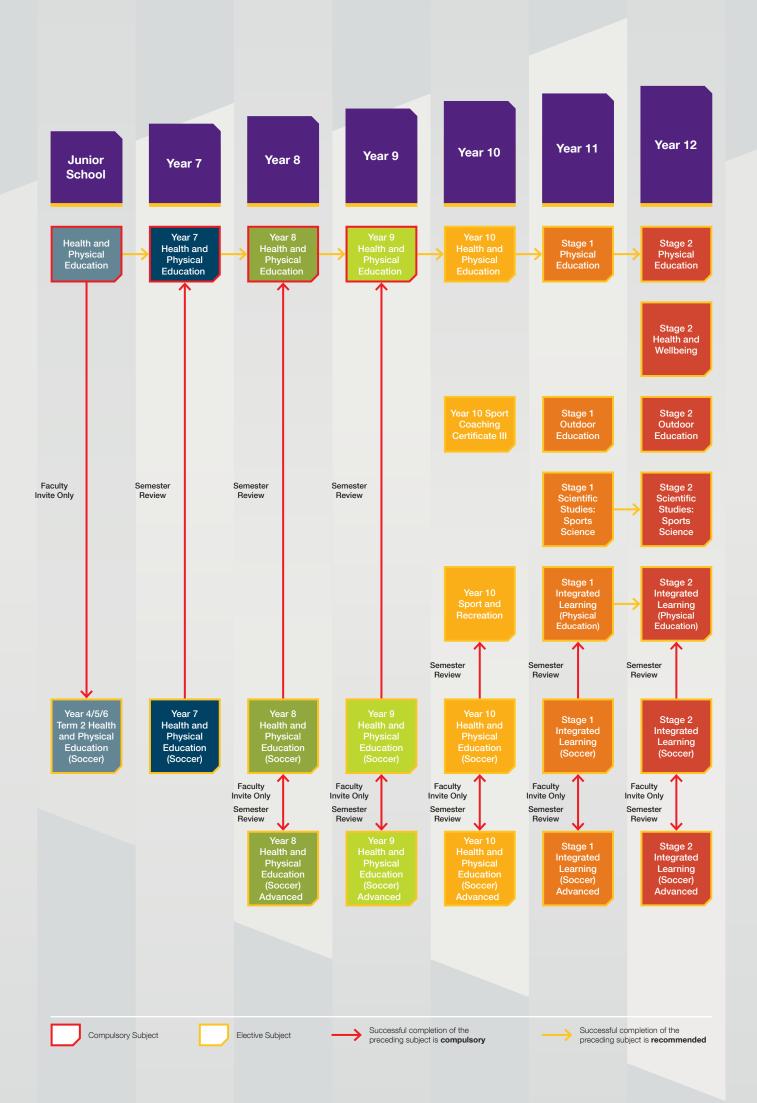
Entry into the Football Program will be managed through a transparent, merit-based process led by football staff to ensure players are committed, coachable, and ready to contribute positively.

#### Entry Pathways:

- Year 6 transition students (via enrolment and expression of interest)
- Annual football trials
- Staff recommendations (HPE staff, coaches)
- Development pathway engagement (Clinics)
- Mid-year entry for new enrolments (case by case)

#### **Ongoing Review**

Players' progress and suitability will be reviewed annually. Students failing to meet the behavioural, academic, or commitment standards may be supported through a Football Review Plan or, if required, removed from the program in consultation with the Deputy Principal.



### **Humanities**

Subjects within the Humanities Learning Area involve the study of how the experiences and relationships of individuals and groups are shaped and characterised by particular social, cultural, religious, historical, economic, political, technological and ecological systems and structures which develop in different ways and places and at different times. The student's own experiences and knowledge are starting points in the challenge of discussing and considering new perspectives on particular issues, with emphasis on understanding and participating in ethical issues concerning various societies and environments.

The concepts and processes employed in subjects within this learning area enable learners to think about current issues confronting them and their world. Through exploring diverse perspectives on the past, other places, cultures, societies and social systems, students broaden their perceptions of current issues and are prepared to shape change for the future. Using inquiry learning and other processes, students are encouraged to understand and critically challenge ideas, in order to make effective and positive contributions to their school and their community.

Study of subjects within the Human and Social Sciences Learning Area expands the learners' knowledge and awareness of their own and other societies, of local and global environments, and of the interdependence between people, their society and their environment. Subject offerings promote knowledge, aptitudes, attitudes and values that lead to involvement in students' local and the global society.

### **Humanities Courses**

Courses at Year 7–10 are designed to meet the current requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Geography, History, Civics & Citizenship and Business & Economics. These subjects are built upon the seven General Capabilities: Literacy, Numeracy, Digital Literacy, Critical and Creative Thinking, Personal and Social capability, Intercultural Understanding, Ethical Understanding.

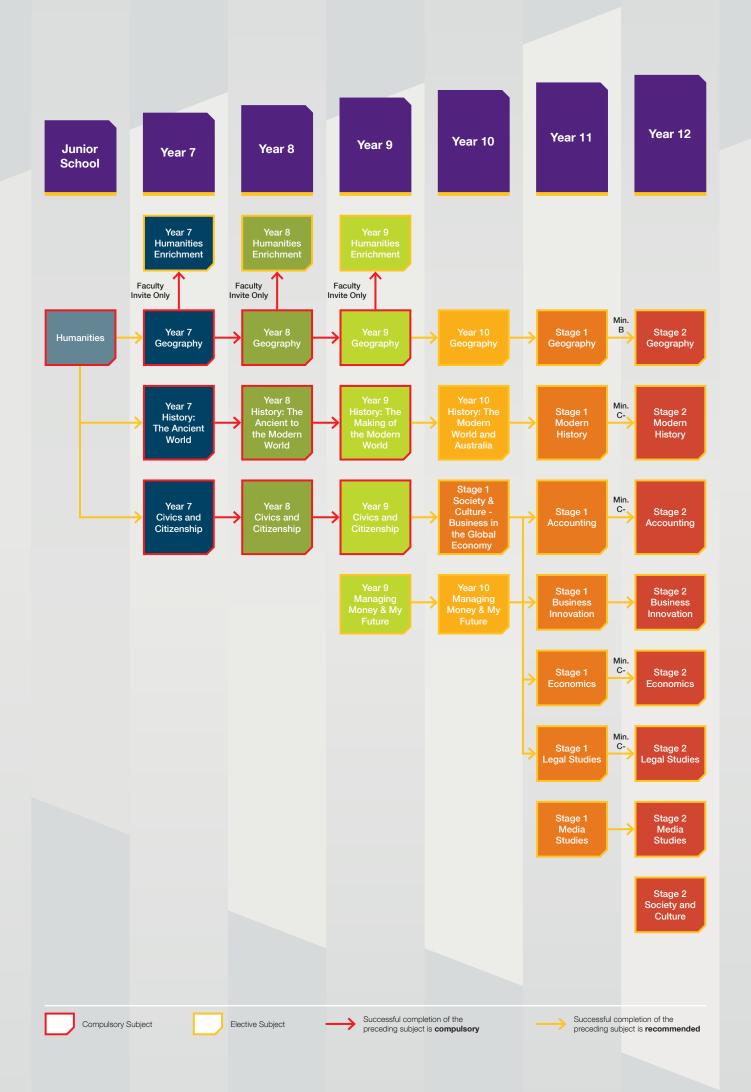
The Cross-curriculum priorities of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures, Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia, and Sustainability ensure that the curriculum adds depth and richness to student learning in the context of a global world.

In Years 7–9, aspects of Civics and Citizenship, and Business and Economics are integrated into History.

Students in Years 7–9 may also be offered the opportunity through faculty invitation to participate in the Humanities Enrichment Program. Refer to 'Advanced Learners at Christian Brothers College' on page 17.

Stage 1 and 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide opportunity for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed by teachers, based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board. Stage 1 courses are constructed in order to prepare students for study in the corresponding Stage 2 subject. Subjects offered at SACE level include: Accounting, Business Innovation, Geography, Economics, Legal Studies, Media Studies, Modern History, and Society & Culture.





### Languages

Language is the human capability that enables us to communicate, learn, think, shape opinions, and cultivate values. Learning a language is learning the communal meanings of a group. Through the study of languages, students develop knowledge, skills and dispositions that enable them to communicate, and to draw comparisons across languages and cultures. In so doing, students extend their appreciation of themselves and their own language, expand their own network of interactions, and strengthen their literacy and numeracy skills. This empowers students to contribute positively and productively as citizens in the linguistically and culturally diverse nation in which they live, and as global citizens. Learning and using language require valuing meaning, coherence, choice, and appropriateness. It also involves the ethical consideration of the power of language and its responsible use. Students cultivate a positive disposition towards seeking the best articulation or expression of thought and feeling, engaging in genuine exchange of meaning, and expanding their personal communicative capability.

### Language Courses

Students can study Italian and Chinese up to Year 12 at CBC or a wide range of languages leading to an ATAR score offline and off campus.

Language Courses from Year 7–9 are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Languages and are built upon the two strands within the learning area.

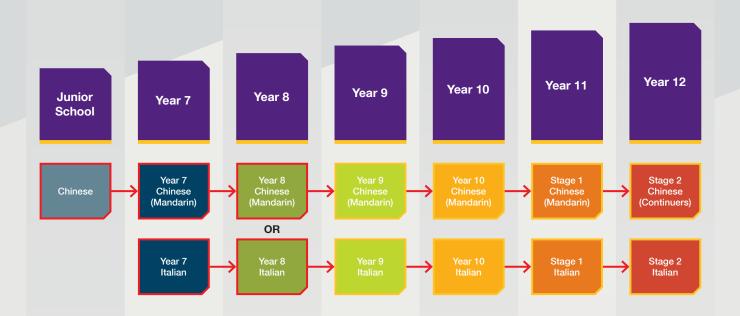
- Communicating using language for communicative purposes in interpreting, creating, and exchanging meaning
- Understanding analysing and understanding language and culture as resources for interpreting and shaping meaning in intercultural exchange.

In Year 10, students may elect to do this subject for one semester or two. At this level students continue more formal study of the structures of languages. Courses are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Languages and prepare students for SACE language course.

Stage 1 and 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide opportunity for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed by the teacher, based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board. Stage 1 courses are constructed to prepare students for study in the corresponding Stage 2 subject.

The Universities Language, Literacy and Mathematics Scheme encourages students to strengthen their preparation for higher studies by studying a language other than English. The scheme applies to most undergraduate courses (There are exceptions).







## **Mathematics and Numeracy**

Mathematics and Numeracy at Christian Brothers College enables students to identify, describe, and investigate the patterns and challenges of everyday living. It helps students to analyse and understand the events that have occurred and to predict and prepare for events to come so they can more fully understand the world and be active participants in it.

Mathematics at Christian Brothers College engages students with a wide range of abilities and learning styles. Flexible approaches to teaching, including formal instruction, group work, peer tutoring and explorations, through directed investigations and the integration of technology, enable students to enrich their understanding and application of mathematics.

Students in Years 7–9 may also be offered the opportunity through faculty invitation to participate in the Mathematics Enrichment Program. Refer to 'Advanced Learners at Christian Brothers College' on page 17.

Enrichment at Year 10 involves students choosing Year 10A Mathematics.

This is a semester course, chosen as an elective, and students are required to successfully pass the course as a prerequisite to undertaking either Stage 1 Mathematical Methods or Specialist Mathematics.

## Mathematics and Numeracy Courses

Courses at Year 10 level are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum. The range of subject offerings within the Mathematics learning area are built on the three strands from the Australian Mathematics Curriculum.

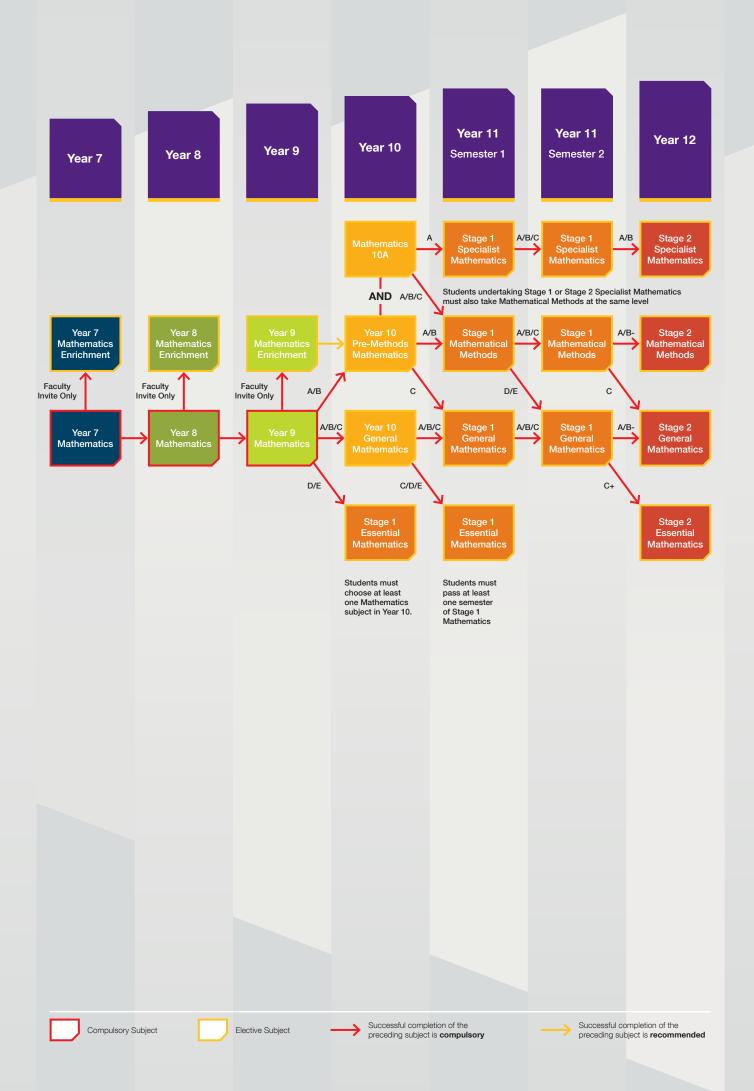
**Statistics and Probability** – examination of methods of displaying, organising and processing information. Students examine trends and make projections from data in a variety of contexts.

**Measurement and Geometry** – study of direct and indirect measures, including aspects of scales, ratios, rates, angles, the exploration, examination and validation of geometric relationships in different ways and in various contexts. Students address mathematical matters in the everyday world.

**Number and Algebra** – investigating and applying numbers in different forms, i.e. fractions, decimals. Recognising and describing mathematical patterns. Using their skills and techniques of algebraic reasoning, students make conjectures based on these mathematical patterns.

Stage 1 and Stage 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE. These courses provide the opportunity for students to earn credits towards the SACE.





## **Religious Education**

At Christian Brothers College, all students engage in Religious Education as a holistic experience. This provides them with an understanding of the Catholic Faith as a living and dynamic Tradition. Their spiritual journey encourages a relationship and awareness of God by providing them with knowledge of the Faith and Liturgical experiences that enhance their awareness of themselves as individuals, their school community and the global world. Social justice and ethical issues as well as analytical interpretation of religious texts, form a basis for this learning area.

## **Religious Education Courses**

All units taught in Religious Education draw from the CESA Crossways Framework from Years 7–9. Religious Education in Year 10 is offered as a Stage 1 (10 credits) SACE subject.

The focus will integrate human values alongside Christian values through a series of texts and Scripture. This course is designed to encourage an awareness of moral and ethical issues and link these to a knowledge of the Catholic Faith as presented in the Crossways framework (CESA).

The Stage 1 course is constructed to prepare students for the corresponding Stage 2 subject in Year 11. The program at Stage 1 (10 credits) fosters ethical thinking skills and promotes in students the life skills to act as responsible and sensitive members of a culturally diverse society.

The program at Stage 2 (10 credits) prepares students for independent research on a social issue of their choice as well as a group task and a reflective task that addresses specific Big Ideas of the course.

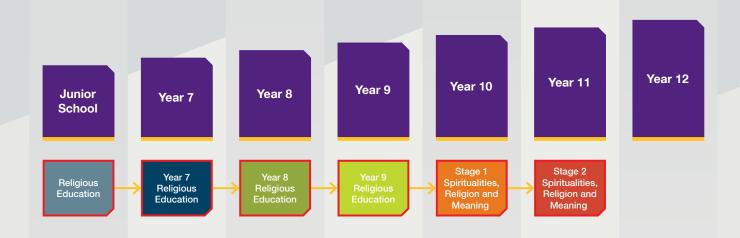
Both Stage 1 and Stage 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide opportunities for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board.

Emphasis is placed on Social Justice from a Catholic perspective through the availability of the Sacraments and Christian Service Learning. The course is divided into topic units over one Semester which enables students to reflect on their experiences as young adolescents and to understand the importance of the Gospel in their life.

All Year 7 and 9 students participate in a one-day Reflection at the end of the year, focusing on their journey into the Middle and Senior Schools, respectively. All Year 10 students participate in Christian Learning Service. Families will be advised of the dates and venues.

Year 11 students participate in an overnight two-day, one-night retreat in Term 3, preparing and reflecting on their journey into their final year of schooling. Year 12 will be offered an overnight threeday and two-night Retreat in Term 2, reflecting on their schooling journey and life beyond CBC.





## **Science**

Science provides a logical method of understanding the physical world that enables people to be questioning, reflective and critical thinkers. People use science to explore and explain their experiences of the universe. The nature and practice of Science builds on traditions of observation and inquiry found in numerous cultures. Viewing experiences, ideas, and phenomena through the lenses of diverse cultural sciences provide a depth of understanding that is not possible from any one cultural perspective.

Science can be described as a collective human activity that uses methods of thinking and working to understand the natural world. Openness to new ideas, intellectual honesty, and critical evaluation of data and arguments are thus fundamentally important to both scientific understanding and working scientifically.

Through the study of Science, students will be expected to reflect on past practices and future opportunities in experimentation and observation. Science subject offerings promote thinking, which is reflective, imaginative, creative, and constructively critical. This is awakened, enriched, and refined as students acquire the ability to participate more fully in society, higher and further education as well as training and employment. Students explore the ever-increasing human activity in the natural environment and the increased threat this poses for both human and physical habitats. Students are encouraged to analyse how these environments can be managed to ensure a sound future for coming generations. By doing this they develop an understanding of the role of individuals and mankind in relation to the issues of ecological sustainability and social justice.

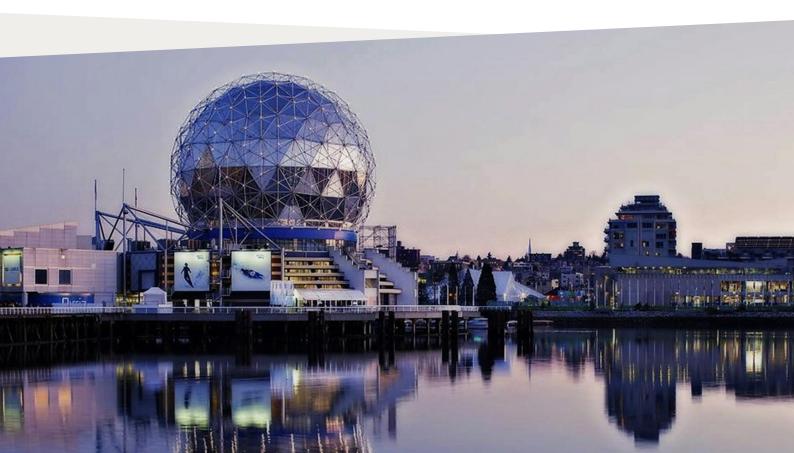
## Science Courses

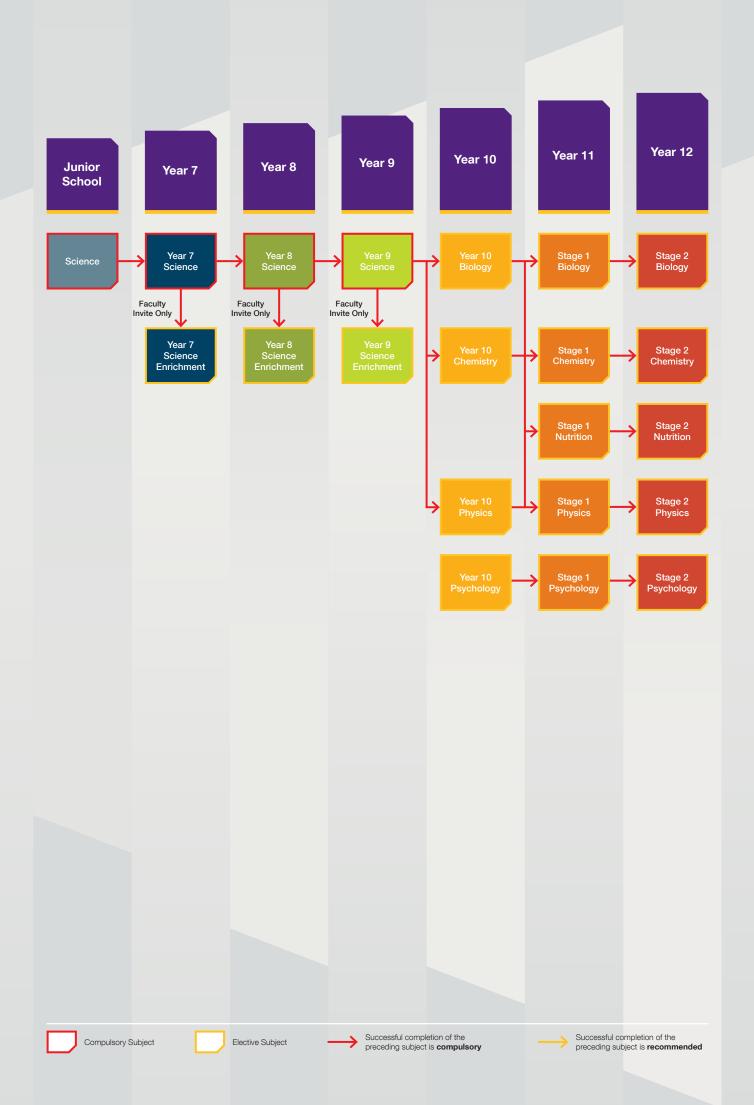
Courses at Years 7–10 level are designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum, which is modelled through three interrelated strands: Science Understanding, Science as a Human Endeavour and Science Inquiry.

Together, the three strands of the Science Curriculum provide students with understanding, knowledge, and skills through which they can develop a scientific view of the world. Students are challenged to explore Science, its concepts, nature, and uses through clearly described inquiry processes.

Science is an important area for everyone, not just those who study it or will study it in the future. Science allows us all to make positive choices regarding our health, local and global environment, and in our everyday lives. Around the world, even today, there are many things to be curious about, that students and sometimes adults pose questions about. However, it is often hard to find answers to these questions. The goal of the Christian Brothers College's Science Curriculum is to fulfil this need by offering a curriculum that is engaging and thoughtful for all to access, whilst also providing opportunities for students to become the driver of their learning. Our Year 7–10 courses are designed to give students this opportunity and lead them towards future study in Science.

Stage 1 and 2 courses are designed to meet the requirements of the SACE Board and provide the opportunity for students to earn credits towards the SACE. Learning and Assessment plans are developed by the teacher, based on specific Assessment Design Criteria as directed by the SACE Board. Stage 1 courses are constructed in order to prepare students for study in the corresponding Stage 2 subject.







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## **Biology**

Length

1 Semester

Biology encompasses the study of living organisms and the vital processes that sustain life. It spans multiple levels, from organic molecules, such as DNA and proteins, to cells, multicellular organisms, and populations of different species.

The Year 10 Biology course covers the Australian Curriculum to explain the processes that underpin heredity and genetic diversity and describe the evidence supporting the theory of evolution by natural selection.

Students will be taught by a specialist Biology teacher with activities and assessments that emphasise and develop the critical science inquiry skills required for Stage 1 Biology in Year 11.

Topics of study over the semester include:

#### **DNA** and Cell Division

- The structure of DNA, genes, and chromosomes.
- The role of meiosis in sexual reproduction and genetic variation of a species.
- The role of mitosis in the growth and maintenance of organisms.

#### **Evolution and Inheritance**

- Different modes of inheritance.
- Identifying and predicting patterns of inheritance.
- The theory of evolution by natural selection.
- Scientific evidence to support the theory of evolution.

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through four tasks that include:

- Science and a Human Endeavour Task (20%)
- Design Practical Investigation (20%)
- Topic 1 Test (30%)
- Topic 2 Test (30%)

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject will prepare students well to study Stage 1 Biology.

## Chemistry

Length

1 Semester

Chemistry encompasses the analysis of atomic matter to determine its structure, properties, and behaviour to determine how atoms and compounds react.

The Year 10 Chemistry course covers the Australian Curriculum to explain the patterns and trends in the periodic table, predict the products of reactions, and understand the effect of changing reactants and reaction conditions.

Students will be taught by a specialist Chemistry teacher with activities and assessments that emphasise and develop the critical science inquiry skills required for Stage 1 Chemistry in Year 11.

Topics of study over the semester include:

#### **Periodic Trends**

- Structure of atoms and their chemical and physical properties.
- The development and organisation of the periodic table.
- Periodic trends based on the characteristics of the elements.

#### **Chemical Reactions**

- Identifying and classifying chemical reactions.
- Writing chemical equations using scientific conventions.
- Investigating factors that impact rates of reaction.

#### Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through four tasks that include:

- Science and a Human Endeavour Task (20%)
- Design Practical Investigation (20%)
- Topic 1 Test (30%)
- Topic 2 Test (30%)

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject will prepare students well to study Stage 1 Chemistry.



## Chinese (Mandarin)

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Year 9 Chinese.
Notes	Students must choose two semesters if perusing SACE Stage 1 and 2 credits

At this level students continue the more formal study of the structures of the Chinese (Mandarin) language. They are exposed to authentic texts of a non-literary type to develop their comprehension and translation skills. The development of listening and speaking skills continues to be emphasised. The topics covered during the course will include:

- School Subjects
  - Transport
- Leisure Activities
- Travelling
- Celebrations
- Descriptions (people)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 1 Chinese (Continuers).

## Design Technology and Engineering

Material Solutions - Metal

Length

1 Semester

Students will extend their practical skills to include the use and welding of metal tubing and solid steel. Students will prepare a design for a practical project which will be of metal and any other contexts timber, plastics or ceramics if desired – within the design constraints prepared by the teacher. Students design and create products that meet a design brief, and develop the knowledge and skills associated with using different processes and production techniques. They combine their designing and creating skills with knowledge and understanding of materials, information, and equipment to make high-quality products for intended purposes. They analyse the impact of technological practices, products, or systems on individuals, society, and/or the environment now, and develop insights into the uses of technology in future contexts.

- Safe workshop practice
- Computer assisted drawing
   Inventor, Google Sketchup
- Gas welding
- Mig and Tig Welding
- Machining
- Materials and Technical processes
- Associated practical and theoretical tasks

### Assessment Requirements

Students have the opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a variety of assessment tasks, both practical and theoretical.

- Specialised Skills Tasks (40%)
- Design Process and Solution (60%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead to Stage 1 Design Technology and Engineering.

## Design Technology and Engineering

Material Solutions - Timber

Length

1 Semester

The course aims to allow students to use a wide range of manufacturing technologies such as tools, machines, equipment, to design and make products with resistant materials. Contexts include metals, plastics, timber composites, ceramics and textiles. Opportunities exist for individual talents and interests to be developed and to extend knowledge and understanding of the world we share. Students design and create products that meet a design brief, and develop the knowledge and skills associated with using different processes and production techniques. They combine their designing and creating skills with knowledge and understanding of materials, information, and equipment to make high-quality products for intended purposes. They analyse the impact of technological practices, products, or systems on individuals, society, and/or the environment now, and develop insights into the uses of technology in future contexts.

- Safe workshop practice
- Computer assisted drawing
   Inventor, Google Sketchup
- Machine woodworking
- Creative woodwork
- Materials and Technical processes
- Associated practical and theoretical tasks

## Assessment Requirements

Students have the opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a variety of assessment tasks, both practical and theoretical.

- Specialised Skills Tasks (40%)
- Design Process and Solution (60%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead to Stage 1 Design Technology and Engineering.



## Design Technology and Engineering

Robotic and Electronic Systems

Length 1 Semester

The course aims to allow students to use a wide range of electrotechnical skills, processes and equipment, to design and make products with appropriate materials. Contexts include electronics and control systems. This focus area involves the use of devices such as electrical, electronic, mechanical, and interface components, including programmable control devices, to design and make systems and control products. Students produce outcomes that demonstrate the knowledge and skills associated with using control systems, processes, and materials such as electronic components, chips, circuitry. Opportunities exist for individual talents and interests to be developed and to extend knowledge and understanding of the world we share.

Students design and create products that meet a design brief, and develop the knowledge and skills associated with using different processes and production techniques. They combine their designing and creating skills with knowledge and understanding of materials, information, and equipment to make high-quality products for intended purposes. They analyse the impact of technological practices, products, or systems on individuals, society, and/or the environment now, and develop insights into the uses of technology in future contexts.

- Safe workshop practice
- Computer assisted drawing
   Inventor, Google Sketchup
   Makerbot 3D printing
- Soldering practice
- Electric circuit simulation and measurement (Circuit Wizard)
- Parts identification and assembly processes
- Associated practical and theoretical tasks

## Assessment Requirements

Students have the opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a variety of assessment tasks, both practical and theoretical.

- Specialised Skills Tasks (40%)
- Design Process and Solution (60%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead to Stage 1 Design Technology and Engineering.

# Digital Technology: Digital Communication Solutions (Stage 1)

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

This SACE Stage 1 course introduces students to the creative and technical skills used in modern digital communication industries. Students choose one of four specialist streams, Game Development, Web Design, Film Production, or Digital Graphics (or one in consultation with the teacher), and build a digital product from concept to completion. The course focuses on project planning, technical skill development, and iterative design processes, preparing students for further study in Stage 2 Digital Communication Solutions or related pathways.

#### **Course Content Covered:**

- Stream Exploration and Planning: Students explore the four available streams and select one based on their interests and goals. They will analyse existing products, define a problem or opportunity, and document their ideas in a proposal.
- Skill Development (Specialised Skill Tasks): Students
  complete two short skill-based projects tailored to their chosen
  stream. These tasks introduce key tools and techniques, such
  as HTML/CSS, Unity basics, Premiere editing, and design
  principles in Photoshop.
- Design and Realisation Process: Students apply their skills to plan, produce, and evaluate a functional digital product.
   This includes developing wireframes, storyboards, mock-ups, or prototypes and refining their work through feedback and testing.
- Ethical, Legal & Sustainable Design: Students will reflect
  on the ethical, legal, and sustainability considerations relevant
  to their chosen stream, such as data privacy, copyright, screen
  time, or media representation.

## **Assessment Requirements**

Students are assessed on both theoretical understanding and practical application of digital tools and processes. They will complete:

- 2x Assessment Type 1: Specialised Skill Tasks Short projects focused on key techniques in the chosen stream
- 1x Assessment Type 2: Design Process and Solution

   A major digital product with documentation of planning, production, and evaluation

Assessment tasks align with SACE Design, Technology, and Engineering subject criteria and are moderated to ensure consistency across student outcomes.

## **Drama (Stage 1)**

Length 1 or 2 Semesters

SACE Credits 20 Credits (10 per semester)

Recommendations Successful completion of one semester of Year 9 Drama

Stage 1 Drama is a 10-credit subject or a 20-credit subject that consists of the following three areas of dramatic study:

- Company and Performance
- Understanding and Responding to Drama
- Drama and Technology.

In Drama, students engage in learning as dramatic artists. The three areas of dramatic study are integrated to provide students with opportunities to learn dramatic conventions and elements, and the dramatic process of conceiving, experimenting, developing, making, presenting, analysing, and evaluating drama.

Students explore, experiment with, and respond to ideas, processes, and viewpoints from a range of drama, which may include texts, innovators, styles, and professional productions. They interpret drama for its meanings, and develop dramatic language skills to identify and analyse dramatic conventions, styles, contexts, skills, and choices.

Students learn and apply creative and analytical skills to produce their own dramatic outcomes, individually and in collaboration. They analyse and evaluate professional dramatic works and draw links between these and the development of their own practice. Students develop their understanding of drama, their thinking as artists, and their skills as practitioners in one or more dramatic roles.

## Assessment Requirements

Performing, Responding to Drama, Creative Synthesis



## **English**

Length

Full Year

## Term 1

**The Art of Persuasion** – This unit of work explores persuasive devices and strategies used by a variety of text producers. The specific focus content is shaped by topical events. Students will consolidate, and build knowledge on, the various persuasive techniques used by authors with consideration of context, audience and purpose.

## Assessment Requirements (Term 1)

**Common Assessment Task:** A formal persuasive essay where student employ a variety of devices to position audiences toward their view on a topic of choice.

Folio of class-based assessment tasks: A combination of various written, verbal and multimodal creative and receptive pieces

### Term 2

**Disturbing the Natural Order** – The course examines and analyses the concept of 'Disturbing the Natural Order' in a range of literary texts, of which the class to unpack together. Students will read a class novel that explores this concept and are required to produce their own texts that demonstrate understanding of the concept.

#### Assessment Requirements (Term 2)

**Common Assessment Task:** Students formally discuss how the natural order of the class text is disturbed.

Folio of class-based assessment tasks: A combination of various written, verbal and multimodal creative and receptive pieces

## **End of Semester Examination**

## Term 3

**Writing Comparatively** – This topic equips students with the basic comparative writing skills necessary for success in Stage 1 and 2 SACE courses. Students will compare short texts of various mediums, and will also be given the autonomy to pair a visual text of their choice with a prescribed prose text, whereby they pose their own analytical question and respond to it in a manner that emulates the major assessment tasks in the SACE.

#### Assessment Requirements (Term 3)

**Common Assessment Task:** A comparative essay that compares the shared prose text to an individually chosen film text.

Folio of class-based assessment tasks: A combination of various written, verbal and multimodal creative and receptive pieces

#### Term 4

**Expressing Ideas through Poetry** – Students examine the 'how' aspects of poetry, and the ways in which authors communicate a message through this text-type. Students will engage with various form of poetry that cover a range of topics, and will be challenged to apply these poetry analysis and creation skills in various modes.

## Assessment Requirements (Term 4)

Common Assessment Task: Students complete and submit a folio of written, verbal and multimodal creative and receptive pieces

End of Semester Examination.

## **Exploring Identities and Futures** (Stage 1)

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

Exploring Identities and Futures (EIF) supports students to explore their aspirations. They are given the space and opportunity to extend their thinking beyond what they want to do, to also consider who they want to be in the future. The subject supports students to learn more about themselves, their place in the world, and enables them to explore and deepen their sense of belonging, identity, and connections to the world around them.

EIF prepares students for their SACE journey and the knowledge, skills, and capabilities required to be thriving learners. As an introduction to the SACE, students will be empowered to take ownership of where their pathway leads, exploring interests, work, travel and/or further learning.

EIF represents a shift away from viewing students as participants in learning, to empowered co-designers of their own learning. Students will be responsible for exploring learning opportunities, exercising their agency, and building connections with others.

## Assessment Requirements

- Assessment Type 1: Exploring me and who I want to be
- Assessment Type 2: Taking action and showcasing my capabilities

## **Food and Hospitality**

Length

1 Semester

This course is designed to provide students with a foundational understanding of nutrition, while further developing their practical food preparation skills and food technology knowledge. The subject places a strong emphasis on life skills that students can apply beyond the classroom. Key learning areas include accurate weighing and measuring techniques, basic food safety and hygiene, and the ability to cost and budget recipes effectively. Students will engage in hands-on cooking activities to reinforce their learning, explore the role of food in health and wellbeing, and develop the ability to plan, prepare, and evaluate meals with nutritional intent and practical application in mind. The course is ideal for students looking to build confidence in the kitchen while understanding how informed food choices can support a healthy lifestyle.



## **Assessment Requirements**

## Assessment design:

#### 1. Action Plan/ Research task

- Format: Written (up to 400 words), oral presentation (up to 3 minutes), or equivalent in multimodal form
- Focus: Students will create a plan outlining their approach to a practical task, including goals, strategies, and resources required.

### 2. Evaluation Report

- Format: Written (up to 400 words), oral presentation (up to 3 minutes), or equivalent in multimodal form
- Focus: A reflection and analysis of their completed practical work, evaluating processes, challenges, and outcomes in relation to their initial action plan.

## 3. Practical Application

 Focus: Students will demonstrate their food preparation skills in a practical task, applying their knowledge of nutrition, measurement, and cost-efficiency.

## Geography

Length

1 Semester

This single semester course is divided into two units:

## 1. Environmental Change and Management

The unit provides the opportunity for students to use their geographical thinking, skills and technological tools to examine some environmental challenges that will affect their future lives, and to find out how geography contributes to the understanding and management of these challenges. Among the issues to consider include: Land Degradation, Climate Change, River Basins and Deforestation. Field trips to Brownhill Creek and the Torrens River will enhance student learning in this topic.

### 2. Geographies of human well-being

This unit focuses on the nature of human wellbeing and how can it be measured. Spatial characteristics of wellbeing and the factors that influence it, and the inequalities that exist at a variety of scales, are used to investigate programs employed to address issues relating to wellbeing around the world.

Civics and Citizenship, and Business and Economics are embedded in this course.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment is divided into Skills & Application (70%) and Fieldwork (30%).

Students have the opportunity to demonstrate their geographical knowledge and skills through a variety of assessment tasks including tests, essays, research assignments and oral presentations.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 1 Geography.

## **Health and Physical Education**

Length Full Year

## Strand A: Physical Education

Students use critical inquiry skills to research and analyse knowledge and to understand the influences on their own and others' health, safety, wellbeing and physical activity participation.

They also develop resilience and empathy to be actively engaged in their own and others' wellbeing, using health, safety and physical activity resources for the benefit of themselves and their communities

Students in this strand will investigate influences on physical performance, both individually and as a team. Understanding of various physiological and biophysical domains will be integrated into a practical setting to reinforce theoretical concepts. This strand will serve as a way of preparing students for the concepts taught in Stage 1 Physical Education.

Year 10 HPE is designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Health and Physical Education, and is built upon the two strands within the learning area: 'personal, social and community health' and 'movement and physical activity'.

## **Integrated Assessment Tasks**

- Skill Acquisition
- Energy Systems
- Group Dynamics
- Training Principles
- Biomechanics

## Strand B: Sport and Recreation

Students use critical inquiry skills to research and analyse knowledge and to understand the influences on their own and others' health, safety, wellbeing and physical activity participation.

They also develop resilience and empathy to be actively engaged in their own and others' wellbeing, using health, safety and physical activity resources for the benefit of themselves and their communities.

Sport and Recreation focuses on alternate physical activities and the benefits of lifelong physical literacy. Students learn mainly through physical activity in a way that promotes immediate as well as long-term benefits to themselves and society. This strand emphasises the health benefits of physical activity and allows students to explore movement patterns across a range of alternative physical pursuits.

Year 10 HPE is designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Health and Physical Education, and is built upon the two strands within the learning area: 'personal, social and community health' and 'movement and physical activity'.

### Integrated Assessment Tasks

- Self-defence and Safety (Self Defence)
- Long-term benefits of Physical Activity (Lawn Bowls/Golf)
- Skill Acquisition- Alternative Activity (Mindfulness, Yoga, Pilates)
- Outdoor Activities (Orienteering/First Aid)

## Health and Physical Education (Soccer)

Length	Full Year
Notes	Faculty Invite Only

Students use critical inquiry skills to research and analyse knowledge and to understand the influences on their own and others' health, safety, wellbeing and physical activity participation in soccer.

Year 10 HPE soccer is designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Health and Physical Education, and is built upon the two strands within the learning area: 'personal, social and community health' and 'movement and physical activity'.

Students in this strand will investigate influences on physical performance, both individually and as a team. Understanding of various physiological and biophysical domains will be integrated into a practical setting to reinforce theoretical concepts. This strand will serve as a way of preparing students for the concepts taught in Stage 1 Integrated Learning (Soccer).

## **Theory and Contextual Application**

Concepts covered course could be focused around modules inclusive of:

- Personal Development Individual Player Plan (IPP) Assignment
- Risk Taking Behaviours Assignment
- Contemporary Issues Assignment
- Practical Observations Teacher and Self Reflection
- Team Dynamics Task and Individual Performance Evaluation

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- Tottenham Hotspur Coach
- Kit
- Excursions
- 7-a-side tournaments
- Futsal and Football Competitions

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment is divided into 70% Practical and 30% Theory. Students demonstrate their learning through involvement in practical lessons and theoretical components related to soccer

## History: The Modern World and Australia

Length

1 Semester

The Year 10 curriculum provides a study of the history of the modern world and Australia from 1918 to the present, with an emphasis on Australia in its global context. The twentieth century became a critical period in Australia's social, cultural, economic and political development. The transformation of the modern world during a time of political turmoil, global conflict and international cooperation provides a necessary context for understanding Australia's development, its place within the Asia-Pacific region, and its global standing.

The content provides opportunities to develop historical understanding through key concepts, including evidence, continuity and change, cause and effect, perspectives, empathy, significance and contestability. These concepts may be investigated within a particular historical context to facilitate an understanding of the past and to provide a focus for historical inquiries.

The course is divided into an Overview and three Depth Studies which include:

- 1. World War 2
- 2. Rights and Freedoms
- 3. The globalising World

Students' historical knowledge, understanding and skills is provided by inquiry questions through the use and interpretation of sources. The key inquiry questions at this year level are:

- 1. How did the nature of global conflict change during the twentieth century?
- 2. What were the consequences of World War II? How did these consequences shape the modern world?
- 3. How was Australian society affected by other significant global events and changes in this period?

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment is divided into Folio (60%) and Investigations (40%).

Students have an opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a variety of assessment tasks including source analysis, creative writing, short answer tests and research essays.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 1 History.

## **Italian**

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Year 9 Italian.
Notes	Students must choose two semesters if perusing SACE Stage 1 and 2 credits

At this level students continue the more formal study of the structures of the Italian language. They are exposed to authentic texts of a non-literary type to develop their comprehension and translation skills. The development of listening and speaking skills continues to be emphasised. The topics to be covered during course will include:

- Revision
- Reflexive verbs and Daily Routines
- Present Perfect Tense and Holiday/Leisure Activities
- Italian Tourism
- Imperfect Tense and Retelling Past Memory
- Italian Television
- Future Tense and Horoscopes

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 1 Italian (Continuers).

## **Managing Money and My Future**

Length

1 Semester

A semester-long Financial Literature Course to expand on students' knowledge of everyday scenarios they may face. This will provide them with the skills to make confident and informed decisions in the ever-changing world.

#### Topic 1: Tax, Super and You

Students will learn about the importance of Tax and Superannuation in their lives especially if some are starting a part-time job. They will be asked to make a creative project that highlights the topic of *Your First Job - what you need to know about tax and super.* This will be a fun and engaging way to inform teenagers in a similar situation to them of the importance of understanding tax and super.

#### Topic 2: My Future Life

Students will investigate their 'dream future' life through the decades with a focus on one period. They will investigate the costs of living in today's terms through a range of different areas. This will include career choices, buying your first house, budgeting for the weekly shop and the reality of how much super will be needed to retire. Students will create a vision board, research a range of evidence and create a budget.

## Topic 3: Financial Hardship

Students will explore the term 'debt' to analyse the difference between what is good, ok, and bad debt in an everyday situation. With the ever-exhausting methods of payments today, it is important that students understand each method and their implications on their future lives. Students will be asked to write a magazine article for 'Young Money' advising the differences between debt and top tips for safeguarding their financial future.

## Assessment Requirements

Students demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the content through a summative assessment for each of the topics covered.

## **Essential Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
	This mathematics subject has been designed for students who do not intend on studying Mathematics beyond this year.
Recommendations	Students should only enrol in this subject if they found mathematics challenging in Year 9 or, in consultation with their teacher, have been recommended.

Year 10 Essential Mathematics is designed for students who are seeking to meet the SACE numeracy requirement, and students who are planning to pursue a career in a range of trades or vocational pathways. There is an emphasis on extending students' mathematical skills in ways that apply to practical problem-solving in everyday and workplace contexts, in flexible and resourceful ways.

The Year 10 Essential Maths course is a FULL Year course design to cover the Stage 1 Essential Mathematics semester course over a longer period ensuring that students meet the SACE Stage 1 10 credit Numeracy criteria.

Students that undertake and pass this subject will NOT continue with mathematics at Stage 1.

Topic 4: Data in context

■ Topic 6: Open topic

Topic 5: Measurement

Essential Mathematics consists of the following topics:

- Topic 1: Calculations, time, and ratio
- Topic 2: Earning and spending
- Topic 3: Geometry
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## Assessment Requirements

Students are assessed on each topic and have a total of four assessments through a variety of means, not limited to Skills and Application Tasks, and Folio Tasks. These four assessments contribute to the Stage 1 Numeracy 10 Credits. The Skills and Applications Tasks involve both questions with and without the use of technology. There is no end of semester examination in this course as there is no continuing pathway. Student work is assessed against performance criteria.

## **General Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
Prerequisites	Year 9 Mathematics C grade or better.

This course is based on a modified ACARA Year 10 Mathematics course. It is meant for students that do NOT want to take their Mathematics to a university level but still would like a Mathematics pathway through Stage 1 (Year 11) and Stage 2 (Year 12). This year-long course leads onto Stage 1 and Stage 2 General Mathematics. Students who received a 'C' grade or better have this choice available.

The proficiency strands understanding, fluency, problem-solving and reasoning are an integral part of mathematics content across the three content strands: Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability. The proficiencies reinforce the significance of working mathematically within the content and describe how the content is explored or developed. They provide the language to build in the developmental aspects of the learning of mathematics.

The topics in this course are similar to those found in Year 10 Pre-Methods however they are not covered to the same depth.

## **Number and Algebra**

- Money and Financial Mathematics
- Patterns and Algebra
- Linear and Non-Linear Relationships

## **Measurement and Geometry**

- Using Units of Measurement
- Geometric Reasoning
- Pythagoras and Trigonometry

## **Statistics and Probability**

- Chance
- Data Representation and Interpretation

## Assessment Requirements

Students are assessed throughout the semester with different styles of tasks including Skills and Assessment Tasks and Investigations. Tasks are created to be completed with and without technology.

Year 10 General Mathematics will prepare students for Stage 1 Essential Mathematics, or Stage 1 General Mathematics. This course DOES NOT lead onto Stage 1 Methods or Stage 1 Specialists. To continue onto the Stage 1 General Mathematics course students are expected to achieve a high C or better. Students not meeting this expectation are required to enrol in the Essential Mathematics Course.



## **Mathematics 10A**

Length	1 Semester
Prerequisites	Students must achieve a minimum of a B grade in Year 9 Mathematics.
Recommendations	Students must undertake this elective if they have ambitions of attempting Stage 1 Mathematical Methods or Specialist Mathematics.

The Mathematics 10A content is intended for students who require additional content to enrich and extend their mathematical study whilst completing the common Year 10 curriculum. It is not anticipated that all students will attempt the 10A content, but doing so would be advantageous for those intending to pursue Mathematical Methods or Specialist Mathematics in the senior secondary years.

This course has much rigor and is suited for students who enjoy mathematics and have significant strength in logical thinking and numeracy skills.

This course covers the following topics:

#### **Number and Algebra**

- Surds
- Logarithms
- Algebra of polynomials
- Exponential, hyperbolic, circular functions and their features
- Monic and non-monic quadratic expressions

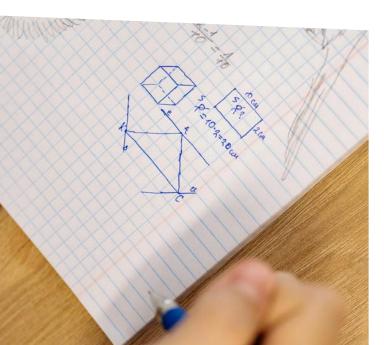
### **Measurement and Geometry**

- Geometric reasoning chords, segments, deductive reasoning
- The unit Circle

## **Statistics and Probability**

- Chance
- Data Representation and Interpretation

Completing this elective course with a C+ grade or better leads onto Stage 1 Mathematical Methods and Stage 1 Specialist Mathematics.. Failure to successfully complete this course will lead on to Stage 1 General Mathematics.



## **Pre-Methods Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
Prerequisites	Students must achieve a minimum of a B grade in Year 9 Mathematics.

Year 10 Pre-Methods Mathematics provides the foundation for further study in mathematics in Stage 1 Mathematical Methods and Stage 1 Specialist Mathematics.

This course has much rigor and is suited for students who enjoy mathematics and have significant strength in logical thinking and numeracy skills.

This course covers the following topics:

## Number and Algebra

- Real numbers
- Logarithms
- Algebra of polynomials
- Linear, exponential, hyperbolic, circular functions and their features
- Monic and non-monic quadratic expressions

## **Measurement and Geometry**

- Area and volume of pyramids, cones, spheres, and complex solids
- Surface area
- Geometric reasoning chords, segments, deductive reasoning

## **Pythagoras and Trigonometry**

- Sine, Cosine, Tangent relationships
- The unit circle
- Periodic motion and symmetry within problem solving
- 3-dimensional analysis using Pythagorean geometry
- Trigonometric problem solving

## Data representation and Interpretation

- Analysing data sets
- Calculating measures of dispersions and central tendencies (Standard deviations)
- Investigating bivariate numerical data sets
- Investigating different techniques for finding a 'line of best fit'

Each semester course is assessed by written topic assessments, a directed Investigation, and semester examination. Completing this course with a minimum 'B-' standard or better leads onto Stage 1 Mathematical Methods and Stage 1 Specialist Mathematics, in conjunction with successful completion of the Mathematics 10A elective. Completing this course with a 'C' standard or better leads onto Stage 1 General Mathematics. Failure to successfully complete this course will lead on to Stage 1 Essential Mathematics.

## **Music Experience (Stage 1)**

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Recommendations	Successful completion of one semester of Year 9 Music

Stage 1 Music is a 10 credit subject or a 20 credit subject.

A diverse range of music programs may be designed to cater for student interests, backgrounds, and possible future studies in Music.

Students are able to enrol in Stage 1 Music Experience and Stage 1 Music Advanced. These programs should be planned to encourage the sequential development of musical knowledge, understanding, and skills.

Music Experience programs are designed for students with emerging musical skills and provide opportunities for students to develop their musical understanding and skills in creating and responding to music. Music Experience programs provide pathways to Stage 2 Music Performance — Ensemble, Music Performance — Solo, and/or Music Explorations.

Music Advanced programs are designed to extend students' existing musical understanding and skills in creating and responding to music. They provide pathways to Stage 2 Music Studies, Music Performance — Ensemble, Music Performance — Solo, and/or Music Explorations.

Music Experience and Music Advanced programs may be taught concurrently to accommodate the range of musical experience across the student cohort.

The subject consists of the following strands:

- Understanding music
- Creating music
- Responding to music

The strands are interconnected and are not intended to be taught independently. Students develop an understanding of the elements of music and apply this understanding to create their own music as performances, arrangements, or compositions. They develop their musical literacy through responding to and reflecting on their own and others' musical works.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based.

Students demonstrate evidence of their learning through the following assessment types:

- Creative Works performances, compositions and arrangements
- Music Literacy analysis of music styles and reflection on own creative works

## **Physics**

Length 1 Semester

Physics encompasses the study of matter and how it is impacted by natural forces to predict the motion and behaviour of objects in space over time.

The Year 10 Physics course covers the Australian Curriculum to explain how Newton's laws describe motion and apply them to predict the motion of objects in a system. Students also study the origin and evolution of the universe and describe evidence for the Big Bang theory.

Students will be taught by a specialist Physics teacher with activities and assessments that emphasise and develop the critical science inquiry skills required for Stage 1 Physics in Year 11.

Topics of study over the semester include:

#### Motion, Forces, and Energy

- The difference between vectors and scalars.
- Representing motion using equations and graphs regarding distance, displacement, speed, velocity, and acceleration.
- Different types of forces and Newton's three laws of motion.
- Different forms of energy and the conservation of energy.

#### The Universe

- Describe the structure of the universe in terms of galaxies and celestial bodies.
- The characteristics of stars, including their life cycles and energetic processes.
- The role of gravity in the formation of stars and galaxies.
- Explain how the Big Bang theory explains the expansion of the universe and describe supporting scientific evidence for this theory.

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through four tasks that include:

- Science and a Human Endeavour Task (20%)
- Design Practical Investigation (20%)
- Topic 1 Test (30%)
- Topic 2 Test (30%)

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject will prepare students well to study Stage 1 Physics.

## **Psychology**

Length

1 Semester

Psychology aims to understand both the universal and diverse aspects of human experience, with the goal of enhancing wellbeing at individual, group, and societal levels. Through ethical research and intervention, it offers tools for positive change—while recognising that all interventions carry potential risks. In the Year 10 course, students are introduced to foundational theories of social development and behaviour, alongside the critical role of ethics in psychological research.

Students will be taught by a specialist Psychology teacher with activities and assessments that emphasise and develop the critical science inquiry skills required for Stage 1 Psychology in Year 11.

#### Learning and Behaviour

- Classical Conditioning
- Operant Conditioning
- Social Learning Theory

#### **Social Cognition**

- Structure of attitudes and social roles
- Research methods with a focus on ethics, with investigation of experimental case studies

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through four tasks that include:

- Creating New Habits through Learning Assignment (30%)
- Learning and Behaviour Test (10%)
- Ethical evaluation of a Psychological Investigation (30%)
- Stanford Prison Attitude Analysis (30%)

Assessment of this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject will prepare students well to study Stage 1 Psychology.

## Society and Culture - Business in the Global Economy

Length

1 Semester

This one semester, compulsory subject is a SACE Stage 1 10 credit course. It is a multidisciplinary subject enabling students to develop a range of capabilities related to business and the increasing complexity of the global environment.

This subject provides students with the opportunity to develop skills, knowledge and understanding of the role of business in Australia. Students will consider the political, economic, social, technological, environmental, and legal influences (PESTEL) on business in both the local and global contexts. Small and medium enterprises are a focus of study and investigation. The course also considers global and political responses to current issues such as climate change and risks and opportunities with technological development.

Through a contemporary case study approach, critical thinking and analysis, synthesis and evaluation will be developed. Communication, collaboration, problem solving and cultural awareness are also a focus for development of skills, values and attitudes necessary to be imaginative and entrepreneurial global citizens.

## **Assessment Requirements**

Students have an opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a variety of assessment tasks:

- Sources Analysis Tasks (40%)
- Social Enterprise Project (30%)
- Investigation (30%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 1 or Stage 2 Economics, Business Innovation, Legal Studies, or Stage 2 Society & Culture.

## Spiritualities, Religion and Meaning (Stage 1)

Length	1	1 Semester
SACE	Credits	10 Credits

At Stage 1, students develop and demonstrate their understanding of the influence of spiritual and/or religious perspectives on a local, national, or global community, by engaging with one or more images, artefacts, texts, documentaries, or feature films. They collaborate with others to develop, apply, and reflect on their understanding of some spiritual and/or religious principles that underpin social-justice actions within the school or broader community; and they investigate a contemporary issue linked to one of the big ideas.

In this subject, teachers and students use one or more 'big ideas' to frame inquiry questions; to explore issues, concepts, and ideas; and to reflect on personal and shared meaning within one or more spiritualities and/or religions.

The following six big ideas frame learning in this subject by inviting inquiry into religious and/or spiritual perspectives in context.

### Big ideas

- Growth, belonging, and flourishing
- Community, justice and diversity
- Story, visions and futures
- Spiritualities, religions, and ultimate questions
- Life, the universe and integral ecology
- Evil and suffering

## Assessment Requirements

Students provide evidence of their learning through both school-based assessments.

#### School-Based:

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based. The following Assessment Types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 1 Religion:

- Assessment Type 1: Representations
- Assessment Type 2: Connections
- Assessment Type 3: Issues Investigation.

## **Sport and Recreation**

Length

Full Year

Students use critical inquiry skills to research and analyse knowledge and to understand the influences on their own and others' health, safety, wellbeing and physical activity participation.

They also develop resilience and empathy to be actively engaged in their own and others' wellbeing, using health, safety and physical activity resources for the benefit of themselves and their communities.

Sport and Recreation focuses on alternate physical activities and the benefits of lifelong physical literacy. Students learn mainly through physical activity in a way that promotes immediate as well as long-term benefits to themselves and society. This strand emphasises the health benefits of physical activity and allows students to explore movement patterns across a range of alternative physical pursuits.

Year 10 HPE is designed to meet the requirements of the Australian Curriculum for Health and Physical Education, and is built upon the two strands within the learning area: 'personal, social and community health' and 'movement and physical activity'.

## **Integrated Assessment Tasks:**

- Self-defence and Safety (Self Defence)
- Long-term benefits of Physical Activity (Lawn Bowls/Golf)
- Skill Acquisition- Alternative Activity (Mindfulness, Yoga, Pilates)
- Outdoor Activities (Orienteering/First Aid)

## Visual Arts - Art

Length

1 Semester

Topics covered in Semester 1 include:

**Drawing** – Students will learn or develop their skills in basic drawing activities. They will learn observational techniques as well as developing an understanding of tonal values, light and shade and perspective. Students will be able to create their own works of art using the knowledge and skills they have gained.

Painting – Students will learn about contemporary art movements such as Pop Art, Abstract Art and Expressionism to create works of art

**Experimental Art** – Students will experiment with a variety of mediums such as Pen and Ink, Print Making and digital technology to create personal and unique works of art.

**Gallery Visits** – Students will have the opportunity to visit a selection of local galleries, immersing themselves in the world of creative fine art and study the works of local and international artists.

Topics covered in Semester 2 include:

**Painting** – Students will have the opportunity to study the works of local, indigenous and Asian artists and reflect on the contribution of artists on our lives. Students will be able to analyse the art, study mediums used and produce art works in the style of the artist observed.

**Sculpture** – Students will visit various galleries to study and analyse the sculptural work of various artists. They will then create a work of art in their own style using the knowledge gained in their research.

**Surrealism** – Students will study the movement known as Surrealism and analyse its effect on popular culture. They will then create a functional everyday item that is totally surreal.

**Gallery Visits** – In Semester 2, students will have further opportunities to visit local galleries as part of their Visual Studies requirements. This will prepare them for more advanced studies in Year 11 and 12.

## **Assessment Requirements**

Students have the opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a variety of assessment tasks including theoretical and practical tasks. Students are assessed on their folio work and the completion of their practical assignments.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study of Stage 1 Creative Arts, Stage 1 Visual Arts – Art or Stage 1 Visual Arts – Design.

## Visual Arts - Design

Length

1 Semester

Topics covered in Semester 1 include:

**Illustration** – Students will learn skills in a variety of mediums to create images that can be used to promote visual graphic solutions to design problems.

**Drawing** – Students will develop their skill in rapid visualisation using a variety of traditional mediums both in and out of the art centre.

**Airbrush** – Students will have the opportunity to learn to use the airbrush tool to create science fantasy landscapes and mechanical paintings.

Topics covered in Semester 2 include:

**Architecture** – Students will learn and develop skills in problem solving as they work through interesting and challenging briefs pertaining to the built environment. Students will also create models of their solutions.

**Packaging** – Students will study the relevance and importance of packaging in industry. They will have the opportunity to create a complete packaging solution to a relevant moral dilemma while studying the design works of Japan.

**Fashion** – Students will study fashion trends particularly pertaining to pop culture both locally and internationally. They will learn a variety of fashion drawing skills and create items of fashion that is relevant to them.

## Assessment Requirements

Students have the opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a variety of assessment tasks including theoretical and practical tasks. Students are assessed on their folio work and the completion of their practical assignments.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study of Stage 1 Creative Arts, Stage 1 Visual Arts – Art or Stage 1 Visual Arts – Design.

## Visual Arts - Digital Art

Length

Recommendations

1 Semester

This course will carry on from the Year 9 subject and it is recommended that students complete the Year 9 component before attempting this in Year 10.

Students may elect to do this subject for one semester or two. Content will not be repeated from one semester to the other.

**Photography** – Students will be introduced to traditional photography and quickly move to digital imaging. They will learn about the art of photography and the use of photographic manipulation through Photoshop to create new and exciting images. The outcome of their endeavours will form part of an exhibition to promote photography as an art form.

**Print Making** – Students will work with theme of portraiture and create a print based on the work of Andy Warhol. Portraiture will be the focus of a visit to the Art Gallery of South Australia.

**Film and Animation** – Students will have the opportunity to explore the creative world of film and animation and learn techniques such as green screen technology. They will explore and create animation using a variety of basic techniques and digital technologies. Sound, timing and editing will also be explored.

### Assessment Requirements

- Maintaining a Visual Diary
- Practical use of skills, techniques and processes
- Analysing and interpreting visual artworks (theory)



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## **Accounting**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Recommendations	Successful completion of a Year 10 Business subject

Stage 1 Accounting is structured around three focus areas, two of which must be studied in any one semester:

- Understanding accounting
- Understanding financial sustainability
- Perspectives in accounting

These focus areas are underpinned by the following learning strands:

- Financial literacy
- Stakeholder information and decision-making
- Innovation

These strands outline the knowledge, skills, understandings and capabilities fundamental to the learning in the subject.

Students develop their understanding of accounting including selected concepts and conventions that underpin and inform the practice of accounting. They apply this understanding to create accounting information and understand its role in decision-making for a range of internal and external stakeholders. Students explore and analyse the ways in which qualitative and quantitative information can be used in the decision-making process and the different reporting needs of a range of stakeholders.

Students develop an understanding of how accounting applies to and impacts their personal circumstances. They consider both their present situations and likely future scenarios when analysing personal financial management tools; exploring their own information needs; and evaluating the impact of globalisation on their personal contexts. Students explore the links between self and others in the local and global accounting contexts and compare and contrast approaches to accounting in different cultural contexts. Students look beyond their own context to examine society's changing perception of accounting and how accounting information has evolved to better meet the needs of stakeholders.

Students develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills to devise accounting solutions in a range of familiar and unfamiliar contexts. They apply communication and collaboration skills to collect and analyse financial and non-financial information for a range of stakeholders.

#### **Assessment Requirements**

Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within the following Assessment Types:

- Assessment Type 1 Accounting Skills
- Assessment Type 2 Accounting Inquiry

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Students must receive a C- or above grade in the overall assessment requirements and the exam to be eligible for selecting this as a Stage 2 Subject.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Accounting.

## Activating Identities and Futures (Stage 2)

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

Activating Identities and Futures engages students to take greater ownership and agency over their learning as they select relevant strategies to explore, create and/or plan to progress an area of personal interest towards a learning output. Students develop the skills to 'learn how to learn' and strategies to 'know what to do when you don't know what to do'.

Students explore ideas related to an area of personal interest through a process of self-directed inquiry. They draw on knowledge, skills and capabilities developed throughout their education that they can apply in this new context and select relevant strategies to progress the learning to a resolution.

## Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

Portfolio (35%)

Progress Checks (35%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Appraisal (30%)

## **Biology**

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)

Stage 1 Biology encompasses the study of living organisms, their diversity, structure, and function, and how they interact with each other within an environment. Students investigate biological systems at a cellular, multicellular, and ecosystem level from the perspectives of energy, regulation, structure, and function, responses to change, and interactions with the environment.

The subject includes four topics, two of which are studied each semester.

Topics of study in the first semester include:

## Cells and Microorganisms

- The cell theory, the use of energy within cells, and the processes of cell division
- The structure and function of cells and how they exchange materials with their environment
- Types of microorganisms and conditions that influence their growth
- The use of microorganisms by humans

#### **Multicellular Organisms**

- The hierarchy of organisation in a multicellular organism
- The structure and function of the human respiratory, digestive, and circulatory systems with a focus on the exchange of substances

Topics of study in the second semester include:

#### Infectious Disease

- Infectious and non-infectious diseases
- Pathogenicity and the structure and function of the immune system
- The impact and management of infectious diseases in society

## **Biodiversity and Ecosystems**

- Biodiversity, classification, and adaptations of organisms
- The transfer of energy and recycling of nutrients within an ecosystem
- The role of ecological niches, and the process of succession
- Human impacts on ecosystems and biodiversity

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Investigations Folio (40%)
- Skills and Applications Tasks (60%)

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Biology.

## **Business Innovation**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)

Business Innovation at Stage 1 is intended to develop students' knowledge, skills, and understanding to engage in business contexts in the modern world. In a time in which design-led companies outperform other companies, students are immersed in the process of finding and solving customer problems or needs through design thinking and using assumption-based planning tools.

Integral to learning through finding and solving complex, dynamic, real world problems is the opportunity for students to work collaboratively. Working together students are encouraged to develop ideas. They collect and analyse financial and business information that informs the process of proposing, developing and testing solutions. In doing so, students develop and extend their financial awareness and skills in decision-making. Students apply these skills in the development of business models for start-up and existing businesses, analysing data to inform decision-making process, and communicating with a range of stakeholders.

Students consider the opportunities and challenges associated with start-up and existing businesses in the modern, connected world. They consider how digital and emerging technologies may present opportunities to enhance business models and analyse the responsibilities and impact of proposed business models on global and local communities.

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through four tasks within specific Assessment Types:

- Assessment Type 1 (70%): Business Skills three tasks, including one business model summary
- Assessment Type 2 (30%): Business Pitch one task

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Business & Innovation at Stage 2.

## Chemistry

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

In their study of Stage 1 Chemistry, students develop and extend their understanding of how the physical world is chemically constructed, the interaction between human activities and the environment, and the use that human beings make of the planet's resources.

They explore examples of how scientific understanding is dynamic and develops with new evidence, which may involve the application of new technologies. Students consider examples of the benefits and risks of chemical knowledge to the wider community, along with the capacity of chemical knowledge to inform public debate on social and environmental issues. The study of Chemistry helps students to make informed decisions about interacting with and modifying nature and allows them to explore options such as medical sciences including pharmacy, dentistry, and general medicine. There is also a focus on sustainable chemistry, which seeks to reduce the environmental impact of chemical products and processes.

Successful completion of Stage 1 Chemistry will enable students to enrol in Stage 2 Chemistry.

The three strands of science to be integrated throughout student learning are:

- Science inquiry skills
- Science as a human endeavour
- Science understanding.

The topics for Stage 1 Chemistry are:

- Topic 1: Materials and Their Atoms
- Topic 2: Combinations of Atoms
- Topic 3: Molecules
- Topic 4: Mixtures and Solutions
- Topic 5: Acid and Bases
- Topic 6: Redox Reactions

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Investigations Folio (40%)
- Skills and Applications Tasks (60%)

Assessment is continuous throughout each semester and includes tests, practical reports, essays and an examination.

## **Child Studies**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

Child Studies focuses on children and their development from conception to eight years. Students have the opportunity to develop knowledge and understanding of young children through individual, collaborative and practical learning. Students explore concepts such as the development milestones, rights of the child, the value of play, and the importance of parents and caregivers throughout a child's development. They also consider the importance child nutrition and the health and well-being of children.

In Child Studies the emphasis is on the capabilities of **citizenship**, **personal development** and **learning**. These capabilities are developed through activities and investigations and their reflections on issues and trends related to child studies in a range of settings. Students develop their capability for learning through the application of knowledge and skills.

## Students build an understanding of the health, wellbeing and development of children by:

- Researching the importance of celebration foods in a variety of social contexts.
- Planning and preparing birthday cakes and menus
- Researching the importance of play in development.
- Designing interactive games to be played by reception students. (Active involvement)
- Identifying policies and initiatives associated with the protection and developmental needs of children in third world countries.
- Preparation of 'gift boxes' for small children, developing empathy from a global perspective.
- Exploring the various concepts of families and the roles and responsibilities of Australians to parent children in a safe and nurturing environment.

## Assessment Requirements

- Practical Activity Tasks (2-practical and theory based) (50%)
- Investigation (1-research based) (25%)
- Collaborative Group Task (1-practical and theory based) (25%)

This subject provides a strong grounding for students choosing to study Stage 2 Child Studies, Tertiary Training in Child Care, Nanny, Community Services, Nursing, and Teaching.



## **Chinese (Mandarin)**

Length		Full Year
SACE Cr	edits	20 Credits
Prerequis	sites	Successful completion of Year 10 Chinese (Mandarin).

Stage 1 Chinese at continuers level is organised round three prescribed themes and a number of prescribed topics and suggested subtopics. These themes have been selected to promote meaningful communication and enable students to extend their understanding of the interdependence of language, culture, and identity. The themes, topics, and subtopics are intended to be covered across Stage 1 and Stage 2.

- The Individual
- The Chinese-speaking Communities
- The Changing World

At the end of the program, students should be able to exchange information, opinions, and experiences in Chinese; express ideas through the production of original texts in Chinese; analyse, process, and respond to texts that are in Chinese and understand aspects of the language and culture of Chinese-speaking communities.

## **Assessment Requirements**

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Interaction
- Text Production
- Text Analysis
- Investigation

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Chinese (Continuers).

## **Community Studies**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

In consultation with the teacher, students can choose from 12 possible areas of study including Arts, Business, Communication, Design and Construction, Environment, Foods, Health and Recreation, Lifestyle, Mathematics, Science, Technology, or Work.

### Assessment Requirements

Assessment of this subject is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Contract of Work
- Community Activity

Folio

Reflection

## Design Technology and Engineering

Material Solutions - Metals

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of a Year 10 unit of Design Technology and Engineering – Materials Solutions (Metals).

In Design, Technology and Engineering students use the design and realisation process to engineer solutions for the development of products or systems. Design, Technology and Engineering has four contexts: digital communication solutions, industry and entrepreneurial solutions, material solutions and robotic and electronic systems.

This focus area involves the use of a diverse range of manufacturing technologies such as tools, machines, equipment, and/or systems to design and make products with resistant materials such as metals, plastics, timber composites and ceramics.

The subject provides a flexible framework that encourages students to be creative, innovative and enterprising in their chosen context. They apply critical problem solving skills and incorporate technologies to address design problems and challenges. This subject incorporates the transfer of interdisciplinary skills and knowledge and promotes individualised and inquiry based learning. Design, Technology and Engineering provides opportunities for students to apply engineering processes and use new and evolving technologies.

In Stage 1 students use the design and realisation process. They learn to create a design brief that provides the basis for the development of potential solutions to design problems and review design features, processes, materials and production techniques to assist with the realisation of the solution.

A solution in this subject is an outcome of the design and realisation process in relation to the chosen context. A solution could be fully realised or a model, prototype, system, part, process (i.e. procedures to output a product) or product.

Students analyse influences on a product or system including ethical, legal, economic, and/or sustainability issues. They consider the practical implication of these issues on society or design

Students apply appropriate skills, processes, procedures and techniques whilst implementing safe work practices in the creation of the solution.

Students design and create products or systems that meet a design brief, and develop the knowledge and skills associated with using different processes and production techniques in the areas of Electric Mig, Tig and Gas Welding. They use appropriate technical language and graphic, written, and oral techniques that incorporate information and communication technologies to create and communicate design proposals.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Specialised Skills Tasks (40%)
- Design Process and Solution (60%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Design Technology and Engineering - Material Solutions.

## Design Technology and Engineering

Material Solutions - Timber

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of a Year 10 unit of Design Technology and Engineering – Material Solutions (Timber).

In Design, Technology and Engineering students use the design and realisation process to engineer solutions for the development of products or systems. Design, Technology and Engineering has four contexts: digital communication solutions, industry and entrepreneurial solutions, material solutions and robotic and electronic systems.

This focus area involves the use of a diverse range of manufacturing technologies such as tools, machines, equipment, and/or systems to design and make products with resistant materials such as metals, plastics, timber composites, ceramics and textiles.

The subject provides a flexible framework that encourages students to be creative, innovative and enterprising in their chosen context. They apply critical problem solving skills and incorporate technologies to address design problems and challenges. This subject incorporates the transfer of interdisciplinary skills and knowledge and promotes individualised and inquiry based learning. Design, Technology and Engineering provides opportunities for students to apply engineering processes and use new and evolving technologies.

In Stage 1 students use the design and realisation process. They learn to create a design brief that provides the basis for the development of potential solutions to design problems and review design features, processes, materials and production techniques to assist with the realisation of the solution.

A solution in this subject is an outcome of the design and realisation process in relation to the chosen context. A solution could be fully realised or a model, prototype, system, part, process (i.e. procedures to output a product) or product.

Students analyse influences on a product or system including ethical, legal, economic, and/or sustainability issues. They consider the practical implication of these issues on society or design

Students apply appropriate skills, processes, procedures and techniques whilst implementing safe work practices in the creation of the solution.

Students design and create products or systems that meet a design brief, and develop the knowledge and skills associated with using different processes and production techniques. Students investigate and analyse a range of products or systems and use the information gained to create original solutions. They use appropriate technical language and graphic, written, and oral techniques that incorporate information and communication technologies to create and communicate design proposals.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Specialised Skills Tasks (40%)
- Design Process and Solution (60%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Design Technology and Engineering - Material Solutions.

## Design Technology and Engineering

Robotic and Electronic Systems: Audio System Design

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of a Year 10 unit of Design Technology and Engineering – Robotic and Electronic Systems.

This course focuses on the design and production of audio systems. Students first complete a general module on Automotive Wiring to develop soldering and wiring skills, and introduce several new electronic components. The next section of the course focuses on Arduino microcontrollers. This gives students the chance to learn the fundamental principles of Arduino microcontrollers, and how to interface them with several external components, such as LEDs, switches, potentiometers, and an LCD screen. For their Major Product, students design and build a Bluetooth portable audio system. Students are able to select the number and type of speakers, amplifier circuit, and housing dimensions to meet their individual design requirements. Students also build and program a pre designed Arduino based volume control circuit with LCD display, and integrate this into their overall product design. This course aims to give the student a solid knowledge and skill base to design and build an audio system based Major Product at a Stage 2 level.

### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is School-Based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Specialised Skills Tasks (40%)
- Design Process and Solution (60%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Design Technology and Engineering - Robotics and Electronic Systems.

## Design Technology and Engineering

Robotic and Electronic Systems: Robotics and Programming

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of a Year 10 unit of Design Technology and Engineering – Robotic and Electronic Systems.

This course focuses on developing skills used to design and produce robotic systems using Arduino microcontrollers. Students first complete a module on the interfacing and control of brushed electric motors and geared servo motors, as would typically be used in robotic applications. This involves the understanding of hardware requirements, wiring, and programming to operate each motor type. The second unit of work focuses on wireless communication, introducing students to 2.4GHz transceiver modules, as well as Bluetooth communication, if needed. Students learn the wiring and programming necessary to use these modules for wireless transmission of simple data packets between microcontrollers. For the Major Product, students design and build a Remote Control car with proportional throttle and steering, and an associated wireless controller. Students are able to select vehicle components such as the brushed DC electric motor, battery type, wheels, and drive gear ratio, and modify some aspects of chassis design to suit their individual design requirements. They then develop and program Arduino microcontroller based transmitter and receiver circuits to control the vehicle. This course aims to give the student a solid knowledge and skill base to design and build a robotics based Major Product at a Stage 2 level.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Specialised Skills Tasks (40%)
- Design Process and Solution (60%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Design Technology and Engineering - Robotics and Electronic Systems.



# Digital Technology: Digital Communication Solutions (Stage 2)

Length	Full Years
SACE Credits	20 Credits

This SACE Stage 2 course provides students with the opportunity to independently design and develop a sophisticated digital solution in one of four streams: Game Development, Web Design, Film Production, or Digital Graphics. Students extend their technical proficiency, apply ethical and sustainable design practices, and demonstrate creativity and critical thinking through an end-to-end design process. The course prepares students for further study or careers in media, IT, design, or software development.

#### **Course Content Covered**

- Specialised Skills Development: Students complete two focused skill development tasks to refine and extend techniques related to their chosen stream. These may include video layering, animation, UX testing, advanced coding, or image manipulation.
- Design Brief and Research: Students define the purpose, audience, and requirements for their final product. They analyse existing solutions, explore ethical, legal, and sustainability issues, and consider constraints.
- Design and Prototype Development: Students create planning documentation (e.g., storyboards, wireframes, timelines), test components, and refine ideas before full production.
- Solution Realisation: Students build a complete digital product using iterative processes. They gather and respond to user feedback to improve the product's quality and relevance.
- Evaluation and Resource Study: Students evaluate the success of their solution, reflect on the design process, and analyse the tools, materials, and broader ethical or sustainability topics relevant to their stream.

## Assessment Requirements

Students complete a total of five assessment tasks:

- 2x Specialised Skills Tasks (Assessment Type 1) (20%) Targeted tasks that build and demonstrate advanced skills in the chosen context
- 1x Design Process and Solution Task (Assessment Type 2) (50%) Split into three separate assessments:
  - 1x Design Brief and Research Report (15%) Defines the problem, audience, purpose, and research findings
  - 1x Solution and Process Journal (20%) Documents planning, production, and iterative improvements
  - 1x Evaluation and Resource Study (15%) Reflects on success, user feedback, tool choice, and ethical issues

## **Drama (Stage 2)**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of one semester of Stage 1 Drama.
Recommendations	A sound background in English is essential to the theory component of this course and successful completion of a Stage 1 Drama unit of study is recommended.

Stage 2 Drama is a dynamic, collaborative subject, stemming from experimentation that involves intuition and analysis. Students analyse texts and other materials, performances, and their own learning. Stage 2 Drama enables students to acquire the skills and understanding to generate creative and imaginative solutions to the challenge of staging theatrical works. Stage 2 Drama values the exploration of all forms of learning, integrating the creative with the physical and the intellectual. As students experience diverse perspectives and challenge their own imaginations, they have the opportunity to develop confidence in the validity of their own ideas.

The course is based on four areas of study:

#### **Group Analysis and Creative Interpretation**

Students work in groups to analyse a play-script or the work of a dramatic innovator.

#### **Review and Reflection**

Students expand their knowledge and understanding of Drama as a performing art.

## Interpretative Study

Students explore in depth a specific play-script or the work of a dramatic innovator.

### **Presentation of Dramatic Works**

Students explore dramatic elements, social issues, genres, and important events in the history of drama, either as a group or individual performance.

## Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Group Presentation (20%)
- Folio (30%)
- Interpretative Study (20%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

■ Performance (30%)

## **Economics**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

Economics at Year 11 is the study of the fundamental economic problem of how resources are allocated so that goods and services are produced, distributed and exchanged to satisfy the unlimited wants and needs of society. The course reflects an inquiry based learning model in which students are presented with real-life scenarios and propose solutions to economic problems as they become critical thinkers and questioners. Through the use of data analysis, students develop an understanding of how economics influences their life and how economic decisions made by the government and other bodies may affect them in the future.

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within the following Assessment Types:

- Folio (60%) students demonstrate their application of economic concepts, theories and skills in a variety of contexts and consider the cause and effect of economic decisions.
   Tasks may include: a multimodal report, a podcast, a blog, an essay, sources analysis or test.
- Economic Project (40%) students explore an economic issue of the student's own choice and develop an inquiry through the collection and analysis of quantitative and qualitative data.

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Students must receive a C- or above grade in the overall assessment requirements and the exam to be eligible for selecting this as a Stage 2 Subject.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Economics, Stage 2 Business and Innovation or Stage 2 Society and Culture.



## **English**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

#### **Responding to Texts**

Students explore the human experience and the world through reading and examining a range of texts, including Australian texts, and making intertextual connections. In doing so, students come to understand connections between purpose, audience, and context, and how these are achieved through language and stylistic choices. Students demonstrate their understanding of these links by producing, for example, an analytical essay, article, blog, website, documentary, or special features film (behind the scenes about the making of a film), or an oral reflection on language and stylistic features chosen to create a text.

Students consider the impact and influence of language features (e.g. sentence structure, punctuation, figurative language) and stylistic features (e.g. tone, imagery, layout, nominalisation, analogies, juxtaposition).

#### **Creating Texts**

Students create imaginative, interpretive, and/or persuasive texts for different purposes, audiences, and contexts, in written, oral, and/or multimodal forms. The text type and mode chosen for creating a text should be appropriate for the intended purpose, context, and audience, either real or implied.

## Intertextual Study

Students reflect on their understanding of intertextuality by:

- Analysing the relationships between texts, or
- Demonstrating how their knowledge of other texts has influenced the creation of their own texts.

When analysing or creating texts to show their understanding of intertextuality, students may also consider:

- Intertextual references within texts (texts that make explicit or implied references to other texts).
- Ways in which they, as readers, make intertextual connections based on their previous experiences of texts or their own experiences and beliefs.

### Assessment Requirements

The following assessment types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 1 English:

- Responding to Texts
- Creating Texts
- Intertextual Study

## **Essential and EAL English**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

Stage 1 Essential English may be studied as a 10-credit or a 20-credit subject.

The content includes:

- Responding to Texts
- Creating Texts.

Decisions about the content of the teaching and learning program should centre on ways in which students use language to establish and maintain connections with people in different contexts. The program may focus on a single context or a range of contexts for different parts of the program.

The specific contexts chosen for study may be social, cultural, community, workplace, and/or imagined. In planning a teaching and learning program, teachers work with students to support the achievement of their goals.

#### Responding to Texts

Students consider a variety of ways in which texts communicate information, ideas, and perspectives. They explore the relationship between structures and features and the purpose, audience, and context of texts.

The reading of a wide range of texts enables students to comprehend and interpret information, ideas, and perspectives in texts. They locate and extract information and ideas by, for example, skim-reading to support comprehension of key information. They also develop strategies for collecting and processing information by, for example, the use of graphic organisers.

## **Creating Texts**

By examining the links between language and the context in which texts are produced, students are supported to create their own texts.

Students develop their skills in using appropriate vocabulary, accurate spelling, punctuation, and grammar to enable effective communication. They create a range of texts, using appropriate language features, content, and mediums for different purposes, audiences, and contexts.

Students recognise and use textual conventions and language features to communicate information and ideas that convey simple and complex thoughts in a range of mediums and digital technologies.

## Assessment Requirements

The following assessment types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 1 Essential English:

- Responding to Texts
- Creating Texts.

## **Pre-English Literary Studies**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Recommendations	Minimum achievement of B in Year 10 English

Pre–Literary Studies foregrounds the analytical and critical approaches to texts required of students in the Stage 2 course. The course content parallels the Stage 1 English course, however texts and tasks will vary, and a higher expectation of reading levels and engagement. Completion of this course is recommended for students considering Stage 2 English Literary Studies.

Topics covered across the Full Year Curriculum (two-semesters) include but are not limited to:

- Post-Apocalyptic Fiction
- Dystopian Worlds
- Aboriginal Poetry
- Critical Perspectives (gendered, psychological, historical, sociological)
- War Poetry
- Persuasive Texts
- Play Scripts (Tennessee Williams, Arthur Miller)

### **Responding to Texts**

Students explore the human experience and the world through reading and examining a range of texts, including Australian texts, and making intertextual connections. In doing so, students come to understand connections between purpose, audience, and context, and how these are achieved through language and stylistic choices. Students demonstrate their understanding of these links by producing, for example, an analytical essay, article, blog, website, documentary, or special features film (behind the scenes about the making of a film), or an oral reflection on language and stylistic features chosen to create a text.

Students consider the impact and influence of language features (e.g. sentence structure, punctuation, figurative language) and stylistic features (e.g. tone, imagery, layout, nominalisation, analogies, juxtaposition).

## **Creating Texts**

Students create imaginative, interpretive, and/or persuasive texts for different purposes, audiences, and contexts, in written, oral, and/or multimodal forms. The text type and mode chosen for creating a text should be appropriate for the intended purpose, context, and audience, either real or implied.

## Intertextual Study

Students reflect on their understanding of intertextuality by:

- Analysing the relationships between texts, or
- Demonstrating how their knowledge of other texts has influenced the creation of their own texts.

When analysing or creating texts to show their understanding of intertextuality, students may also consider:

- Intertextual references within texts (texts that make explicit or implied references to other texts).
- Ways in which they, as readers, make intertextual connections based on their previous experiences of texts or their own experiences and beliefs.

## Assessment Requirements

The following assessment types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 1 English:

- Responding to Texts
- Creating Texts
- Intertextual Study

For a 10-credit subject, students should provide evidence of their learning through four assessments, with at least one assessment from each assessment type. At least one assessment should be an oral or multimodal presentation, and at least one should be in written form. Each assessment type should have a weighting of at least 20%.

For a 20-credit subject, students should provide evidence of their learning through eight assessments, with at least two assessments from each assessment type. At least two assessments should be oral or multimodal presentations, and at least two should be in written form. Each assessment type should have a weighting of at least 20%.

## **Food and Hospitality**

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Recommendations	Successful completion of Year 10 Food Technology 1 or 2.

In Semester 1 this course introduces students to the processes used in catering enterprises. Its aim is to build on student's skills in selecting, planning and preparing foods for catering events and to develop an understanding of legislation and other factors related to the food industry. Focus is on decision making, interpersonal skills, management and group skills desired by the food industry.

Topics of study in the first semester include:

- Food safety
- Food, the individual and the family
- Food and Hospitality industry

Semester 2 builds on student's practical skills and knowledge related to the Food and Hospitality industry, with an emphasis on vocational opportunities. Students will be required to select, plan and prepare food for a range of audiences, working often as a team. Focus is on decision making, interpersonal skills, management and group skills desired by the food industry.

Topics of study in the second semester include:

- Food Safety
- Trends in Food and Culture
- Local and Global issues in the Food and Hospitality industry

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types. Assessment will take the form of written analysis of research, planning tasks, practical applications, evaluation reports and an independent research task

- Practical Activity
- Group Activity
- Investigation

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to Stage 2 Food and Hospitality.

## Geography

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

Through the study of Geography, students develop an understanding of the spatial interrelationships between people, places, and environments. They appreciate the complexity of our world, the diversity of its environments, and the challenges and associated opportunities facing Australia and the world.

Students fine tune and reinforce core mapping and spatial technologies skills, and undertake fieldwork related to Natural Hazards. A Geography camp will further enhance students' understanding and appreciation of the importance of place in terms of economic, social, and environmental phenomena and processes.

As a 10-credit subject in Semester 1, students study the following topics:

- Natural Hazards
- Global Issues (Population)

As a 20-credit subject, students study the following additional topics:

- Megacities
- Local Issues (Coastal Management)

## **Assessment Requirements**

Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Assessment Type 1: Geographical Skills and Applications (60%)
- Assessment Type 2: Fieldwork (40%)

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Geography or Stage 2 Society and Culture.



## Information Processing and Publishing

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Recommendations	Successful completion of Year 10 Stage 1 Communication Products (Multimedia) unit of study.

Information Processing and Publishing focuses on the use of technology to design and implement information-processing solutions. The subject emphasises the acquisition and development of practical skills in identifying, choosing, and using the appropriate computer hardware and software for communicating in a range of contexts. It focuses on the application of practical skills to provide creative solutions to text-based communication tasks.

Semester 1 will focus on the topic of Business Publishing using the Adobe Creative Suite.

Business Publishing combines the use of software with the elements and principles of design and an understanding of the processes and procedures involved in using information to produce business publications. Integral aspects of this topic are publication design and the production of paper-based publications such as newsletters, brochures, menus and exploration of social issues such as e-waste.

Semester 2 will focus on the topic of Digital Publishing using the Adobe Creative Suite.

Digital Publishing involves the development of products to be published in a digital format. Students who undertake this topic develop skills in the creation, manipulation, storage, and use of digital media to solve publishing problems in personal, community, or business contexts. Students consider issues related to the production and use of digital publications.

Although text and image publications are emphasised, static and dynamic graphic, audio, video, and animation software may also be included. Examples of materials in digital format include web-based pages or sites, e-publications and interactive PowerPoints.

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Practical Skills (50%)
- Product and Documentation (30%)
- Issues Analysis (20%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Information Processing and Publishing (IPP).

## **Integrated Learning (Soccer)**

Notes	Faculty Invite Only
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Length	2 Semesters

This subject aims to enable students to enhance and further develop elements of their soccer to take it to the highest level. Through Integrated Learning the subject which enables students to make a link between aspects of their lives in sport and their learning.

Students undertake a focus of soccer and develop practical skills, leadership, planning, communication and organisation through the various assessment tasks. Students will be required to demonstrate a broad range of skills, such as coaching, officiating, collaboration and communication. As well as some theoretical focus, there is also a practical inquiry for the course, where students focus on skill development, reflection of performance and coaching principles.

#### Cost: \$150

- Tottenham Hotspur Coach
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- Excursions
- 7-a-side tournaments
- Futsal and Football Competitions
- Football Australia MiniRoos Coaching Course
- Football Australia Junior Match Official (Level 4) Course

## Assessment Requirements

The following assessments are a requirement for course completion. Students will complete FIVE assessments across the two semesters:

- Assessment Type 1: Practical Exploration Specialist Soccer Practical
- Assessment Type 1: Practical Exploration Officiating
- Assessment Type 2: Connections Coach Development
- Assessment Type 2: Connections Tactical Analysis Task
- Assessment Type 3: Personal Venture Individual Player Plan

Students need to achieve at least a C+ or higher in this subject to be eligible for Stage 2 Integrated Learning (Soccer).

## Integrated Learning (Physical Education)

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

Integrated Learning is a subject which enables students to make a link between aspects of their lives in sport and their learning. Students undertake a sport focus and develop practical skills, leadership, planning, communication and organisation through the various assessment tasks.

Students will be required to demonstrate a broad range of skills, such as coaching, collaboration and communication. Students will apply their knowledge and will be expected to organise and implement a large event (Sports Day, Sport Round Robin). As well as some theoretical focus, there is also a practical inquiry for the course, where students focus on skill development, reflection of performance and coaching principles.

## Assessment Requirements

The following assessment is a requirement for course completion. Students will complete at least ONE of each assessment type per semester:

- Assessment Type 1: Practical Exploration
- Assessment Type 2: Connections
- Assessment Type 3: Personal Venture

Students need to achieve at least a C+ or higher in this subject to be eligible for Stage 2 Integrated Learning (Sport Studies).

## **Italian**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Year 10 Italian.

Stage 1 Italian at continuers level is organised round three prescribed themes and a number of prescribed topics and suggested subtopics. These themes have been selected to promote meaningful communication and enable students to extend their understanding of the interdependence of language, culture, and identity. The themes, topics, and subtopics are intended to be covered across Stage 1 and Stage 2.

- The Individual
- The Changing World
- The Italian-speaking Communities

At the end of the program, students should be able to exchange information, opinions, and experiences in Italian; express ideas through the production of original texts in Italian; analyse, process, and respond to texts that are in Italian and understand aspects of the language and culture of Italian-speaking communities.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Interaction
- Text Analysis
- Text Production
- Investigation

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Italian (Continuers).



## **Legal Studies**

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Prerequisites	A sound background in English is essential to this course.

Stage 1 Legal Studies is an inquiry-based course, where students explore and develop understanding of concepts of *rights, fairness* and justice and power and change through 'big questions' within a law-making, law enforcement and dispute resolution contemporary context. The course is supplemented by visits to Law Courts and Parliament where students learn more about the work of lawyers, judges and politicians. Students participate in Mock Trials and Mock Parliamentary Debates.

Three Focus Areas are studied which will include Law and Communities. The other two areas will be negotiated with students to reflect their interests and may include: Government, Law-making, Crime, Law and Punishment, Young People and the Law, Sport and the Law, International Law, Motorists and the Law, Environmental Law, Technology and the Law. Students learn how to find, read and critically analyse laws made by parliament and court decisions, and determine their impact on contemporary and future society.

Students may choose to study Legal Studies over two semesters or one semester.

## Assessment Requirements

Students demonstrate Exploration, Understanding and Application, Analysis and Evaluation and Communication and Collaboration through a number of tasks within three Assessment Types.

- Folio (60%) Analytical Response 1200 words (40%)
- Issues Study (20%) Inquiry 1200 words (30%)
- Presentation 7 minutes + 500 word personal reflection (30%)

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Students must receive a C- or above grade in the overall assessment requirements and the exam to be eligible for selecting this as a Stage 2 Subject.

Successful completion of this subject leads to Stage 2 Legal Studies.

## **Essential Mathematics**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

This mathematics subject has been designed for students who do not intend on studying Mathematics beyond this semester. It is a requirement to receive their SACE that all students achieve a minimum of a C- grade in one semester of Stage 1 Mathematics.

Essential Mathematics is designed for a range of students, including those who are seeking to meet the SACE numeracy requirement, and students who are planning to pursue a career in a range of trades or vocational pathways. There is an emphasis on extending students' mathematical skills in ways that apply to practical problem-solving in everyday and workplace contexts, in flexible and resourceful ways.

Stage 1 Essential Mathematics consists of the following three topics:

- Topic 1: Calculations, time, and ratio
- Topic 2: Earning and spending
- Topic 3: Geometry

#### Assessment Requirements

Students are assessed on each topic and have a total of four assessments through a variety of means, not limited to Skills and Application Tasks, and Folio Tasks. The Skills and Applications

Tasks involve both questions with and without the use of technology. There is no end of semester examination.

Student work is assessed against performance criteria.

On successful completion of this subject, further study of Mathematics will not be possible.



## **General Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Student must achieve a minimum of a C grade in both semesters of Year 10 General Mathematics.
Recommendations	Students who achieve a C grade in one of the semesters, meets the compulsory SACE requirements for 10 credit points of Numeracy.

General Mathematics extends students' mathematical skills in ways that apply to practical problem-solving. A problem-based approach is integral to the development of mathematical models and the associated key ideas in the topics. These topics cover a diverse range of applications of mathematics, including personal financial management, measurement and trigonometry, the statistical investigation process, modelling using linear and non-linear functions, and discrete modelling using networks and matrices.

Successful completion of this subject at Stage 2 prepares students for entry to tertiary courses requiring a non-specialised background in mathematics.

Students will complete the following six topics (three per semester):

- Topic 1: Investing and Borrowing
- Topic 2: Measurement
- Topic 3: Statistical Investigations
- Topic 4: Applications of Trigonometry
- Topic 5: Linear Functions and their Graphs
- Topic 6: Matrices and Networks

## Assessment Requirements

Each Semester, students are assessed on three topics and have a total of four assessments, made up of three Skills and Application Tasks, and one Mathematical Investigation. The Skills and Applications Tasks involve both questions with and without the use of technology. There will be an exam at the end of each semester. Student work is assessed against performance criteria.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to Stage 2 General Mathematics or Stage 2 Essential Mathematics.

To enrol in Stage 2 General Mathematics, students must have successfully completed 20 credit points of Stage 1 General Mathematics achieving B grade minimum.

To enrol in Stage 2 Essential Mathematics, students must successfully complete 20 credits of Stage 1 General Mathematics gaining a C+ grade minimum.

## **Mathematical Methods**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Students must achieve a minimum of a B- grade in both semesters of Year 10 Mathematics.
Recommendations	Students who achieve a C grade in one of the semesters, meet the compulsory SACE requirements for 10 credit points of Numeracy.

Mathematics at Stage 1 builds on the mathematical knowledge, understanding, and skills that students have developed in Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability during Year 10.

Stage 1 Mathematics is organised into topics that broaden students' mathematical experience, and provide a variety of contexts for incorporating mathematical arguments and problem solving.

The topics provide a blending of algebraic and geometric thinking. In this subject there is a progression of content, applications, and level of sophistication and abstraction.

Students will complete the following six topics (three per semester):

- Topic 1: Functions and Graphs
- Topic 2: Polynomials
- Topic 3: Trigonometry
- Topic 4: Counting and Statistics
- Topic 5: Growth and Decay
- Topic 6: Introduction to Differential Calculus

## Assessment Requirements

Each Semester, students are assessed on three topics and have a total of four assessments, made up of three Skills and Application Tasks, and one Mathematical Investigation. The Skills and Applications Tasks involve both questions with and without the use of technology.

There will be an exam at the end of each semester.

Student work is assessed against performance criteria. Successful completion of this subject can lead students to Stage 2 Mathematical Methods, Stage 2 General Mathematics, Stage 2 Essential Mathematics.

To enrol in Stage 2 Mathematical Methods, students must attain a minimum of a B- grade in each semester of Stage 1 Mathematical Methods

To enrol in Stage 2 General Mathematics or Stage 2 Essential Mathematics, students must attain a minimum of a C grade in Semester 2 of Stage 1 Mathematical Methods.

# **Specialist Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Students must achieve a minimum of an B grade in both semesters of Year 10 Mathematical Methods. This subject can only be studied in conjunction with Stage 1 Mathematical Methods.

Specialist Mathematics at Stage 1 builds on the mathematical knowledge, understanding, and skills that students have developed in Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, and Statistics and Probability during Year 10. Stage 1 Mathematics is organised into topics that broaden students' mathematical experience, and provide a variety of contexts for incorporating mathematical arguments and problem solving. The topics provide a blending of algebraic and geometric thinking. In this subject there is a progression of content, applications, and level of sophistication and abstraction.

Students will complete the following six topics (three per semester):

- Topic 1: Arithmetic and Geometric Sequences and Series
- Topic 2: Geometry
- Topic 3: Vectors in the Plane
- Topic 4: Further Trigonometry
- Topic 5: Matrices
- Topic 6: Real and Complex Numbers

## Assessment Requirements

Each Semester, students are assessed on three topics and have a total of four assessments, made up of three Skills and Application Tasks, and one Mathematical Investigation. The Skills and Applications Tasks involve both questions with and without the use of technology. Student work is assessed against performance criteria.

There will be an exam at the end of each semester.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to Stage 2 Specialist Mathematics. To enrol in a Stage 2 Specialist Mathematics, students must have gained a B grade minimum in 20 credit points of Stage 1 Specialist Mathematics.

# **Media Studies**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Prerequisites	A sound background in English is essential to this course.

Students develop media literacy and production skills. They research, discuss and analyse media issues, and interact with, and create media products. Students explore the role of media in the Australian and global contexts, and how media can exert a significant influence on the way people receive and interpret information about the world, explore their own and other cultures, make economic choices, develop political ideas, and spend their leisure time.

Students study a range of topics which may include: Images of Youth in the Media, Making the News, Advertising, Careers in Media, Creating Multimedia Texts, Representations in Media, Media Audiences, Media and Leisure, Media and the Global Community.

#### Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within-specific Assessment Types:

- Folio (40%)
- Product (20%)
- Interaction Study (40%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Media Studies.



# **Modern History**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Prerequisites	A sound background in English is essential to this course.

Students explore changes in the world since 1750, examining developments and movements, and their consequences on societies, systems and individuals. Students investigate ways in which people, groups and institutions challenge political structures and social organisations. Extensive set of skills are developed including analysis, interpretation and synthesis of historical sources and identification of bias.

Students study two topics per semester; Decolonisation and Social movements in Semester 1 and Revolution and Modernisation in Semester 2. Topics may be negotiated with students to reflect their interest.

#### Assessment Requirements

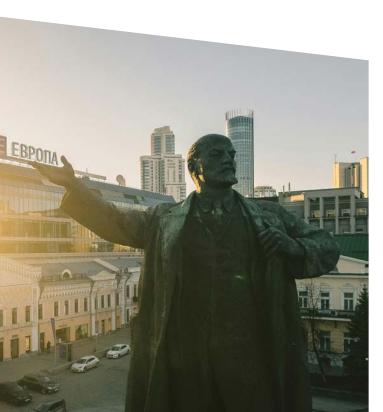
Students will demonstrate their learning through four tasks within the following Assessment Types:

- Historical Skills (60%) 3 Tasks (The combined maximum is 2400 words if written or 15mins oral)
- Historical Study (40%) 1 Task (1000 words if written or 6mins oral)

Assessments may include: an essays, sources analyses, research assignments, a debates, webpages, historical media study, semester examination.

Students must receive a C- or above grade in the overall assessment requirements and the exam to be eligible for selecting this as a Stage 2 Subject.

Successful completion of this subject to at least a B standard can lead students to study, Stage 2 Modern History or Stage 2 Society and Culture.



# **Music Explorations (Stage 2)**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of Stage 1 Music Explorations

Students enrolled in Year 11 Music complete Stage 2 Music Explorations.

This is a 20-credit subject that consists of three focus areas:

- Understanding music
- Creating music
- Responding to music

Year 11 Music allows students the freedom to choose instruments, genres and disciplines to be assessed on, including:

- A range of sound sources (including traditional acoustic instruments, voices, traditional and non-traditional ensembles or groups, electronic instruments, amplified instruments, found sounds)
- Different ways of making and recording music (including sampling, looping, MIDI recording)
- Soundscapes
- Songwriting
- Innovations in music composition and performance

These options allow students to chart their own journey to success, focussing on performance, composition or music technology based on their prior experiences.

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 2 consists of two school-based and one external component.

#### School Assessment (70%)

- Explorations (40%) students explore how music is made and experiment with styles and techniques to present a portfolio that comprises a set of short performances and/ or compositions and/or other musical products (e.g. digital recordings or handcrafted instrument)
- Musical Literacy (30%) students complete three tasks, where one must include an original melody or song, using contemporary music notation.

#### External Assessment (30%)

 Creative Connections (30%) – students undertake one task in which the synthesise their learning from their explorations, experimentation and development of music literacy skills to present a final creative work (performance, composition or arrangement) and a discussion of that work.

# **Nutrition**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)

Students study the fundamentals of human nutrition, physiology, and health, within the context of current and emerging trends. They examine dietary, lifestyle, and healthy eating patterns with a focus on the nutritional content of food, how the body utilises nutrients, and the relationship between diet, health, and disease.

Students apply knowledge and understanding of nutrition to conduct investigations and examine scenarios. Students use technologies, scientific evidence, and research to critically analyse information and make recommendations. Students use literacy and numeracy skills and a deep understanding of nutrients to analyse diets that improve health outcomes for individuals.

Students explore the link between food systems, environmental impacts, and food sustainability. Students have opportunities to investigate contemporary food trends, advances in technology, and the development of new foods and food packaging. These issues will affect the future health and nutrition of populations.

Areas of study that may be taught over the two semesters include:

- Macronutrients and micronutrients
- Specific foods and their nutrition values
- Dietary disorders
- Diseases of overnutrition and undernutrition
- The Australian dietary guidelines
- Nutrition in the life cycle
- Future foods and innovations in food production
- Sustainable food futures
- Food packaging and labelling
- Contaminated food and safe food handling

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Investigations Folio
- Skills and Applications Tasks

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Nutrition or Stage 2 Sports Science.

# **Outdoor Education**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Cost	\$500

Students gain an understanding of ecology, environmental sustainability, cultural perspectives, and physical and emotional health through participating in outdoor activities. They learn to develop and apply risk and safety management skills and responsibility for themselves and other members of a group. Students reflect on personal development and environmental practices related to outdoor activities.

This course includes five topics all of which are crucial elements of the program.

- Topic 1: Natural systems and Human Impacts. Students will look at the impacts of humans on ecosystems and necessary strategies for the conservation and management of issues.
   Observations from your Snorkelling practical will be used to help demonstrate and evaluate these practices.
- Topic 2: Planning and Management. In this topic students develop basic skills in planning and implementing outdoor activities and lightweight journeys.
- Topic 3: Uses of Natural Environments. Students will use a range of resources to learn about the development and uses of natural environments. They will look at different perspectives on the uses of natural environments within Australia.
- Topic 4: Conservation and Sustainable practises. Students explore and analyse human interactions with natural environments to build understanding of the balance between the human uses, potential risks, and conservation and sustainability of the environments.
- Topic 5: Outdoor Journeys. Students plan and undertake one outdoor activity and outdoor journeys as a group. Students use peer assessment and self-assessment to gather information about the development of their teamwork and practical outdoor skills. In this topic students develop the basic skills they need to participate safely and effectively in both outdoor activities and outdoor journeys. Specific activities might include kayaking, orienteering, surfing, bushwalking, mountain biking and snorkelling.

#### Assessment Requirements

AT1 (40%) – About Natural Environments: This will be an assessment of a student's evidence of learning with regard to understanding of environmental systems and issues of potential human impacts on natural environments. Evidence of learning will be collected from two assessment pieces.

AT2 (60%) – Experiences in Natural Environments: This will be a record of a student's planning, reflections, analysis and evaluation of their experiences in natural environments. Two assessments are based on their application and development of skills and one assessment on planning safe and sustainable journeys.

**Requirements for Success:** An appreciation of outdoor pursuits and a respect for the environment are essential to skilful participation in Outdoor Education. Students should have a preparedness to participate in one 3-day outdoor journey and outdoor activities.

# **Physical Education**

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Recommendations	Successful completion (B- minimum) of Year 10 Health & Physical Education is recommended.

In Stage 1 Physical Education, students explore the participation in and performance of physical activities. It is an experiential subject in which students explore their physical capacities and investigate the factors that influence and improve participation and performance outcomes, which lead to greater movement confidence and competence. By using an integrated approach students acquire an understanding 'in, about and through' physical activity.

Students participate in a variety of physical activity settings where they use movement to strengthen their understanding of biophysical, psychological, and sociocultural domains. Students use physical activity contexts as the vehicle for developing the capabilities and skills necessary to reflect on and critique their learning in order to enhance participation and performance outcomes.

Physical activities can include: sports, theme-based games, laboratories, and fitness and recreational activities. Classes can undertake a single-focus approach (e.g. single sport) or can undertake multiple sports, games, and/or activities. These activities may vary from year to year, depending on the strengths of the group, but usually involves a combination of sports such as: Touch Football, Badminton, Futsal, Cricket, Team Handball and Volleyball.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types:

- Assessment Type 1: Performance Improvement (min 20%)
   usually two tasks
- Assessment Type 2: Physical Activity Investigation (min 20%)
   usually one task

Successful completion of this subject (Minimum B-) can lead students to study Stage 2 Physical Education and/or Stage 2 Sports Science.

# **Physics**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

Physics encompasses the study of the universe from the largest galaxies to the smallest subatomic particles.

Moreover, it's the basis of many other sciences, including chemistry, oceanography, seismology, and astronomy (and can be applied to biology or medical science). All are easily accessible with a bachelor's degree in physics.

By studying physics, students understand how new evidence can lead to the refinement of existing models and theories and to the development of different, more complex ideas, technologies, and innovations. Through further developing skills in gathering, analysing, and interpreting primary and secondary data to investigate a range of phenomena and technologies, students increase their understanding of physics concepts and the impact that physics has on many aspects of contemporary life.

The Physics in this course is presented through many examples rather than specialised fields. It presents a generalised view of all the concepts so that they can be applied to a variety of situations and within many scenarios. Physicists are problem solvers. Their analytical skills make physicists versatile and adaptable so they work in interesting places; this course opens up possibilities!

The three strands of science to be integrated throughout student learning are:

- Science inquiry skills
- Science as a human endeavour
- Science understanding

The topics for Stage 1 Physics are:

- Topic 1: Linear Motion and Forces
- Topic 2: Electric Circuits
- Topic 3: Heat
- Topic 4: Energy and Momentum
- Topic 5: Waves
- Topic 6: Nuclear Models and Radioactivity

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Investigations Folio
- Skills and Applications Tasks

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination. Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Physics.

# **Psychology**

L	ength.	1 Semester
s	SACE Credits	10 Credits

Stage 1 Psychology may be completed as a single semester or dual semester course. The course allows students to describe and explain both the universality of human experience and individual and cultural diversity. It also addresses the ways in which behaviour can be changed. It offers a means for making society more cohesive and equitable; that is, psychology offers ways of intervening to advance the wellbeing of individuals, groups, and societies.

In Semester 1, students will examine in detail three aspects of central importance to psychology:

- Cognitive Psychology Analysis and explanation of mental processes involved in acquiring, storing, retrieving, and using knowledge.
- Emotion Analysis and explanation of how and why we feel emotions, how different people feel different emotions, and how our social and cultural group might effect how we express emotion
- Psychology in context (Criminal or Exercise and Sport Psychology) – Analysis and explanation of how and why people engage in anti-social and criminal behaviour. Analysis and explanation of the cognitions and mental processes involved in attaining positive sporting outcomes.

In Semester 2, students will cover the following:

- Psychological Wellbeing Analysis and explanation of the strengths and virtues that enable individuals, communities, and organisations to thrive, and is grounded in the belief that people want to lead meaningful and fulfilling lives, to cultivate what is best within them, and to enhance their own personal experiences and the experiences of others.
- Lifespan Psychology Which encompasses development from conception to death, and the associated health, social, and behavioural changes which occur throughout the process.
- Neuropsychology Understanding how the physical structures of our central nervous system affect the ways that we both perceive and respond to the variety of stimuli that we encounter in the world.

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment types. Assessment in Stage 1 Psychology will be based on evidence gathered as a result of planned investigations and Science as a Human Endeavour. Students will be required to collect and analyse both quantitative and qualitative data. These evidence-based procedures (i.e. observation, experimentation, and experience), will allow students to develop useful skills in analytical and critical thinking, and in making inferences.

Assessment for this subject will include a Semester Examination.

- Investigations Folio (50%)
  - At least one investigation with a deconstruction element
  - At least one Science as a Human Endeavour task
- Skills and Applications Task (50%)

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Psychology.

# **Scientific Studies: Sports Science**

Length	1 or 2 Semesters
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Prerequisites	Minimum B- in Year 10 Science.

Exercise and Sports Science is an exciting and innovative course which offers any students interested in sports performance analysis, as well as in depth investigation of improved fitness development, an opportunity to explore such topics from a science based perspective.

Possible topics of study over the two Semesters include:

- Physical Activity & Health
  - Anatomy
- Movement Analysis
- Physiology
- Skill in Sport
- Energy Systems
- Biomechanics

Study of this subject will provide students with an initial experience of the field of Sport Science, including developing their ability to analyse sport and exercise, as well as providing the basic Sport Science and Human Movement skills.

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment in Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Inquiry Folio (60%)
- Collaborative Inquiry (40%)

Successful completion of this subject will lead students to study Stage 2 Scientific Studies: Exercise and Sports Science and Stage 2 Health and Physical Education.



# Spiritualities, Religion and Meaning (Stage 2)

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

At Stage 2, students engage in reflective analysis in response to stimuli such as guest speakers, documentaries, and excursions, contextualised by one of the six big ideas. They explore a concept or issue from a spiritual and/or religious perspective, and collaborate with others to apply their learning. They engage in reflective practice to evaluate their personal and shared actions.

For a 10-credit subject, students individually explore and evaluate an existing initiative related to a local, national, or global issue related to a big idea of their choice, considering spiritual and/or religious perspectives.

In this subject, teachers and students use one or more 'big ideas' to frame inquiry questions; to explore issues, concepts, and ideas; and to reflect on personal and shared meaning within one or more spiritualities and/or religions.

The following six big ideas frame learning in this subject by inviting inquiry into religious and spiritual perspectives in context.

#### Big ideas

- Growth, belonging, and flourishing
- Community, justice and diversity
- Story, visions and futures
- Spiritualities, religions, and ultimate questions
- Life, the universe and integral ecology
- Evil and suffering

#### Assessment Requirements

Students provide evidence of their learning through both school-based and external assessments.

#### School-Based:

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based. The following Assessment Types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 2 Religion:

- Assessment Type 1: Reflective Analysis
- Assessment Type 2: Connections
- Assessment Type 3: Transformative Action.

# **Sport Coaching - Certificate III**

Length	Full Year
Cost	\$1,450

This qualification enables students to acquire and apply skills in the development of themselves and others within a Sport Coaching context. Curriculum is delivered across both theoretical and practical settings. This program is part of our VET Partnership with the Australian College of Sport Course references are to both community sport, as well as the 'developing athlete'.

For students seeking to progress to SACE Stage 1 and 2 Physical Education, this Certificate offers elective units that introduce some of the key theoretical concepts for those subjects, in order to better prepare students for the learning outcomes.

The Certificate III in Sport Coaching reflects the role of individuals who apply the skills and knowledge to coach participants up to an intermediate level in a specific sport. This qualification provides a pathway to work in community coaching roles, either working or volunteering at community-based sport clubs, after School Programs and organisations in the Australian sport industry.

#### Content

Course references are to both community sport, as well as the 'developing athlete'. Key coaching topics across the individual's technical, tactical, physical and mental components of development are explored, and within the following sequence of learning: Learn to Learn, Learn to Train, Learn to Play, Learn to Compete.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment is through the Australian College of Sport online learning platform and is ongoing throughout the year. This qualification carries a contribution of 65 Stage 2 credits and can be used towards a student's ATAR.



## Visual Arts - Art

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Recommendations	A sound background in English is essential to the theory component of this course.

The course will begin with master classes in drawing and will introduce students to using various dry mediums.

**Painting** – Painting in acrylics will be followed by painting with oils on canvas. During the semester, students will learn how to create a still life, a portrait, a figurative painting and a landscape painting. To help the students immerse themselves into the art world, they will be taken to visit various art galleries, artist's studios and have an artist in residence at various times throughout the semester.

Students will expand on the work completed in the first semester, by creating a painting in the media of their choice, on a narrative of their choosing. The second semester will focus on mixed media. To keep up with evolving technology, students will also create digital designs using a range of professional software applications such as Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign.

**Mosaic and Sculpture** – Students will learn the craft of mosaics and, as a group, create an art work that can be permanently displayed in the school environment. Sculpture and 3D construction will give the students the opportunity to create an art piece that can also be displayed in and around the school.

Gallery visits and visits to artist's studios will be an important aspect of the course.

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

Folio

- Visual Study
- Practical

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to Stage 2 Visual Arts-Art or Stage 2 Visual Arts-Design.

# Visual Arts - Design

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits
Recommendations	A sound background in English is essential to the theory component of this course.

Students further develop skills acquired in previous years of Design and to introduce the students to modern aspects of Designing, Illustration and Computer Graphics. The majority of the work will be completed using applications such as Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and Flash, as well as a number of other multimedia applications. The first semester course will focus on the various means of Visual Communication.

**Graphic Design** – This includes Corporate Identity, Package Design and Poster Design.

**Illustration and Fashion Design** – Students will investigate a multitude of Multimedia techniques, Painting and Mixed Media.

**Multimedia** – This topic will involve the use of digital cameras for dry Photography and video cameras for Video Production.

The second semester will further develop skills acquired in previous years of Design and to introduce the students to modern aspects of Designing, Illustration and Computer Graphics. The majority of the work will be completed using applications such as Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and Flash, as well as a number of other multimedia applications.

**Architecture** – This topic involves students researching environmentally friendly and energy efficient structures to create their own unique dwelling. Students will be expected to analyse contemporary building trends and designs to incorporate into their work which will be created using 3D modelling software.

#### Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Folio
- Practical
- Visual Study

Successful completion of this subject can lead to Stage 2 Visual Arts-Art or Stage 2 Visual Arts-Design.

# **Workplace Practices**

Length	1 Semester
SACE Credits	10 Credits

Students develop knowledge, skills, and understanding of the nature, type and structure of the workplace. They learn about the value of unpaid work to society, future trends in the world of work, workers' rights and responsibilities and career planning. Students can undertake learning in the workplace and develop and reflect on their capabilities, interests, and aspirations. The subject may include the undertaking of vocational education and training (VET) as provided under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF).

## **Assessment Requirements**

Assessment at Stage 1 is school-based and may be moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

- Folio
- Performance
- Reflection

Successful completion of this subject can lead students to study Stage 2 Workplace Practices.



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# **CBC Advantage**

All Year 12 students are required to select four subjects from the Stage 2 SACE subjects outlined in this booklet.

In addition to these four 20 credit SACE subjects, students must select one 20 credit subject from the CBC Advantage Program (outlined in the table below). All options contribute to Stage 2 SACE. Options 1, 2 & 5 are eligible for ATAR.

You will note that these subjects are designed to be finished by the end of Semester 1.

If the student has achieved a minimum grade of a B, and are up-to-date with work in all other learning areas, this subject line will then become a supervised study with the possibility of EXEAT.

Fifth Subject Options	Stage 2 Credits	Completion Date	TAS	Cost
Option 1  High Performance Work Place Practices  This course offers students recognised as high performing participants in their chosen field to investigate professional sport as a legitimate career pathway in the 21st Century Workplace. Please refer to page 104 of this Curriculum Guide for more details.	20	End of Semester 1	Yes	-
Option 2  Vocational Education & Training  1. Certificate III in Business 2. Certificate III in Sport Coaching  Delivered through a partnership with RTO (AIPT & Foundation Education). Engagement in this course supports the development of workplace skills and the competencies required to gain entry-level employment.	Individual course credits vary between courses. Please refer to VET Forms	End of Semester 1	Yes (Only if full certificate is attained)	Please refer to the VET Coordinator for course costs
Option 3  VET - Introduction to Business (four modules only)  This course offers student a basic introduction to business and on-line adult learning principles	20	End of Semester 1	No	Please refer to the VET Coordinator for course costs
Option 4 Community Studies Please refer page 87) for an outline of available options.	20	End of Semester 1	No	-
Option 5  Fifth Stage 2 SACE Subject  Students may elect to complete a fifth SACE Stage 2 20 credit subject.  However, in doing so, students must understand the subject runs for the entirety of the year.	20	Full Year	-	-

# **Accounting**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Stage 1 Accounting with a C- grade as a minimum.

Stage 2 Accounting is structured around three focus areas

- Understanding accounting concepts and conventions

   students develop the foundational understanding of accounting and extend their understanding of the existence and influence of regulatory frameworks on accounting activities
- Managing financial sustainability students apply their understanding of accounting concepts and conventions to produce information that takes into consideration local and global perspectives. They analyse and interpret qualitative and quantitative information to manage financial sustainability
- Providing accounting advice students evaluate accounting information to propose accounting advice for a variety of stakeholders

These focus areas are underpinned by the following learning strands

- Financial literacy
- Stakeholder information and decision-making
- Innovation

The focus areas provide real-world opportunities and environments in which students can develop, extend and apply their skills, knowledge, understanding and capabilities to study accounting practices in a range of enterprises, including; local, national and multinational enterprises, small, medium and large businesses, public-private partnerships, online enterprises.

The learning strands develop students' knowledge, skills, understanding and capabilities. Students learn how to apply accounting concepts and conventions, as well as how innovation has led to new and emerging technologies to create, store and communicate accounting information.

## Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

## School-based Assessment (70%)

- Assessment Type 1 (40%) Accounting Concepts and Solutions - Four tasks
- Assessment Type 2 (30%) Accounting Advice One Task

## External Assessment (30%)

# **Biology**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of at least one semester of study of Stage 1 Biology with a B grade as a minimum.

Through Biology, students increase their own knowledge of biological principles and concepts; they also develop the ability to use that knowledge to identify questions, issues, opportunities, and challenges and to acquire new knowledge through their own investigations. Students develop the skills and abilities to explain biological phenomena and to draw evidence-based conclusions from investigations of biology-related issues and human endeavours. The content for Stage 2 Biology is organised around the following four topics:

- Topic 1: DNA and Proteins
- Topic 2: Cells as the Basis of Life
- Topic 3: Homeostasis
- Topic 4: Evolution

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

Investigations Folio (30%) – Students undertake at least two practical investigations and one investigation with a focus on science as a human endeavour. Students may undertake more than two practical investigations within the maximum number of assessments allowed. They inquire into aspects of biology through practical discovery and data analysis, and/or by selecting, analysing, and interpreting information.

Skills and Applications Tasks (40%) – Students undertake at least three skills and applications tasks. Students may undertake more than three skills and applications tasks within the maximum number of assessments allowed in the school assessment component, but at least three should be under the direct supervision of the teacher.

External Examination (30%) – The examination will be 130 minutes in duration.



# **Business Innovation**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of Stage 1 Business Innovation, Stage 1 Accounting or Stage 1 Economics is recommended.

Stage 2 Business Innovation students develop knowledge, skills and understanding to engage in designing, sustaining and transforming business in the modern world. The course is focused on the model of design thinking and assumption based business planning to promote a human-centred approach to innovation and transformation of business products, services and processes. In completing assessment tasks, students engage with complex, real-life problems to identify and design, test, iterate and communicate viable business solutions.

Business Innovation is structured around three key contexts; designing business, sustaining business and transforming business. Students explore two of the key contexts where they develop and apply their understanding of the following learning strands: innovation, decision-making and project management, financial literacy and information management, global, local and digital perspectives.

Students gain an understanding of fundamental business concepts and ideas, including:

- The nature and structure of business
- Sources of finance
- Forms of ownership
- Legal responsibilities and requirements

## Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Assessment Type 1 (40%): Business Skills four tasks
- Assessment Type 2 (30%): Business Model one task

#### External Assessment (30%)

Assessment Type 3 (30%): Business Plan and Pitch - one task



# Chemistry

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Minimum 'B' result in Year 11 Chemistry.

Through the study of Chemistry, students develop the skills that enable them to be questioning, reflective, and critical thinkers; investigate and explain phenomena around them; and explore strategies and possible solutions to address major challenges now and in the future (for example, in energy use, global food supply, and sustainable food production).

Students integrate and apply a range of understanding, inquiry, and scientific thinking skills that encourage and inspire them to contribute their own solutions to current and future problems and challenges, and pursue future pathways, including in medical or pharmaceutical research, pharmacy, chemical engineering, and innovative product design.

The students who intend to study Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy and Engineering will choose Chemistry.

The three strands of science to be integrated throughout student learning are:

- Science inquiry skills
- Science as a human endeavour
- Science understanding

The topics for Stage 2 Chemistry are:

- Topic 1: Monitoring the Environment
- Topic 2: Managing Chemical Processes
- Topic 3: Organic and Biological Chemistry
- Topic 4: Managing Resources

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components. Assessment is conducted continuously during the school year and involves a number of tasks including tests, practical reports, essays and an examination.

### School-Based Assessment: (70%)

- Investigations Folio (30%)
- Skills and Applications Tasks (40%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

■ Examination (30%)

# **Child Studies**

L	ength	Full Year
s	ACE Credits	20 Credits

Child Studies focuses on children and their development from conception to 8 years. Students have the opportunity to develop knowledge and understanding of young children through individual, collaborative and practical learning. This learning is also supported by the inclusion of guest speakers and excursions. Students explore concepts such as the development, needs, and rights of the child, the value of play, concepts of childhood and families and the roles of parents and caregivers. They also consider the importance of behaviour management, child nutrition and the health and well-being of children.

In Child Studies the emphasis is on the capabilities of **citizenship**, **personal development and learning**. These capabilities are developed through activities and investigations and their reflections on issues and trends related to child studies in a range of settings. Students develop their capability for learning through the application of knowledge and skills.

# Students build an understanding of the health, wellbeing and development of children by:

- Students individually investigate and critically analyse the importance of literature.
- Students individually investigate and critically analyse the importance of ante-natal care and the associated health issues affecting mothers and newborns.
- Students individually investigate and critically analyse the effectiveness of current government and community initiatives related to healthy eating for a young child and creating a nation of healthy individuals.
- Students individually complete an action plan in which they identify and discuss Government initiatives and legislation.
- Students individually complete an action plan in which they identify and discuss contemporary trends and issues relevant to Area of Study 2: Economic and Environmental Influences.
- Students work in groups (defined as two or more students working collaboratively) to plan, organise, and implement the defined activity.
- External assessment.

This subject provides a strong grounding for students choosing to study, Tertiary Training in Child Care, Nanny, Community Services, Nursing, and Teaching.

# **Chinese (Continuers)**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Stage 1 Chinese (Continuers).

Stage 2 Chinese at continuers level is organised round three prescribed themes and a number of prescribed topics and suggested subtopics. These themes have been selected to promote meaningful communication and enable students to extend their understanding of the interdependence of language, culture and identity. The themes, topics and subtopics are intended to be covered across Stage 1 and Stage 2.

- The Individual
- The Chinese-speaking Communities
- The Changing World

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (50%) consisting of a minimum of three assessments:
  - Interaction
  - Text Production
  - Text Analysis
- In-depth study (20%) consisting of three assessments:
  - One oral presentation in Chinese (3 to 5 minutes)
  - One written response to the topic in Chinese (500 words)
  - One reflective response in English (600 words or 5 to 7 minutes)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Examination (30%)

The examination consists of two assessments: an oral examination (10 to 15 minutes) and a written examination (3 hours)



# **Community Studies**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Notes	This subject can not contribute to an ATAR.

In consultation with the teacher, students can choose from 12 possible areas of study including Arts, Business, Communication, Design and Construction, Environment, Foods, Health and Recreation, Lifestyle, Mathematics, Science, Technology, or Work.

The student must complete the following in consultation with the teacher:

- Decide on a community activity.
- Prepare for the chosen activity (new knowledge and skills may be needed).
- Design the contract to achieve the goals.
- Carry out the activity in the community.
- Obtain feedback from the community.
- Present the activity to the community and obtain feedback on this.
- Reflect on the learning.
- Maintain and negotiate a record of all activities and community involvement and submit this for moderation.

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Contract of Work
- Folio
- Presentation

#### External Assessment (30%)

Reflection



# **Design Technology & Engineering**

Material Solutions - Composite

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of a Stage 1 Design Technology and Engineering – Material Solutions.

In Design Technology and Engineering students use design thinking to engineer solutions for the development of products or systems. Design, Technology and Engineering has four contexts: digital communication solutions, Industry and entrepreneurial solutions, materials solutions and robotic and electronic systems.

The subject provides a flexible framework that encourages students to be creative, innovative and enterprising in their chosen context. They apply critical problem solving skills and incorporate technologies to address design problems and challenges. This subject incorporates the transfer of interdisciplinary skills and knowledge and promotes individualised and inquiry based learning. Design, Technology and Engineering provides opportunities for students to apply engineering processes and use new and evolving technologies.

In Stage 2 Students use an iterative design process to explore possible solutions to a problem or opportunity. They investigate and analyse the purpose, design features, materials and production techniques used in diverse situations including industry, community and tertiary organisations. This information is used to create a design brief that provides the basis for the development of potential solutions. The importance of the design process as a preliminary to the realisation process is emphasised, as is ongoing evaluation of the solution and visa versa.

A solution in this subject is an outcome of the design and realisation process in relation to the chosen context. A solution could be fully realised or a model, prototype, system, part, process (i.e. procedures to output a product) or product.

They make sound decisions about materials and techniques, based on their testing and understanding of the physical properties and working characteristics of materials. Students identify product characteristics and make critical judgments about the design and creation of products and systems.

They work with a range of tools, materials, equipment, and components to a high degree of precision, while implementing safe working practices. They demonstrate an understanding of the needs and values of a range of users to design and create products or systems that fit an identified design brief. They develop their ability to evaluate outcomes against the design brief.

Students analyse influences on a solution including ethical, legal, economic, and/or sustainability issues. They consider the practical implication of these issues on society or design solutions.

Students apply appropriate skills, processes, procedures and techniques whilst implementing safe work practices in the creation of the solution

Note: Depending on student selection of materials, additional costs may occur.

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Assessment Task 1: Specialised Skills Tasks (20%)
- Assessment Task 2: Design Process and Solution (50%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Assessment Task 3: Resource Study (30%)

# **Design Technology & Engineering**

Robotic and Electronic Systems

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of Year 11 Design Technology and Engineering – Robotics and Electronic Systems.

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Students analyse influences on a solution including ethical, legal, economic, and/or sustainability issues. They consider the practical implication of these issues on society or design solutions.

Students apply appropriate skills, processes, procedures and techniques whilst implementing safe work practices in the creation of the solution.

This focus area involves the use of devices such as electrical, electronic, mechanical, pneumatic, hydraulic, and interface components, including programmable control devices, to design and make systems and control products. Students produce outcomes that demonstrate the knowledge and skills associated with these areas.

Students will have the opportunity to work with the Arduino programmable microcontroller and explore its uses and functionality in the context of electronic and electromechanical devices. They will also be introduced to the computerized design and CNC manufacture of printed circuit boards (PCBs) and given the task of designing and producing a functional circuit board for a circuit diagram of their choice. Students will also be introduced to advanced manufacturing techniques, including CAD design, 3D printing and CNC milling as methods of designing and producing a housing for their product/circuit board.

For their major assessment, students put forward a project proposal for negotiation with the teacher, giving the opportunity to pursue their local needs or interests. This project must contain the use of an Arduino microcontroller with a minimum number of inputs and outputs, the design and manufacture of at least two circuit boards, and the use of either 3D printing or the CNC mill to produce a component of their final product.

Students then develop design briefs, demonstrating their design and technological ability through activities in contexts that have a practical outcome. They make sound decisions about the use of materials, components and techniques, based on their testing and understanding of their physical properties and working characteristics. Students identify product characteristics and make critical judgments about the design and creation of products and systems.

Note: Depending on student selection of additional components, additional costs may occur.

#### Assessment Requirements

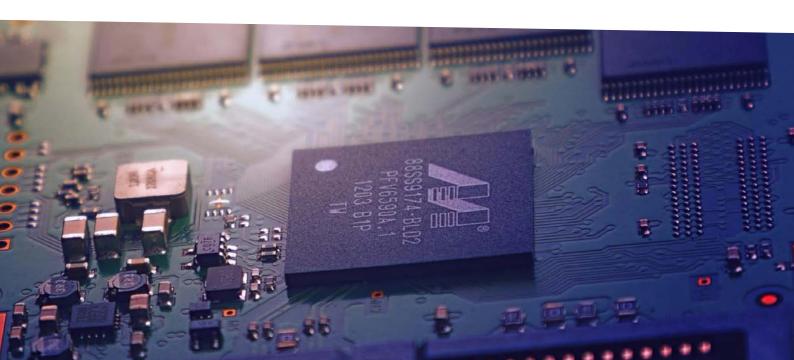
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## School-based Assessment (70%)

- Assessment Task 1: Specialised Skills Tasks (20%)
- Assessment Task 2: Design Process and Solution (50%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Assessment Task 3: Resource Study (30%)



# Digital Technology: Digital Communication Solutions

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

This SACE Stage 2 course provides students with the opportunity to independently design and develop a sophisticated digital solution in one of four streams: Game Development, Web Design, Film Production, or Digital Graphics. Students extend their technical proficiency, apply ethical and sustainable design practices, and demonstrate creativity and critical thinking through an end-to-end design process. The course prepares students for further study or careers in media, IT, design, or software development.

#### **Course Content Covered**

- Specialised Skills Development: Students complete two focused skill development tasks to refine and extend techniques related to their chosen stream. These may include video layering, animation, UX testing, advanced coding, or image manipulation.
- Design Brief and Research: Students define the purpose, audience, and requirements for their final product. They analyse existing solutions, explore ethical, legal, and sustainability issues, and consider constraints.
- Design and Prototype Development: Students create planning documentation (e.g., storyboards, wireframes, timelines), test components, and refine ideas before full production.
- Solution Realisation: Students build a complete digital product using iterative processes. They gather and respond to user feedback to improve the product's quality and relevance.
- Evaluation and Resource Study: Students evaluate the success of their solution, reflect on the design process, and analyse the tools, materials, and broader ethical or sustainability topics relevant to their stream.

## Assessment Requirements

Students complete a total of five assessment tasks:

- 2x Specialised Skills Tasks (Assessment Type 1) (20%) Targeted tasks that build and demonstrate advanced skills in the chosen context
- 1x Design Process and Solution Task (Assessment Type 2) (50%) Split into three separate assessments:
  - 1x Design Brief and Research Report (15%) Defines the problem, audience, purpose, and research findings
  - 1x Solution and Process Journal (20%) Documents planning, production, and iterative improvements
  - 1x Evaluation and Resource Study (15%) Reflects on success, user feedback, tool choice, and ethical issues

## **Drama**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of one semester of Stage 1 Drama.
Recommendations	A sound background in English is essential to the theory component of this course and successful completion of a Stage 1 Drama unit of study is recommended.

Stage 2 Drama is a dynamic, collaborative subject, stemming from experimentation that involves intuition and analysis. Students analyse texts and other materials, performances, and their own learning. Stage 2 Drama enables students to acquire the skills and understanding to generate creative and imaginative solutions to the challenge of staging theatrical works. Stage 2 Drama values the exploration of all forms of learning, integrating the creative with the physical and the intellectual. As students experience diverse perspectives and challenge their own imaginations, they have the opportunity to develop confidence in the validity of their own ideas.

The course is based on four areas of study:

#### **Group Analysis and Creative Interpretation**

Students work in groups to analyse a play-script or the work of a dramatic innovator.

#### **Review and Reflection**

Students expand their knowledge and understanding of Drama as a performing art.

#### Interpretative Study

Students explore in depth a specific play-script or the work of a dramatic innovator.

#### **Presentation of Dramatic Works**

Students explore dramatic elements, social issues, genres, and important events in the history of drama, either as a group or individual performance.

## Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Group Presentation (20%)
- Folio (30%)
- Interpretative Study (20%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Performance (30%)

# **Economics**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Stage 1 Economics with a C- grade as a minimum.

The Stage 2 Economics course allows students to examine individual and social problems through the study of markets and their importance to the prosperity and sustainability of society. Students explore and analyse a variety of authentic economic contexts to develop, extend and apply their skills, knowledge, understanding and capabilities. They use an inquiring and critical approach to their study to analyse and respond to economic problems.

Students study a core topic; *Thinking like an economist*. This topic develops student knowledge, skills and understanding through the following four focus areas:

Economic Inquiry – identification of specific economic objectives, application of economic concepts, principles, models and terminology, analysis of the rationale for economic decisions and evaluating their intended and unintended consequences, communication of reasoned arguments and evidence-based recommendations

Data Analysis – development of an understanding of a range of qualitative and quantitative economic data to understand economic activity

Microeconomics – development of an understanding of different market structures, market failure, demand and supply diagrams, price elasticity, subsidies, tax, price ceilings and price floors, game theory(Nash equilibrium, pay-off and preferences)

Macroeconomics – development of an understanding of macroeconomic objectives of full employment, price stability and economic growth, their measurement and recent trends, economic indicators, circular flow model, aggregate demand and supply and management policies that the government and central banks use to manage the economy.

These four focus areas are explored through the study of two or more economic scenarios which may include: trade and globalisation, wealth, poverty and inequality, macroeconomic management the environment or health. Economic concepts, principles and models are integrated in the study of the scenarios.

#### Assessment Requirements

Students demonstrate *Understanding, Application, Analysis and Evaluation* through a number of tasks within three Assessment Types.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (40%) Four Tasks
- Economic Project (30%) One Task

## External Assessment (30%)

Examination (30%)

# **English**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

#### **Responding to Texts**

Students demonstrate a critical understanding of the language features, stylistic features, and conventions of particular text types and identify the ideas and perspectives conveyed by texts. This includes how language conventions influence interpretations of texts, and how omissions and emphases influence the reading and meaning of a text. Students reflect on the purpose of the text and the audience for whom it was produced.

The evaluation of the different ideas, perspectives, and/or aspects of culture represented in texts is achieved through the analysis of purpose, context, and language features through, for example, comparing a feature article or the reporting of current events from different newspapers in diverse cultural communities. Students may also evaluate the use of language features to create meaning, and consider how their own perspectives might influence their responses.

When responding to texts, students compare and contrast the distinctive features of text types from the same or different contexts. This may be done by analysing and evaluating how different authors employ the language features, stylistic features, and conventions of texts when exploring similar themes, ideas, concepts, or aspects of culture. Students compare the contexts in which texts are created and experienced. They also consider how the conventions of text types can be challenged or manipulated.

Students focus primarily on a shared reading of a variety of texts, but may also include an independently chosen text. Texts may be treated separately or linked.

#### **Creating Texts**

Students create a range of texts for a variety of purposes. By experimenting with innovative and imaginative language features, stylistic features, and text conventions, students develop their personal voice and perspectives. They demonstrate their ability to synthesise ideas and opinions, and develop complex arguments.

Accurate spelling, punctuation, syntax, and use of conventions should be evident across the range of created texts. Students benefit from modelling their own texts on examples of good practice in the same text type. In creating texts students extend their skills in self-editing and drafting.

## **Assessment Requirements**

The following assessment types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 2 English:

#### School Assessment (70%)

- Responding to Texts (30%)
- Creating Texts (40%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

■ Comparative Analysis (30%)

For a 20-credit subject, students should provide evidence of their learning through eight assessments, including the external assessment component.

#### Students complete:

- Three responses to texts
- Four created texts (one of which is a writer's statement)
- One externally assessed comparative analysis

# **English Literary Studies**

Length Full Year

SACE Credits 20 Credits

The content includes:

- Responding to Texts
- Creating Texts

#### **Responding to Texts**

Through their study of literary texts, students understand how readers are influenced to respond to their own and others' cultural experiences, and how the expectations of audiences shape perceptions of texts and their significance. Students make comparisons between texts in different literary forms and mediums and from different traditions. Students observe ways in which Australian authors represent culture, place, and identity as well as ways in which perspectives in texts from other times and cultures may be read and interpreted by a contemporary Australian audience. Students observe how interpretations of texts may vary over time, and develop an understanding of literary texts in their historical and cultural contexts.

There is a particular focus on how ideas, perspectives, values, attitudes, and emotions are conveyed in literary texts. Students develop an understanding of how literary conventions and stylistic features are used in texts to create meaning and effect. Through a close study of techniques in texts, students develop an understanding of ways in which language, structural, and stylistic choices communicate values and attitudes and may shed new light on familiar ideas. Students are supported to appreciate the aesthetic qualities of literary texts.

#### **Creating Texts**

Students create texts that enable them to apply the knowledge, skills, and understanding developed through their study of literary texts in a range of forms.

Students experiment with and adapt content, medium, form, style, point of view, and language to create their own texts. Students draw on their knowledge and experience of genre and literary devices to experiment with elements of style and voice to achieve specific effects in their own texts. In their texts they understand and apply literary conventions for different audiences and contexts, and may experiment with conventions and reinterpret ideas and perspectives. In creating their own texts, students show their understanding of ways in which the expectations and values of audiences shape a text by adapting form, personal style, language, and content to engage and position the audience.

The creating texts study focuses on:

- Transforming texts
- Creating a written, oral, or multimodal text

#### Assessment Requirements

The following assessment types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 2 English Literary Studies:

#### School Assessment (70%)

- Responding to Texts (50%)
- Creating Texts (20%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Text Study:
 Part A: Comparative Text Study (15%)
 Part B: Critical Reading (15%)

Students provide evidence of their learning through up to nine assessments, including the external assessment component. Students complete:

- Up to five responses to texts
- Two created texts
- Two tasks for the text study (one comparative text study and one critical reading)



# **Essential and EAL English**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

The content includes:

- Responding to Texts
- Creating Texts
- Language Study

#### **Responding to Texts**

Students respond to a range of texts that instruct, engage, challenge, inform, and connect readers. They consider information, ideas, and perspectives represented in the chosen texts.

Texts for this study will have a direct connection with the chosen context. Students could, for example, be involved in, or be a member of a:

- Volunteer organisation
- Workplace
- Group from a culturally and linguistically diverse background
- Social networking community
- School-based special-interest group
- Group of students for whom English is a second or additional language

Teachers choose texts relevant to one or more of these contexts. The reading of these texts clarifies and extends students' comprehension of the processes, issues, or concerns of individuals or communities.

Students may explore the different points of view presented in a text by analysing content, attitudes, stylistic features, and language features. Students reflect on ways in which texts may be interpreted through identifying the effect of language choice.

Students consider how perspectives are represented in texts to influence specific audiences. For some texts students have an opportunity to identify facts, opinions, supporting evidence, and bias. In addition, students may consider how some points of view are privileged while others are marginalised or silenced.

Students reflect on ways in which community, local, or global issues and ideas are presented in texts; they develop reasoned responses to these issues and ideas. Students develop independent points of view by synthesising information from a range of sources.

In reflecting on, and possibly participating in, discussions and community debates, students have opportunities to develop understanding and appreciation of the diversity of cultures, including Indigenous cultures.

#### **Creating Texts**

Students create procedural, imaginative, analytical, interpretive, or persuasive texts appropriate to a context.

To create some texts it will be necessary for students to gather different points of view, for example, through interviews, surveys, questionnaires, and internet resources. For these texts it will be important for students to determine the relevance of source material to context and topic.

Students learn that authors observe various conventions of style, content, vocabulary, register, and format, and that some authors ignore or deliberately challenge these conventions. Students should be aware of the stylistic features and textual conventions of various forms.

When creating their own procedural, imaginative, analytical, persuasive, and/or interpretive texts, students are encouraged to consider the intended purpose of the text, the representation of ideas and issues, and the possible response of the audience.

Students create a persuasive text that advocates for an issue, cause, or process relevant to a context in which the student is living, studying, and/or working.

Students extend their literacy skills to equip them for work, future learning, and participation in civic life. They develop appropriate vocabulary and use accurate spelling, punctuation, and grammar. Students use strategies for planning, drafting, revising, editing, and proofreading, and, where necessary, appropriate referencing.

Hearing impaired and/or speech-impaired students can use alternative means of communication, such as signing or the use of appropriate technology, for the oral modes.

#### Language Study

The language study focuses on the use of language by people in a local, national, or international context.

When choosing a group or individuals with whom to interact, students need to consider the practical and ethical implications of interacting effectively and appropriately.

Students consider the functions of language in their chosen context, including the communication of information, ideas, and perspectives. Students examine ways in which language, in conjunction with, for example, ethnicity, location, gender identity, social and economic status, interests, and age, is used to support interaction and the formation and maintenance of personal and group identity.

Students reflect on the strategies and language used to communicate in a family, peer group, community, work-related, and/or online context.

The language study could also explore ways in which people change or modify their use of language according to context, purpose, or audience expectation.

## Assessment Requirements

The following assessment types enable students to demonstrate their learning in Stage 2 Essential English:

#### School Assessment (70%)

- Responding to Texts (30%)
- Creating Texts (40%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Language Report (30%)

Students provide evidence of their learning through seven assessments, including the external assessment component. Students complete:

- Three assessments for responding to texts
- Three assessments for creating texts
- One language report

# Food and Hospitality

Length	1	Full Year
SACE	Credits	20 Credits
Prereq	uisites	Successful completion of Stage 1 Food and Hospitality.

Stage 2 Food and Hospitality focuses on the contemporary and changing nature of the food and hospitality industry. Students critically examine attitudes and values about the food and hospitality industry and the influences of economic, environmental, legal, political, sociocultural, and technological factors at local, national, and global levels. Students develop relevant knowledge and skills as consumers and/or industry workers. Students will be required to participate in activities outside school hours, both within the school and in the wider community.

Five areas of study are included in the course:

Area of Study 1: Contemporary and Future Issues

Area of Study 2: Economic and Environmental Influences

Area of Study 3: Political and Legal Influences

Area of Study 4: Sociocultural Influences

Area of Study 5: Technological Influences

Assignments Include:

- Gourmet Hamper -Preserved foods
- High Risk Food Dessert design
- Social cultural Influences -Australia does not have its own cuisine food research
- Staff morning tea Group

#### task

- Executive board dinner (Group Task)
- Small group Catering (Group Task)
- 30% Major Investigation

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.  $% \label{eq:components}$ 

## School-based Assessment (70%)

- Practical activity (50%)
- Group activity (20%)

## External Assessment (30%)

Investigation (30%)

# Geography

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of at least one semester of study of Stage 1 Geography with a B grade as a minimum.

Through the study of Geography, students develop an understanding of the spatial interrelationships between people, places, and environments. They appreciate the complexity of our world, the diversity of its environments, and the challenges and associated opportunities facing Australia and the world.

Geography develops an appreciation of the importance of place in explanations of economic, social, and environmental phenomena and processes.

#### **Topics**

Stage 2 Geography consists of the following content:

#### The transforming world

The transforming world introduces students to the changes taking place across human and physical environments. Students examine the characteristics and causes of changes in environmental, social, and economic systems and study their effects and implications. They become aware of the interconnectedness of the changes and links across each of the three systems. Through the study of environmental change, students develop their understanding of the impact of people on ecosystems and our role in climate change. Students examine social and economic change and develop their understanding of population trends and movements, the growth and impact of globalisation and localisation, and global patterns of inequality.

#### **Fieldwork**

Students undertake independent fieldwork on a local topic or issue of personal interest. The selected fieldwork must enable students to collect primary data using a wide range of data-collection techniques and develop their skills of geographical inquiry and analysis. Students use a range of graphical presentations to support their findings and conclusions.

#### Assessment Requirements

**Assessment Type 1:** Geographical Skills and Applications (40%)

Students produce four geographical skills and application tasks to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of geographical concepts and to examine geographical features, patterns, and processes.

#### Assessment Type 2: Fieldwork Report (30%)

Students produce one individual fieldwork report. Each student is responsible for independently planning, organising, and carrying out fieldwork and completing a report. The fieldwork should focus on a local topic or an issue of personal interest.

External Examination (30%) – The examination will be 130 minutes in duration.

# **Health and Wellbeing**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

In Stage 2 Health and Wellbeing, students develop the knowledge, kills and understandings required to explore and analyse influences and make informed decisions regarding health and wellbeing. They consider the role of health and wellbeing in various contexts and explore ways of promoting positive outcomes for individuals, communities, and global society.

Students play an active role in negotiating what and how they will learn. Students explore and develop skills as agents and advocates for change and consider moral and ethical perspectives. Students evaluate current trends and issues that impact health and wellbeing. They reflect on personal and community actions to promote and improve sustainable outcomes for individuals and global society.

Focus Areas in this subject include:

- Health Literacy
- Health Determinants
- Health Promotion
- Social Equity

#### Assessment Requirements

#### School Assessed Component: 70%

Assessment Type 1: Initiative (40%)

- One individual task
- One collaborative task

Assessment Type 2: Folio (30%)

Two individual Tasks

## External Component: (30%)

Assessment Type 3: Inquiry

# Information Processing and Publishing

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Recommendations	Successful completion of two semesters of Stage 1 Communication Products (Multimedia) or Information Processing and Publishing is recommended.

This subject offers students opportunities to use computer technology to design and implement information processing and publishing solutions. Students who are interested in using computer hardware and software to develop and apply practical skills will benefit from this subject, which develops knowledge and skills that can be applied to all learning. A high proportion of the assessment is focused on practical and design tasks, such as the production of brochures, posters, magazine covers, and websites, with the associated manipulation of text and graphics, and where possible, incorporating Flash animations. The course consists of two topics: Desktop Publishing and Electronic Publishing.

#### Topic 1 - Desktop Publishing

Desktop Publishing involves the use of a computer and page-layout software to assemble text and graphics electronically for publishing on paper. This unit contains two sections, one on practical skills using software such as Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator, and the other on issues and technical understanding.

#### Topic 2 - Electronic Publishing

Electronic Publishing involves the use of computer hardware and software capable of integrating a variety of elements for publishing electronically. The unit contains two sections, one on practical skills using software such as Adobe Dreamweaver, Adobe Flash and Adobe Photoshop, with the possibility of developing and incorporating simple animations and/or movie-clips and the other section covering associated issues and technical understanding.

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Practical Skills (40%)
- Issues Analysis (30%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Product and Documentation (30%)

# **Integrated Learning (Soccer)**

Length	2 Semesters
SACE Credits	20 Credits (10 per semester)
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Stage 1 Integrated Learning (Soccer) C+ or higher
Notes	Faculty Invite Only

This subject aims to enable students to enhance and further develop elements of their soccer to take it to the highest level. Through Integrated Learning the subject which enables students to make a link between aspects of their lives in sport and their learning.

Students undertake a focus of soccer and develop practical skills, leadership, planning, communication and organisation through the various assessment tasks. Students will be required to demonstrate a broad range of skills, such as coaching, officiating, collaboration and communication. As well as some theoretical focus, there is also a practical inquiry for the course, where students focus on skill development, reflection of performance and coaching principles.

#### Cost: \$150

- Tottenham Hotspur Coach
- Kit
- Excursions
- 7-a-side tournaments
- Futsal and Football
- Competitions
- Football Australia Foundation of Football Coaching Accreditation

#### Assessment Requirements

The following assessments are a requirement for course completion. Students will complete FIVE assessments across the two semesters:

- School Based Assessment (70%)
  - Assessment Type 1: Practical Exploration (x2)
  - Assessment Type 2: Connections (x2)
- External Assessment (30%)
  - Assessment Type 3: Personal Venture

# Integrated Learning (Physical Education)

Length		Full Year
SACE C	redits	20 Credits

Integrated Learning is a subject which enables students to make a link between aspects of their lives in sport and their learning. Students undertake a sport focus and develop practical skills, leadership, planning and organisation through the various assessment tasks.

Students will be required to demonstrate a broad range of skills, such as coaching, collaboration and communication. Students will apply their knowledge and will be expected to organise and implement a large event (Sports Day, Sport Round Robin). As well as some theoretical focus, there is also a practical inquiry for the course, where students focus on skill development, reflection of performance and coaching principles.

#### Assessment Requirements

The following assessment is a requirement for course completion:

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Practical Inquiry (40%)
- Connection (30%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Personal Endeavour (30%)

For a 20-credit Stage 2 Course, students will be required to provide evidence of their learning through five or six assessments, including their external component.

# Italian

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Stage 1 Italian (Continuers).

Stage 2 Italian at continuers level is organised round three prescribed themes and a number of prescribed topics and suggested subtopics. These themes have been selected to promote meaningful communication and enable students to extend their understanding of the interdependence of language, culture, and identity. The themes, topics, and subtopics are intended to be covered across Stage 1 and Stage 2.

- The Individual
- The Italian-speaking Communities
- The Changing World

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (50%) consisting of a minimum of three assessments:
  - Interaction
  - Text Production
  - Text Analysis
- In-depth Study (20%) consisting of three assessments:
  - One oral presentation in Italian (3 to 5 minutes)
  - One written response to the topic in Italian (500 words)
  - One reflective response in English (600 words or 5 to 7 minutes)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Examination (30%)

The examination consists of two assessments: an oral examination (10 to 15 minutes) and a written examination (3 hours).



# **Legal Studies**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Minimum B grade in Stage 1 English and a minimum C- grade in Stage 1 Legal Studies.

The Stage 2 Legal Studies course allows students to examine how people, the government and various institutions shape the law and how law controls, shapes and regulates interactions between people, the government and the institutions. The course enhances student understanding of the operation of the Australian legal system, its principles and processes. Students learn to articulate various perspectives, analyse and evaluate competing tensions between rights and responsibilities, fairness and efficiency, the empowered and the disempowered as well as certainty and flexibility in the legal system which must evolve to reflect the ever changing community values and circumstances.

Four Focus Areas are studied: Sources of Law – Parliament, Sources of Law – Courts, Dispute Resolution and Rights and Obligations. These focus areas are explored through 'big questions' which students analyse and substantiate recommendations relating to legal principles and processes. Students refer to legislation and court decisions, and visits to the law courts and parliament will enhance students' critical and conceptual thinking.

#### Assessment Requirements

Students demonstrate *Understanding and Application, Analysis and Evaluation and Communication* through a number of tasks within three Assessment Types.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (40%) Four Tasks
- Inquiry (30%) One Task

#### External Assessment (30%)

Examination (30%)

# **Essential Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Students must have successfully completed Stage 1 General Mathematics gaining a C+ grade minimum in Semester 2, or a C grade in Stage 1 Mathematical Methods.
Recommendations	This subject is intended for students planning to pursue a career in a range of trades or vocations.

Essential Mathematics offers senior secondary students the opportunity to extend their mathematical skills in ways that apply to practical problem-solving in everyday and workplace contexts. Students apply their mathematics to diverse settings, including everyday calculations, financial management, business applications, measurement and geometry, and statistics in social contexts.

In Essential Mathematics there is an emphasis on developing students' computational skills and expanding their ability to apply their mathematical skills in flexible and resourceful ways.

In this subject students extend their mathematical skills in ways that apply to practical problem-solving in everyday and workplace contexts. A problem-based approach is integral to the development of mathematical skills and associated key ideas in this subject.

Stage 2 Essential Mathematics consists of the following six topics:

- Topic 1: Scales, Plans, and Models
- Topic 2: Measurement
- Topic 3: Business Applications
- Topic 4: Statistics
- Topic 5: Investments and Loans
- Topic 6: Open Topic

#### Assessment Requirements

Students are required to complete four Skills and Application Tasks, one of which must come from Topics 1 or 3, and three Mathematical Investigations. The Skills and Applications Tasks involve both questions with and without the use of technology. Topics 2, 4 and 5 form the basis of the external end of year examination. Student work is assessed against performance criteria

# **General Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Students must have successfully completed 20 credit points of Stage 1 General Mathematics, gaining a B grade minimum each semester or Stage 1 Mathematical Methods gaining a C grade minimum in Semester 2.
Recommendations	Successful completion of this subject at Stage 2 prepares students for entry to tertiary courses requiring a non-specialised background in mathematics.

General Mathematics extends students' mathematical skills in ways that apply to practical problem-solving. A problem-based approach is integral to the development of mathematical models and the associated key concepts in the topics. These topics cover a diverse range of applications of mathematics, including personal financial management, the statistical investigation process, modelling using linear and non-linear functions, and discrete modelling using networks and matrices.

Stage 2 General Mathematics offers students the opportunity to develop a strong understanding of the process of mathematical modelling and its application to problem-solving in everyday workplace contexts.

A problem-based approach is integral to the development of both the models and the associated key concepts in the topics. These topics cover a range of mathematical applications, including linear functions, matrices, statistics, finance, and optimisation.

Students will complete the following five topics:

- Topic 1: Modelling with Linear Relationships
- Topic 2: Modelling with Matrices
- Topic 3: Statistical Models
- Topic 4: Financial Models
- Topic 5: Discrete Models

## Assessment Requirements

Students are required to complete five Skills and Application Tasks, one per topic, and two Mathematical Investigations. The Skills and Applications Tasks involve both questions with and without the use of technology. Topics 3, 4 and 5 form the basis of the external end of year examination. Student work is assessed against performance criteria.

# **Mathematical Methods**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Students must have successfully completed 20 credit points of Stage 1 Mathematical Methods, gaining a B grade minimum in both semesters.
Recommendations	Mathematical Methods provides the foundation for further study in mathematics, economics, computer sciences, and the sciences. It prepares students for courses and careers that may involve the use of statistics, such as health or social sciences. When studied together with Specialist Mathematics, this subject can be a pathway to engineering, physical science, and laser physics.

Mathematical Methods develops an increasingly complex and sophisticated understanding of calculus and statistics. By using functions and their derivatives and integrals, and by mathematically modelling physical processes, students develop a deep understanding of the physical world through a sound knowledge of relationships involving rates of change. Students use statistics to describe and analyse phenomena that involve uncertainty and variation

Stage 2 Mathematical Methods focuses on the development of mathematical skills and techniques that enable students to explore, describe, and explain aspects of the world around them in a mathematical way. It places mathematics in relevant contexts and deals with relevant phenomena from the students' common experiences, as well as from scientific, professional, and social contexts.

The coherence of the subject comes from its focus on the use of mathematics to model practical situations, and on its usefulness in such situations. Modelling, which links the two mathematical areas to be studied, calculus and statistics, is made more practicable by the use of electronic technology.

The ability to solve problems based on a range of applications is a vital part of mathematics in this subject. As both calculus and statistics are widely applicable as models of the world around us, there is ample opportunity for problem-solving throughout this subject.

Stage 2 Mathematical Methods consists of the following six topics:

- Topic 1: Further Differentiation and Applications
- Topic 2: Discrete Random Variables
- Topic 3: Integral Calculus
- Topic 4: Logarithmic Functions
- Topic 5: Continuous Random Variables and the Normal Distribution
- Topic 6: Sampling and Confidence Intervals

#### Assessment Requirements

Students are required to complete six Skills and Application Tasks, one per topic, and one Mathematical Investigation.

The equivalent of one skills and applications task must be undertaken without the use of either a calculator or notes. In the remaining skills and applications tasks, electronic technology and up to one A4 sheet of paper of handwritten notes (on one side only) may be used at the discretion of the teacher. All topics form the basis of the two-hour external end of year examination.

Student work is assessed against performance criteria.

# **Specialist Mathematics**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	To enrol in a Stage 2 Specialist Mathematics, students must have gained a B grade minimum in
	Stage 1 Specialist Mathematics in Semester 2.
Recommendations	The subject leads to study in a range of tertiary courses such as mathematical sciences, engineering, computer science, and physical sciences. Students envisaging careers in related fields will benefit from studying this subject.

Specialist Mathematics draws on and deepens students' mathematical knowledge, skills, and understanding, and provides opportunities for students to develop their skills in using rigorous mathematical arguments and proofs, and using mathematical models. It includes the study of functions and calculus.

The topics in Stage 2 extend students' mathematical experience and their mathematical flexibility and versatility, in particular, in the areas of complex numbers and vectors. The general theory of functions, differential equations, and dynamic systems provides opportunities to analyse the consequences of more complex laws of interaction.

Specialist Mathematics topics provide different scenarios for incorporating mathematical arguments, proofs, and problem-solving.

Stage 2 Specialist Mathematics consists of the following six topics:

- Topic 1: Mathematical Induction
- Topic 2: Complex Numbers
- Topic 3: Functions and Sketching Graphs
- Topic 4: Vectors in Three Dimensions
- Topic 5: Integration Techniques and Applications
- Topic 6: Rates of Change and Differential Equations

#### Assessment Requirements

Students are required to complete six Skills and Application Tasks, one per topic, and one Mathematical Investigation.

The equivalent of one skills and applications task must be undertaken without the use of either a calculator or notes. In the remaining skills and applications tasks, electronic technology and up to one A4 sheet of paper of handwritten notes (on one side only) may be used at the discretion of the teacher. All topics form the basis of the two-hour external end of year examination.

Student work is assessed against performance criteria.

## **Media Studies**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

Media Studies consists of a study of three topics within the framework of four key media concepts: **representations** which lead students to understand how individuals and organisations construct meaning, **conventions** which refer to the way in which messages are communicated within a particular medium, for example the arrangement of icons on an internet site, **organisations** and their reasons for producing text, for example to persuade people to adopt a particular view, and finally **audiences** who bring their own opinions and interpretations to the reading of a text.

These concepts provide a framework for research, analysis and production of assignments. The concepts also introduce students to, and support their understanding of contemporary media construction and dissemination, as well as the social impact of media texts and products.

Three topics from a choice of 14 must be studied. Topics may include: Photojournalism, Documentaries, Music and Media, Short Films, Cult Television/Film and others.

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have a school assessment component and an external assessment component.

#### School Assessment (70%)

- Folio (30%)
- Product (40%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Investigation (30%)

Students provide evidence of their learning through six or seven assessments, including the external component. Students undertake:

- Two or three media exploration assessments, and one media interaction study for the folio
- Two media products, each of which is supported by a producer's statement
- One investigation



# **Modern History**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Minimum B grade in Stage 1 English and a minimum C- grade in Stage 1 Modern History.

Stage 2 Modern History explores changes in the world since 1750. Students examine developments and movements, the ideas that inspired them and their short term and long-term consequences for societies, systems and individuals.

Students study one topic from 'Modern Nations' and one topic from 'The World since 1945', selected from the following list of topics:

#### **Modern Nations**

- Topic 1: Australia (1901–56)
- Topic 2: United States of America (1914–45)
- Topic 3: Germany (1918–48)
- Topic 4: The Soviet Union and Russia (1945–c.2004)
- Topic 5: Indonesia (1942–2005)
- Topic 6: China (1949–c.2012)

#### The World Since 1945

- Topic 7: The changing world order (1945–)
- Topic 8: Australia's relationship with Asia and the South Pacific Region (1945–)
- Topic 9: National self-determination in South-East Asia (1945–)
- Topic 10: The changing world order (1945–)
- Topic 11: Challenges to peace and security (1945-
- Topic 12: The United Nations and establishment of a global perspective (1945–)

In their study of a topic from 'Modern Nations', students investigate the concepts of 'nation' and 'state', and the social, political, and economic changes that shaped the development of a selected nation. Through their study, they develop insights into the characteristics of modern nations, crises, and challenges that have confronted them, ways in which nations have dealt with internal divisions and external challenges, and the different paths that nations have taken.

In their study of a topic from 'The World since 1945', students investigate the political, social, and economic interactions among nations and states, and the impact of these interactions on national, regional, and/or international development. They consider how some emerging nations and states sought to impose their influence and power, and how others sought to forge their own destiny.

### Assessment Requirements

## School-based Assessment (70%)

Historical Skills (50%)

Students complete five tasks; two from Modern Nations and three from The World since 1945. Maximum word limit: 5,000 words.

Historical Study (20%)

Students undertake an individual historical study based on as aspect of the world since 1750. Maximum word limit: 2,000 words.

#### External Assessment (30%)

Examination (30%)

Students complete a 2 hour written examination that is divided into two sections; Sources Analysis and Essay.

# Music Performance

Length		Full Year
SACE (	Credits	10 Credits each – Ensemble and/ or Solo
Prerequ	Prerequisites	Successful completion of Stage 2 Music Explorations.
		*May be studied offline

Students enrolled in Year 12 Music complete one or two 10-credit subjects: Music Performance Ensemble or Music Performance Solo.

In Ensemble Performance, students develop ensemble performance skills as well as aural perception, musical sensitivity, and an awareness of style, structure and historical conventions. They participate in regular rehearsals and performances, some of which may be outside school hours. Students liaise with the director to better understand artistic choices, contribute to the cohesiveness of the ensemble, and engage the audience.

In Solo Performance, students develop skills on a chosen instrument (including voice) and the applications of these skills, musical understanding, and aesthetic awareness as a soloist. The are given the opportunity to extend their technical and performance skills on their chosen instrument and to use this expertise as a means of developing musical expression.

Please note that students who undertake this subject are expected to be receiving individual lessons on an instrument or voice.

# Assessment Requirements

Assessment at Stage 2 consists of two school-based and one external component.

#### School Assessment (70%)

- Performance (30%)
- Performance (40%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Performance Portfolio (30%)

## **Nutrition**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Prerequisites	Successful completion of Stage 1 Nutrition or Stage 1 Biology with a B grade as a minimum.

Nutrition is a science which immerses students in the fundamentals of human nutrition, physiology and health and promotes investigation of current and emerging trends. It is the study of dietary, lifestyle, and healthy eating patterns with specific focus on nutrients in food, how the body uses nutrients, and the relationship between diet, health, and disease.

Students apply knowledge and understanding of nutrition to conduct investigations and examine scenarios. They use technologies, scientific evidence, and research to critically analyse information and make informed decisions or recommendations. Students develop critical literacy and numeracy skills and a deep understanding of nutrients to analyse diets that improve health outcomes for individuals, community groups, and/or society.

Students consider how the food and nutrition needs of different population demographics are affected by food availability and product development. Students examine political, economic, cultural, and ethical influences and ecological sustainability to recommend actions or develop arguments about future food needs and food ethics.

Students develop an understanding of the need to evaluate food systems and food quality standards, marketing of food, food availability, and cultural influences on food selection. Students explore the link between food systems, environmental impacts, climate change, and food sustainability. They suggest solutions to complex issues, informed by current research and Australian consumer-protection practices.

Students have opportunities to investigate contemporary issues of global and local food trends, advances in technology, and the development of new foods and food packaging. These issues will affect the future health and nutrition of populations.

#### Topics

- Principles of nutrition, physiology, and health
- Health promotion and emerging trends
- Sustainable food systems

### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Investigations Folio (30%)
- Skills and Applications Tasks (40%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Examination (30%)

# **Outdoor Education**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits
Cost	\$800

Students develop skills, knowledge, and understanding of safe and sustainable outdoor experiences in the key areas of preparation and planning, managing risk, leadership and decision-making, and self-reliance skills.

The study of Stage 2 Outdoor Education provides students with opportunities to experience personal growth and to develop social skills, self-confidence, initiative, self-reliance, leadership, and collaborative skills. They evaluate and reflect on their own learning progression, including their practical outdoor skills development and their collaborative and leadership skills, as well as their relationship with and connection to nature. Students use reflective practice and processes to implement improvement strategies in building their skills and connections.

Students study all three focus areas:

- Focus Area 1: Conservation and sustainability
- Focus Area 2: Human connections with nature
- Focus Area 3: Personal and social growth and development.

Students participate in outdoor activities and journeys in natural environments for a minimum total of nine days in the field.

Students undertake at least two journeys with a duration of at least three days in the field. The selected outdoor activities used across the outdoor journeys may include bushwalking, kayaking, mountain biking, rock climbing, snorkelling, orienteering or surfing.

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types:

## School Assessment (70%)

- Assessment Type 1: About Natural Environments (20%)
- Assessment Type 2: Experiences in Natural Environments (50%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

 Assessment Type 3: Connections with Natural Environments (30%)

**Requirements for Success:** An appreciation of outdoor pursuits and a respect for the environment are essential to skilful participation in Outdoor Education. Students should have a preparedness to participate in nine days of outdoor journeys and outdoor activities.

# **Physical Education**

Length	Full Year			
SACE Credits	20 Credits			
Recommendations	Successful completion (B- minimum) of a semester of Stage 1 Physical Education or Stage 1 Sports Science.			

In Stage 2 Physical Education, students explore the participation in and performance of physical activities. It is an experiential subject in which students explore their physical capacities and investigate the factors that influence and improve participation and performance outcomes, which lead to greater movement confidence and competence. By using an integrated approach students acquire an understanding 'in, about and through' physical activity.

Students participate in a variety of physical activity settings where they use movement to strengthen their understanding of biophysical, psychological, and sociocultural domains. Students use physical activity contexts as the vehicle for developing the capabilities and skills necessary to reflect on and critique their learning in order to enhance participation and performance outcomes.

Physical activities can include: sports, theme-based games, laboratories, and fitness and recreational activities. Classes can undertake a single-focus approach (e.g. single sport) or can undertake multiple sports, games, and/or activities. These activities may vary from year to year, depending on the strengths of the group, but usually involve a combination of sports such as: Touch Football, Badminton, Futsal, Cricket, Team Handball and Volleyball.

## Assessment Requirements

Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types:

## School Assessment (70%)

- Assessment Type 1: Diagnostics (30%) usually two tasks
- Assessment Type 2: Improvement Analysis (40%) one task

## External Assessment (30%)

Assessment Type 3: Group Dynamics (30%) - one task

There is no longer an exam for Stage 2 Physical Education.

# **Physics**

Length	Full Year		
SACE Credits	20 Credits		
Prerequisites	Minimum 'B' result in Stage 1 Physics or Stage 1 Physics (Astronomy + Medicine).		

In Physics, students integrate and apply a range of understanding, inquiry, and scientific thinking skills that encourage and inspire them to contribute their own solutions to current and future problems and challenges. Students also pursue scientific pathways, for example, in engineering, renewable energy generation, communications, materials innovation, transport and vehicle safety, medical science, scientific research, and the exploration of the universe.

The three strands of science to be integrated throughout student learning are:

- Science inquiry skills
- Science as a human endeavour
- Science understanding.

The topics for Stage 2 Physics are:

- Topic 1: Motion and Relativity Projectile Motion, Forces & Momentum, Circular Motion & Gravitation, & Relativity
- Topic 2: Electricity and Magnetism Electric Fields, Motion of Charged Particles in Electric Fields, Magnetic Fields, Motion of Charged Particles in Magnetic Fields, Electromagnetic Induction
- Topic 3: Light and Atoms Wave Behaviour of Light, Wave Particle Duality, Structure of the Atom, Standard Model

Students study all three topics.

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Investigations Folio (30%)
- Skills and Applications Tasks (40%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Examination (30%)



# **Psychology**

Length	Full Year		
SACE Credits	20 Credits		
Recommendations	Successful completion of at least one semester of study of Stage 1 Psychology with a B grade minimum.		

Stage 2 Psychology is offered as a full year, 20-credit course. Psychology aims to describe and explain both the universality of human experience and individual and cultural diversity. It also addresses the ways in which behaviour can be changed. It offers a means for making society more cohesive and equitable; that is, psychology offers ways of intervening to advance the wellbeing of individuals, groups, and societies. However, every change also holds the possibility of harm. The ethics of research and intervention are therefore an integral part of psychology.

The five topics for Stage 2 Psychology are:

**Topic 1: Psychology of the Individual** – Understanding how each individual is different and these differences manifest themselves in an individual's personality. Students study the different concepts of personality, personality assessment, and cultural and individual differences in personality.

**Topic 2: Psychological Health and Wellbeing** – Examines the positive and negative factors that affect psychological health, how people can be helped to cope with mental health issues and stress, and what they can do to increase their emotional and social wellbeing.

**Topic 3: Organisational Psychology** – Involves understanding the evidence-based study of organisations and particularly the work performance and job satisfaction of their members. It considers factors that affect work performance and job satisfaction at three levels: the individual, the group or team, and the organisation.

**Topic 4: Social Influence** – Examines the impact of the presence or absence of other people on behaviour; obedience and conformity; attitude formation and attitude change; prejudice and persuasion; and social media. This unit also looks at understanding the positive and negative effects of social media.

**Topic 5: The Psychology of Learning** – Understanding the different universal ways of learning such as: classical conditioning, operant conditioning, and learning through observation or instruction. Students will also understand the personal differences in the way we learn.

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

## School-based Assessment (70%)

- Assessment Type 1: Investigations Folio (30%)
- Assessment Type 2: Skills and Applications Tasks (40%)

## External Assessment (30%)

Assessment Type 3: Examination (30%)

Assessment at Stage 2 is both school-based and externally marked and moderated by the SACE Board. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment types. Assessment in Stage 1 Psychology will be based on evidence gathered as a result of planned investigations and Science as a Human Endeavour. Students will be required to collect and analyse both quantitative and qualitative data. These evidence-based procedures (i.e. observation, experimentation, and experience), will allow students to develop useful skills in analytical and critical thinking, and in making inferences.

# **Scientific Studies: Sports Science**

Length	Full Year		
SACE Credits	20 Credits		
Prerequisites	Minimum 'B' result in all science subjects studied at Stage 1 or 'B-' result in Stage 1 Physical Education.		

Exercise and Sports Science Stage 2 follows on from the learning in Stage 1. Stage 2 offers students a rare opportunity to begin to attain skills in sports analysis and apply these skills in the real world.

Possible topics covered throughout the year include:

- Sports Nutrition
- Sports Psychology
- Sports Injury

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components. Students will demonstrate their learning through a number of tasks within specific Assessment Types.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Inquiry Folio (50%)
- Collaborative Inquiry (20%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Individual Inquiry (30%)

# **Society and Culture**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

Students explore and analyse the interactions of people, societies, cultures and environments. They learn how social, political, historical, environmental, economic and cultural factors affect different societies; and how people function and communicate in and across cultural groups. Through their study of Society and Culture, students develop the ability to influence their own futures, by developing skills, values and understandings that enable effective participation in contemporary society. For this Stage 2 subject, students study three topics, one from each of the following topic groups.

Group 1 Topics: Culture

Group 2 Topics: Contemporary Challenges

Group 3 Topics: Global Issues

The key skills of social inquiry will be incorporated in the study of each topic. Students also undertake an investigation on a negotiated topic. The social inquiry approach to learning forms the core of the study of Society and Culture. Through the study of a topic, students develop skills in various approaches to, and methods of, investigating and analysing contemporary social issues. They become familiar with the limits and potential of these approaches and methods and with the ethical issues associated with them.

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

#### School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (50%)
- Interaction (20%)

#### External Assessment (30%)

Investigation (30%)

# **Sport Coaching - Certificate III**

Length	Full Year
Cost	\$1,450

This qualification enables students to acquire and apply skills in the development of themselves and others within a Sport Coaching context. Curriculum is delivered across both theoretical and practical settings. This program is part of our VET Partnership with the Australian College of Sport Course references are to both community sport, as well as the 'developing athlete'.

For students seeking to progress to SACE Stage 1 and 2 Physical Education, this Certificate offers elective units that introduce some of the key theoretical concepts for those subjects, in order to better prepare students for the learning outcomes.

The Certificate III in Sport Coaching reflects the role of individuals who apply the skills and knowledge to coach participants up to an intermediate level in a specific sport. This qualification provides a pathway to work in community coaching roles, either working or volunteering at community-based sport clubs, after School Programs and organisations in the Australian sport industry.

#### Content

Course references are to both community sport, as well as the 'developing athlete'. Key coaching topics across the individual's technical, tactical, physical and mental components of development are explored, and within the following sequence of learning: Learn to Learn, Learn to Train, Learn to Play, Learn to Compete.

## Assessment Requirements

Assessment is through the Australian College of Sport online learning platform and is ongoing throughout the year. This qualification carries a contribution of 65 Stage 2 credits and can be used towards a student's ATAR.

## Visual Arts - Art

Length	Full Year			
SACE Credits	20 Credits			
Recommendations	A sound background in English is essential to the theory component of this course and successful completion of one semester of Stage 1 Visual Arts – Art or Visual Arts – Design.			

Visual Arts engages students in conceptual, practical, analytical, and contextual aspects of creative human endeavour. It emphasises visual thinking, investigation, development of ideas and concepts, refinement of technical skills and production of imaginative solutions. An integral part of Visual Arts is the documentation of visual thinking. Students learn to communicate personal ideas, beliefs, values, thoughts, feelings, concepts, and opinions, provide observations of their lived or imagined experiences, and represent these in visual form.

Students have the opportunity to create artworks of their own choice using a variety of mediums appropriate to achieve their desired outcome. Projects can be 2D (paintings, drawings, prints) or 3D (sculptures and installations).

Three areas will be covered:

- Visual Thinking
- Visual Arts in Context
- Practical Resolution

#### Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

## School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (40%)
- Practical (30%)

## External Assessment (30%)

Visual Study (30%)



# Visual Arts - Design

Length	Full Year	
SACE Credits	20 Credits	
Recommendations	A sound background in English is essential to the theory component of this course and successful completion of one semester of Stage 1 Visual Arts – Art or Visual Arts – Design.	

In Visual Arts students express ideas through practical work using drawings, sketches, diagrams, models, prototypes, photographs and/or audio visual techniques leading to resolved pieces. Students have opportunities to research, understand and reflect upon visual artworks in their cultural and historical contexts.

**Visual Arts – Design** includes graphic and communication design, environmental design and product design. It emphasises defining the problem, problem solving approaches, the generation of solutions and/or concepts and the skills to communicate

A project brief is developed in consultation with the teacher and can be based upon the student's interests and strengths. Students may choose in a variety of different disciplines including photography, illustrations, production design, graphic design, fashion and architecture. Students are free to choose an appropriate medium to complete their final practical under the guidance of their teacher.

Three areas will be covered:

- Visual Thinking
- Visual Arts in Context
- Practical Resolution

## Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

## School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (40%)
- Practical (30%)

## External Assessment (30%)

Visual Study (30%)

# **Workplace Practices**

Length	Full Year
SACE Credits	20 Credits

This course allows the student to develop relevant industry knowledge and skills, through the incorporation of vocational and workplace learning. It builds upon the knowledge and skills acquired in the Stage 1 course. The course comprises Work Knowledge and Understanding through both classroom and practical learning.

Students have the option to study either Workplace Practices or Workplace Practices - High Performance Sport. Each course includes assessment tasks specifically designed for the context of that course.

Areas of study for this subject include:

**Industry and Work Knowledge** - Students develop knowledge and understanding of the nature, type, and structure of the workplace. Specific areas include, for example, the changing nature of work; industrial relations and legislation; safe and sustainable workplace practices; technical and industry-related skills; and issues in industry and workplace contexts.

**Vocational Learning** - Vocational learning is general learning that has a vocational perspective. It includes any formal learning in a work-related context outside Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) qualifications. Students undertake learning in the workplace to develop and reflect on their capabilities, interests, and aspirations and to reflect on the knowledge, skills, and attributes valued in the workplace.

## Assessment Requirements

All Stage 2 subjects have school-based and external assessment components.

## School-based Assessment (70%)

- Folio (25%)
- Performance (25%)
- Reflection (20%)

## External Assessment (30%)

Investigation (30%).





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