

# **MUIRFIELD HIGH SCHOOL**



## **SENIOR SCHOOL SUBJECT SELECTION GUIDELINES**

**For students and parents**

**Year 11 2024**

**HSC 2025**

# INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this booklet is to provide information and advice to students and their parents to assist them with the task of selecting appropriate subjects and courses for study in the Preliminary and Higher School Certificate courses.

In selecting subjects and courses, students should consider their interests, abilities and career aspirations. It is important to be realistic about one's strengths and weaknesses and to be motivated about the course of study selected.

Students should seek advice from their teachers, Year Adviser, Careers Adviser and the Deputy Principal.

For students planning tertiary studies, whether at University, TAFE, or private tertiary providers, it is essential to check entry requirements to institutions where students may wish to study. The entry requirements for the various institutions and courses are too numerous to list in this booklet. See the Careers Adviser for up-to-date information.

At Muirfield we always run a range of traditional academic, vocational and creative subjects. Our aim is to have a broad curriculum which best meets the needs of all students. However, not all subjects that are offered will necessarily run. Subjects will only operate if there are sufficient student numbers to do so.

Please note: some subjects have fees (for equipment, consumables etc.). Please consider these in your selection. The school offers fee-free courses for those who have difficulty meeting extra costs.

This booklet has been compiled to help you with these decisions.

Please read this booklet carefully and ask questions.

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## STAGE 6 SUBJECT CONTRIBUTIONS 2024 & 2025

To assist you in the selection process we have set out below the subject contributions for those subjects that have costs. These cover the purchase of materials used in the elective courses in Year 11. These costs will also be charged in Year 12. The funds are used to sustain these subjects, their consumable costs and the stimulating activities presented to our students. Since the school can purchase such things as chemicals, metal supplies, paints, seedlings and animal food in bulk, we are able to make savings and pass these onto the students through the different activities we teach. If these charges are not paid, then the student may be expected to supply the necessary materials himself/ herself in order to participate in their learning activities and so meet course requirements.

- VET Hospitality mandates that a uniform is purchased prior to commencement. Cost of the uniform will be approximately \$100. This is in addition to the subject contribution.
- *Sport Coaching* incurs a fee for CPR and First Aid course and accreditation (approx. \$80).
- *PDHPE* incurs a fee for CPR and First Aid course and accreditation (approx. \$80).

***Should your child have outstanding elective subject fees he/she will not be able to select a subject with a fee attached, rather he/she will need to select subjects that do not attract a subject fee. Please arrange to meet with the Principal to discuss any financial support needed.***

Elective Subject	2023 Amount
Agriculture	\$50
Biology	\$15
Chemistry	\$15
Dance	\$20
Design and Technology	\$60
Drama	\$20
Earth & Environmental Sciences	\$15
Economics	\$25
Enterprise Computing	\$40
Food Technology	\$60
Music	\$45
PDHPE	\$10
Physics	\$15
Visual Arts	\$80
Hospitality Kitchen Operations (VET)	\$150
Photography, Video & Digital Imaging	\$80

## SECTION 1—THE HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

The Higher School Certificate (HSC) is the highest educational award you can gain in NSW schools. It is an internationally recognised qualification that provides a strong foundation, whether you wish to pursue tertiary study, vocational training or employment.

### What is NESA?

In relation to the HSC, the NSW Educational Standards Authority:

- develops courses
- sets guidelines for school assessment tasks
- sets, organises and marks the HSC examinations
- calculates and records HSC marks
- issues the HSC and Record of Achievement to students
- gives advice to schools, employers and the public on educational issues

### Who is eligible for the HSC?

To be eligible for the HSC you need to:

- be enrolled at a NSW government school, or a registered and accredited non-government school, or a TAFE NSW institute
- study the right number and type of courses
- satisfactorily complete the course requirements, including any practical or project work, or work placement
- complete tasks set by your school for the assessment of each HSC course
- sit for the required HSC examinations

**All students studying an HSC course must also complete the HSC: All My Own Work program in ethical scholarship (or its equivalent).** This will ensure that you understand your rights and responsibilities in HSC assessment.

The Preliminary course comprises Terms 1-3 in Year 11. The HSC course commences Term 4, Year 11 and continues into Year 12, ending with the HSC examinations.

You can find out more about eligibility rules in the NESA publication, the Assessment, Certification and Examination (ACE) Manual, which can be found on the NESA website at:

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au>

It is also available in every NSW secondary school and TAFE NSW institute.

### What courses do you have to study?

At Muirfield, you must complete at least 12 **school based** Preliminary units (usually studied in Year 11) and 10 **school-based** HSC units (usually studied in Year 12). Most courses are worth 2 units although some, including HSC Extension courses, are 1 unit. The Year 11 component of a course must be completed before starting the HSC component.

In Year 11 and Year 12 your subject selection must include **at least**:

- two units of English
- six units of Board Developed Courses
- three courses of 2 units
- four different subjects

# Types of HSC Courses

## Board Developed Courses

Board Developed courses are developed by NESA. They are the most common type of course in NSW and are inclusive of Life Skills courses and VET Industry Curriculum Framework courses.

In Stage 6, there are a number of Life Skills courses across all KLAs for students to study.

In Stage 6, Board Developed courses:

- count as Board Developed unit credit towards a student's pattern of study
- have an HSC examination (except for Life Skills courses)
- can contribute towards the calculation of a student's ATAR (except for Life Skills courses).

## ATAR Course Categories

From 2025, all courses with an HSC examination will be eligible for inclusion in the ATAR calculation. This will now include the following previously Category B subjects offered at Muirfield:

- English Studies
- Hospitality
- Mathematics Standard 1 (Year 12 only)

### What is changing?

English Studies, Mathematics Standard 1, and VET courses with an HSC exam, e.g. Hospitality, are currently classified as Category B.

Previously, students could only have a maximum of 2 units of Category B courses contribute to their ATAR calculation.

The Universities Admission Centre (UAC) is removing this categorisation from the 2025 HSC onwards. Students will therefore have more courses contribute to their ATAR.

### What does this mean for students?

Students can undertake English Studies, Mathematics Standard 1 AND pursue more VET pathways while having the option of an ATAR pathway into university.

The ATAR will continue to be calculated on 2 units of English, plus the 8 best units.

### Requirements for English Studies and Mathematics Standard 1

There are optional HSC exams for English Studies and Mathematics Standard 1.

Students who wish to study English Studies or Mathematics Standard 1 who also want to obtain an ATAR must complete the optional HSC examination. HSC marks and performance bands for these courses are based on the HSC exam only, not school-based assessment.

## Board Endorsed Courses

A Board Endorsed course is one that is developed outside of NESA. Before they can be taught in schools, NESA must endorse these courses.

In Stage 6, these courses:

- count as Board Endorsed unit credit towards a student's pattern of study
- do not have have an HSC examination
- cannot contribute towards the calculation of a student's ATAR.

## Content Endorsed Courses

These are a type of Board Endorsed Course that are developed by NESA to cater for a wide candidature in areas of specific need not served by Board Developed Courses. When completed as HSC courses, Content Endorsed Courses are not externally examined and have an unmoderated school assessment mark recorded on the Higher School Certificate Record of Achievement.

## Vocational Education and Training and the HSC

Industry Curriculum Frameworks VET courses can be studied either at school or through TAFE NSW and other training providers. *The following VET courses are delivered at the school by teachers who have received accredited training:*

- *Hospitality Board Developed Course (ATAR eligible)*
- *Sport Coaching Board Endorsed Course (Non-ATAR)*

***These courses include a mandatory work placement component.***

VET courses contribute towards your HSC and Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) VET credentials, and are recognised by industry and employers throughout Australia. The Board Developed VET courses have an optional HSC examination, so if you choose to sit the examination your results can also count towards your ATAR. Board Endorsed courses do not have an optional examination and are Non-ATAR.

## Life Skills Courses

If you have special education needs you can earn your HSC by studying HSC Life Skills courses. There are specific entry requirements for the Life Skills courses and you still need to meet the general eligibility and study patterns to gain your HSC. You will need to talk with the Learning and Support Teacher to find out whether these courses are suitable for you. Life Skills courses do not count towards the ATAR.

**In Summary:**

<b>Board Developed Courses</b>	<b>Board Endorsed Courses</b>
HSC Examination except for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Optional examination in English studies, Mathematics Standard 1, VET Curriculum Framework courses</li><li>• All Life Skills courses</li></ul>	No HSC examination. School – based assessment only
May be included in the calculation of a student's ATAR	Not included in a student's ATAR calculation
Includes some VET courses	Includes some VET courses
Includes Life Skill Courses	



## **TAFE Delivered Courses**

TVET (TAFE delivered vocational education) courses are taught by TAFE teachers, generally at selected colleges of TAFE or online, and offer dual accreditation from NESA and TAFE. They offer both Board Developed and Content Endorsed courses. In addition to contributing to the number of units for the HSC, students successfully completing the courses are issued with a TAFE certificate. Agreements between NESA and TAFE allow students to gain advanced standing in a number of TAFE courses through their study for the HSC.

TVET courses generally take place in the afternoon. Admission to these courses requires separate application and students should consider transport arrangements and hours out of school BEFORE applying. An expression of interest for any TVET course will only be endorsed by the school for students who demonstrate the maturity and skills at school to engage effectively in the learning.

A recently launched pathway is the [Skills at school](#) program. Schools in NSW are able to offer 20 virtual, teacher-led vocational courses to Year 11 students across a range of emerging industry sectors. The courses focus on emerging skill needs, and include topics such as cloud computing, robotics, digital supply chain, health administration and cyber security. They comprise of weekly video conferences and access to digital content 24/7. Where applicable, some courses will also have face-to-face workshops. Virtual classroom sessions will occur weekly, and generally will be timetabled during the same time as other face-to-face TVET courses. The actual times and days that virtual courses will run will be dependent on the course, the number of students enrolled and their geographic location.

**Students attending TAFE in person will be required to present their TAFE Leavers Card when signing out during Period 3.**

**At Muirfield, students are allowed to request to enrol in ONE (1) TAFE course.** Enrolment is not always guaranteed.

Students may undertake courses through external providers, such as TAFE, which will provide the assessment schedules for external courses. At Muirfield, **all Year 11 students** must undertake **at least 12 school-based units** for the first semester, unless on an approved pathways program, and must make a serious attempt at all assessments for all courses. Requests to drop a school-based course which results in a student studying fewer than 12 school-based units in Year 11 may be made during Term 3. The decision will be at the school's discretion, with consideration given to application, behaviour and patterns of study.

Students may undertake courses through external providers, such as TAFE, which will provide the assessment schedules for external courses. At Muirfield, **all Year 12 students** must commence the year with **at least 10 school-based units**, unless on an approved pathways program, and must make a serious attempt at all assessments for all courses. Requests to drop a school-based course which results in a student studying fewer than 10 school-based units in Year 12 may be made during Term 1. The decision will be at the school's discretion, with consideration given to application, behaviour and patterns of study.

## **Can you change courses after you have started?**

Early in the year, the school submits to NESA the list of courses that are expected to be completed that year. There may be an opportunity for a small number of changes. Your Deputy Principal can discuss with you any changes.

## **What to consider when making your course choices**

You should choose courses that you are good at, interested in and may use in the future. Talk with your teachers about your strengths and weaknesses, as well as individual course requirements, before making your selections. Also, make sure you ask for information about any prerequisites for your future study or work plans. **If you want an ATAR, check that you are studying at least 10 units of Board Developed Courses. If the course does not have an external examination, it cannot be included in the ATAR.**

## **Where can you find information about the different HSC courses?**

The school has a list of the courses available for study in Years 11 and 12 in the Senior Subject Selection handbook and will be able to help you with course selection. Also, NESA publishes syllabuses for every Board Developed Course. Board syllabuses contain information about course content and assessment requirements. Some HSC courses also have prescribed texts, topics, projects and works that must be studied for the HSC. Make sure you are aware of the requirements of your courses by talking with your teachers and Year Adviser. Copies of Board syllabuses are provided to the school and are published on the NESA website.

## **Flexible study options with HSC**

### **Pathways**

Most students study the HSC over two years during Years 11 and 12. However, HSC Pathways offer a more flexible program for people who wish to combine their studies with employment or other commitments, such as family care or elite sporting or cultural pursuits.

### **Accumulation**

You can take up to five years to complete your HSC studies. The five-year period starts in the first year you complete an HSC course. At the end of the five-year period you need to have met all of the HSC requirements. The majority of Muirfield students complete their HSC in the traditional 2-year period. In exceptional cases, some students may accumulate the HSC over more than two years. These must have prior approval from the Principal.

### **Repeating courses**

You can repeat one or more HSC courses, but it must be within the five-year accumulation period. Results of all attempts will appear on your Record of School Achievement (RoSA). In calculating your Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR), the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) will use the marks from your most recent attempt. Repeating at Muirfield High School will only be considered in extenuating circumstances. The Principal makes the determination to allow a student to repeat.

### **Recognition of Prior Learning**

You may be granted credit transfer – that is, be able to count courses studied in educational institutions such as TAFE towards your HSC. You may also be granted advanced standing – that is, be exempted from some components of courses if you can show you have met the necessary outcomes in another way, e.g. overseas study.

### **School-based apprenticeships and traineeships (SBAT)**

You can combine HSC study with a part-time traineeship. Traineeships and apprenticeships combine paid work and training and lead to a recognised AQF VET credential. A school-based traineeship or apprenticeship counts towards the HSC.

## **Assessment**

Most Board Developed Courses have a school-based assessment component. Your school submits your assessment mark for each of your courses to NESA. Your assessment mark contributes in excess of 50% of your final HSC mark in courses where internal assessment marks are submitted.

For VET courses, you are assessed on your ability to complete relevant tasks. This assessment counts towards your AQF VET qualification but not towards your HSC mark.

## **What you need to know about school assessment**

The school will provide you with information on assessment policies and details of your assessment tasks, such as due dates and specific requirements. You will be given a copy of Muirfield's assessment program for each course containing the required tasks for that program. It is also available on-line on the school's website.

You can find out more about your HSC assessment rights and responsibilities at: HSC Assessments and Submitted Works – Advice to Students on the NESA website at:

<https://www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/rules-and-processes/>

## **Satisfactory completion of courses**

You must satisfactorily complete course requirements. You must apply yourself with diligence and sustained effort to the set task and experiences provided in the course. If you are not meeting requirements, you will be given written warnings and the opportunity to correct any problems.

## **Unsatisfactory completion of courses**

Students who do not apply themselves may be issued with "N-warnings". Students who continue to not apply themselves may be N-Determined in a course which means that course is not awarded to the HSC. Students not applying themselves across a range of subjects may face expulsion for unsatisfactory participation in post-compulsory studies.

## **Honesty in Assessment – The Standard**

### **HSC All My Own Work**

The following standard sets out the requirements for submitting your HSC assessments. You, your teachers and anyone who assists you with your work are required to comply with the standard.

The honesty of students in completing assessment tasks, examinations and submitted works, and of teachers and others in guiding students, underpins the integrity of the Higher School Certificate. Throughout the assessment process, the highest level of honesty is required.

Each student's mark will be determined by the quality of work produced by the student. To demonstrate honesty, any component of a student's work that has been written, created or developed by others must be acknowledged in accordance with NESA's subject-specific documentation. Use or inclusion of material from other sources such as books, journals and electronic sources, including the internet, must be acknowledged. General teaching and learning do not require formal acknowledgement.

Dishonest behaviour carried out for the purpose of gaining unfair advantage in the assessment process constitutes malpractice, or cheating. Malpractice in any form, including plagiarism, is unacceptable. NESA treats allegations of malpractice very seriously and detected malpractice will limit a student's marks and

jeopardise their HSC. Should malpractice be suspected, students will be required to demonstrate that all unacknowledged work is entirely their own. Serious and deliberate acts of malpractice amount to corrupt conduct and, where appropriate, will be entered on the NESA Malpractice Register.

These requirements should be read in conjunction with NESA syllabuses and policies on malpractice and satisfactory completion of a course. Details can be found on NESA's website at:

<https://ace.nesa.nsw.edu.au/higher-school-certificate/internal-assessment/honesty-in-assessment>.

## **HSC examinations**

Your HSC examinations contribute 50% of your final HSC mark. You must sit for your required examinations to receive your HSC. Most examinations for the HSC are written examinations, held in October and November each year. However, some courses have practical examinations and/or submitted works or projects, in addition to the written HSC examination. Talk with your Class teacher or Head Teacher about course requirements, before making your final course selections.

## **What are disability provisions?**

Disability provisions offer practical support to students with disabilities that affect their examination performance. They include arrangements such as large print or coloured examination papers, rest breaks, writers or readers. You should contact your Learning and Support Teacher if you wish to apply for disability provisions or if you need further information. There is also information on the NESA website at:

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/disability-provisions> .

## **Your HSC Results**

You will receive a summary of your HSC results in mid-December to support your decisions about your future.

## **How do your HSC results contribute towards university entry?**

Entry from Year 12 into University courses in NSW and the ACT generally depend on your ATAR. If you have requested an ATAR, the University Admission Centre (UAC) will use your HSC marks to calculate your ATAR. Your ATAR is not part of your HSC and is not calculated by NESA. Details of ATAR requirements can be found in the UAC Guide, published each year by UAC. You can phone UAC on (02) 9752 0200 or view the UAC website at:

[www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)

## **Useful websites**

**NSW Education Standards Authority:** [www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au](http://www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au)

**Students Online:** [www.studentsonline.nesa.nsw.edu.au](http://www.studentsonline.nesa.nsw.edu.au)

**Universities Admissions Centre:** [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)

**National Careers Institute:** [www.nci.dese.gov.au](http://www.nci.dese.gov.au)

**Training Services NSW:** [www.training.nsw.gov.au](http://www.training.nsw.gov.au)

**TAFE NSW:** [www.tafensw.edu.au](http://www.tafensw.edu.au)

**My Future – Occupations:** [www.myfuture.edu.au](http://www.myfuture.edu.au)

**Australian JobSearch:** [www.jobsearch.gov.au](http://www.jobsearch.gov.au)

**Life Launcher:** [www.lifelauncher.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lifelauncher.nsw.gov.au)

## **VET credit transfer**

The skills and knowledge you have gained through your HSC studies may be recognised by TAFE NSW and other registered training organisations. If you complete a VET qualification as part of your HSC you are eligible to apply for national recognition of this qualification with another registered training organisation.

## **Questions about the ATAR**

### **What is the ATAR?**

The Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) is a number between 0.00 and 99.95 with increments of 0.05. It is a rank that provides a measure of your overall academic achievement in the NSW HSC in relation to that of other students, and it helps universities rank applicants for selection. It is calculated by the universities and released by the University Admissions Centre (UAC). It is important to remember that the **ATAR is a rank, not a mark**.

Your ATAR indicates your **position relative to the students in your cohort**. An ATAR of 80.00 indicates that a student has performed well enough in the HSC to place them in the top 20 percent of the cohort group. It is important to note that the ranking depends solely on the student's performance in the HSC.

### **What is the ATAR used for?**

The ATAR is used by universities (either on its own, or in conjunction with other selection criteria) to rank applicants, because for the majority of courses there are more applicants than there are places available. The ATAR should not be used for any other reason, because its sole function is to help universities select students for admission.

### **Who receives an ATAR?**

ATARs are calculated for all ATAR-eligible students, but not all students are notified. Only NSW HSC students who indicate on their HSC entry forms that they wish to be notified of their ATAR will receive an ATAR Advice Notice from UAC. This will be available by logging into the UAC website on the date previously notified.

### **Am I eligible for an ATAR?**

To be eligible for an ATAR you must satisfactorily complete 12 Preliminary units and at least 10 units of ATAR - eligible courses. These ATAR courses must include at least:

- two units of English
- four Board Developed courses of two units or greater
- four subjects.

### **How is my ATAR calculated?**

Your ATAR is based on an aggregate of scaled marks in 10 units of ATAR courses comprising:

- your best two units of English and
- your best eight units from the remaining units.

The actual calculation of your ATAR is a complex process that begins with scaling your raw HSC marks and ends with **ranking** you among your entire Year 12 cohort.

## **When is my ATAR calculated?**

You will receive an ATAR the first year you satisfy the eligibility requirements. If you complete additional courses or repeat courses, your ATAR will be recalculated. Your most recent ATAR is the one used for selection purposes.

## **What is scaling?**

Scaled marks (not HSC marks) are used in the ATAR calculation, scaling is the first step in calculating the ATAR. It is necessary because HSC students take all kinds of different courses, and scaling allows courses to be compared fairly. We know that the same marks in different courses are not necessarily equal.

## **Can I find out what my scaled marks are?**

No. Scaled marks are not reported to students. They are determined during an interim phase in the calculation of the ATAR.

## **Can I work out what my ATAR will be from my HSC marks?**

No. Remember that your scaled marks (not your HSC marks) are used to calculate your ATAR, and your ATAR is not an average mark, it is a rank that indicates your position.

## **Which courses count towards my ATAR?**

Only ATAR courses can be used in the calculation of your ATAR. Your ATAR is therefore calculated from your aggregate of scaled marks from your ATAR courses, including two units of English and your best eight units from the remaining courses (according to the ATAR rules). Your ATAR Advice Notice tells you which of your courses were actually included in the calculation of your ATAR. Just by looking at your HSC marks, it is not possible to tell which courses will be included in your ATAR. Sometimes the course with the lowest HSC mark will not count, but this is not always the case.

## **Why is my ATAR low in comparison to my HSC marks?**

Your ATAR is not a mark but a number that indicates your position in relation to other students. Most HSC marks lie between 50 and 100 so that the middle students in most courses will receive a mark between 70 and 80. The middle Year 12 students will be likely to receive an ATAR of approximately 70.

## **Can I accumulate my courses?**

Yes, you can accumulate courses over a period of up to five years.

## **Can I choose certain courses to increase my ATAR?**

No. Scaling is carried out afresh each year, so the scaled means are different every year. It is a myth that choosing certain courses will increase your ATAR. When you choose your courses, you should think only about what you are interested in (usually what you are good at also) and what you need to do to prepare you for your course or career plans. The scaling process is designed to allow you to choose according to these principles and not, as far as university selection is concerned, be disadvantaged by your choice.

## **Is it true that if I study certain courses I can't get a high ATAR?**

No. There are students in every course who achieve high ATARs.

## **If I decide to discontinue at the end of Year 11, what should I consider?**

The most important thing to remember is whether you will still be eligible for an ATAR if you discontinue any courses. Remember, that in order to be eligible for an ATAR, students must satisfactorily complete at least 10 units of ATAR-eligible courses in Year 12.

## **Does the school I attend matter?**

No. The school attended does not feature in the ATAR calculation. The ATAR calculation is based only on marks provided by NESA; no other information is used.

## **Does my postcode matter?**

No.

## **Do I get a better ATAR if I study more units?**

This is a common question. While the data shows that students who study more units tend to gain higher ATARs, that is not necessarily the reason why. The relationship between number of units studied and ATAR might result from personal attributes including: interest, motivation, effort and time management. You cannot assume that simply by studying more units your ATAR will be increased.

## **If I'm eligible to get adjustment points, does my ATAR change?**

No. If universities allocate adjustment points they are not added to your ATAR.

Adjustment points are not ATAR points, they are just that – adjustment points. Adjustment points don't change your ATAR; adjustment points change your selection rank for a particular preference or course.

## **If adjustment points don't increase my ATAR, then how do they work?**

Universities allocate adjustment points in different circumstances. Examples include students with strong performance in HSC subjects, students who live or attend school in an area decided by the university and students who have applied for consideration through Educational Access Schemes.

For most Year 12 applicants, your selection rank for university entrance is your ATAR. However, if universities allocate adjustment points to you for a particular preference, then your selection rank for that preference includes ATAR plus adjustment points. As the adjustment point schemes for each university, and often for each course at the same university are different, then your selection rank can be different for each course you list in your course preferences.

## **How can I find out more?**

There's a lot more information about the ATAR on UAC's website at:

<https://www.uac.edu.au/index.php/future-applicants/atar/>

**Office hours:** 8.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday (Sydney time)

**Telephone:** +61 2 9752 0200

**Website:** [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)

## SECTION 2—CHOOSING SUBJECTS

### Why subject choice is important to you.

**A. For all students:**

Provided that you meet NESAs requirements, choose subjects you enjoy and have experienced success in. This will motivate you to work harder. Maximise the number of units you do in subjects in which you are capable and listen to your teachers' advice on the level of difficulty.

**B. For students who wish to enter the workforce immediately after leaving school:**

The subjects you choose in Stage 6 may determine the career direction you take, so select subjects that may help you with your preferred career choice or which you are interested in. Give yourself the widest possible range of options.

**C. For students who wish to do Tertiary Studies after they leave school, i.e. at a University or TAFE:**

Some school subjects are often recommended for studying certain tertiary courses. These subjects are called **assumed knowledge** subjects. You may find tertiary courses very difficult if you don't have this subject knowledge. Some school subjects may be compulsory for studying certain tertiary courses. These are called **prerequisite** subjects. Check with your Careers Adviser.

### Help with Subject Choices:

#### Your subject teachers

They can advise you on course content, course requirements, examination structure, assessments and practical work.

#### Deputy Principal

The Deputy Principal can advise you on the subject patterns you must take in order to satisfy NESAs requirements for both the Preliminary course and the Higher School Certificate course.

#### Head Teacher Senior Studies

The Head Teacher Senior Studies can provide guidance on the academic demands of your pattern of study and help you to develop strategies and plans to achieve your goals.

#### Careers Advisor

The Careers Advisor can help you obtain information on requirements for tertiary study and on the relationship of your school study with employment. The Careers Advisor can also provide general assistance with your decision-making.

#### Year Advisor

The Year Advisor can provide encouragement, welfare support and direction.

#### School Counsellor

The School Counsellor can help you with any matters related to mental and emotional wellbeing.

#### Your Parents/Carers

They can assist you by supporting you positively and by listening to you. If your parents/carers need more information, ask them to contact the school and arrange an appointment with the relevant teacher, Year Advisor, Counsellor or Careers Advisor.



## **What research do I need to do?**

Discuss subject content and requirements with current senior teachers and senior students.

Investigate career and employment opportunities, as well as appropriate training courses at university and TAFE levels.

Find out about private courses and “on-the-job” training. To do this you can use your school Careers Reference Centre, or ring up and visit tertiary training providers, and attend the CAREERS Expo, University and TAFE open days.

Go to the school Year 10 Careers Google Classroom (code touiqm6):

- Look at the UAC Steps to Uni Year 10 booklet
- Try the Subject Compass on the UAC website [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)
- Talk to employers, students and tertiary personnel.

The more you research the more informed you will be.

# BOARD DEVELOPED COURSES

<b>Preliminary and HSC Courses 2 unit</b>	<b>ATAR</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Preliminary extension Courses – 1 unit</b>	<b>HSC Extension Courses – 1 unit</b>
English Advanced English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL/D) English Standard English Studies	✓	English	English Extension	English Extension 1 English Extension 2
Agriculture	✓	TAS		
Ancient History	✓	HSIE		
Biology	✓	Science		
Business Studies	✓	HSIE		
Chemistry	✓	Science		
Dance	✓	CAPA/LOTE		
Design and Technology	✓	TAS		
Drama	✓	CAPA/LOTE		
Earth and Environmental Science	✓	Science		
Economics	✓	HSIE		
Food Technology	✓	TAS		
Information Processes and Technology	✓	TAS		
Japanese Continuers	✓	CAPA/LOTE		
Legal Studies	✓	HSIE		
Mathematics Standard (Year 11) Mathematics Standard 1 (Year 12) Mathematics Standard 2 (Year 12) Mathematics Advanced	✓	Mathematics	Mathematics Extension 1	Mathematics Extension 1 Mathematics Extension 2
Modern History	✓	HSIE		
Music 1	✓	CAPA/LOTE		
Personal Development. Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)	✓	PDHPE		
Physics	✓	Science		
Society and Culture	✓	HSIE		
Software Design and Development	✓	TAS		
Visual Arts	✓	CAPA/LOTE		

# Agriculture

<b>Course:</b> Agriculture	<b>Course No:</b> 15010
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>The Preliminary course incorporates the study of the interactions between the components of agricultural production, marketing and management, while giving due consideration to the issue of sustainability of the farming system. This is an 'on-farm', environment-oriented course.</p> <p>The HSC course builds upon the Preliminary course. It examines the complexity and scientific principles of the components of agricultural production. It places greater emphasis on farm management to maximise productivity and environmental sustainability. The Farm Product Study is used as a basis for analysing and addressing social, environmental, and economic issues as they relate to sustainability.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <p>Overview (15%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Farm Case Study (25%)</li> <li>• Plant Production (30%)</li> <li>• Animal Production (30%)</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC CourseCore (80%)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plant/Animal Production (50%)</li> <li>• Farm Product Study (30%)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Elective (20%)</b></p> <p>Choose ONE of the following electives to study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agri-food, Fibre and Fuel Technologies</li> <li>• Climate Challenge</li> <li>• Farming for the 21st Century</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>Practical experiences should occupy a minimum of 30% of both Preliminary and HSC course time.</p>	
<p><b>Elective Fee: \$50</b></p>	

# Ancient History

<b>Course:</b> HSC Ancient History	<b>Course No:</b> 15020
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<b>Course Description</b> <p>The Preliminary Course provides students with opportunities to develop and apply their understanding of methods and issues involved in the investigation of the ancient past. Students have the opportunity to engage in the study of a range of features, people, places, events and development of the ancient world.</p> <p>The HSC course provides students with opportunities to apply their understanding of archaeological and written sources and relevant issues in the investigation of the ancient past. Through a core study, students investigate the cities of Pompeii and Herculaneum and explore issues relating to reconstruction and conservation of the past. They also study the key features and sources of an ancient society, personality and historical period.</p>	
<b>Main Topics Covered</b>	
<b>Preliminary Course</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Investigating Ancient History (60%)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The Nature of Ancient History (at <i>least</i> ONE option)</li><li>○ Case Studies (at <i>least</i> TWO—one from Egypt, Greece, Rome or Celtic Europe AND one from Near East, Asia, the Americas or Australia)</li></ul></li><li>• Features of Ancient Societies (20%)</li><li>• Historical Investigation (20%)</li></ul>	
<b>HSC Course</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Core Study: Cities of Vesuvius – Pompeii and Herculaneum (25%)</li><li>• Ancient Societies (25%)</li><li>• Personalities in their Times (25%)</li><li>• Historical Periods (25%)</li></ul>	

# Biology

<b>Course:</b> Biology	<b>Course No:</b> 15030
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Biology is the study of living organisms, life processes and interactions between organisms and their environment.</p> <p>During the Preliminary and HSC Biology course students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop skills in applying the processes of working scientifically</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the Earth's biodiversity and the effect of evolution</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of heredity and genetic technology</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the effects of disease and disorders</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Topics Covered Preliminary Course</b> Working scientifically skills year 11</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cells as the basis of life</li> <li>• Organisation of living things</li> <li>• Biological diversity</li> <li>• Ecosystem Dynamics</li> </ul>	<p><b>HSC Course</b> Working scientifically skills year 12</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heredity</li> <li>• Genetic change</li> <li>• Infectious disease</li> <li>• Non-infectious disease and disorders</li> </ul>
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>Each module specifies content which provides opportunities for students to achieve the working scientifically outcomes. The modules in Preliminary and HSC Biology provide the skills content that must be addressed within and across each course. Teachers should provide opportunities based on the module content to develop the full range of skills content identified in the working scientifically skills modules.</p> <p>The Preliminary course includes a field study related to local terrestrial and aquatic environments. Students will complete a minimum of 80 indicative hours of practical experiences across Preliminary and HSC course time with no less than 35 hours in the HSC course. Practical experiences must include at least one open-ended investigation in both the Preliminary and HSC Courses.</p>	
<p><b>Elective Fee: \$15</b></p>	

# **Business Studies**

<b>Course:</b> Business Studies	<b>Course No:</b> 15040
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<b>Course Description</b> <p>Business activity is a feature of everyone's life. The Business Studies syllabus encompasses the theoretical and practical aspects of business in ways students will encounter throughout their lives. It offers learning from the planning of a small business to the management of operations, marketing, finance and human resource in large businesses.</p> <p>Contemporary business issues and case studies are embedded in the course to provide a stimulating and relevant framework for students to apply to problems encountered in the business environment. Business Studies fosters intellectual, social and moral development by assisting students to think critically about the role of business and its ethical responsibilities to society.</p>	
<b>Preliminary Course</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nature of business (20%) – the role and nature of business</li><li>• Business management (40%) – the nature and responsibilities of management</li><li>• Business planning (40%) – establishing and planning a small to medium enterprise</li></ul>	
<b>HSC Course</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Operations (25%) – strategies for effective operations management</li><li>• Marketing (25%) – development and implementation of successful marketing strategies</li><li>• Finance (25%) – financial information in the planning and management of business</li><li>• Human resources (25%) – human resource management and business performance</li></ul>	

# Chemistry

<b>Course:</b> Chemistry	<b>Course No:</b> 15050
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Chemistry is the study of the physical and chemical properties of matter, with a focus on substances and their interactions. Chemistry attempts to provide chemical explanations and to predict events at the atomic and molecular level.</p> <p>During the Preliminary and HSC Chemistry course students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop skills in applying the processes of working scientifically</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the fundamentals of chemistry</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the trends and driving forces in chemical interactions</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of equilibrium and acid reactions in chemistry</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the applications of chemistry</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Topics Covered Preliminary Course</b></p> <p>Working scientifically skills Year 11</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Properties and structure of matter</li> <li>• Introduction to quantitative chemistry</li> <li>• Reactive chemistry</li> <li>• Drivers of reactions</li> </ul>	<p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <p>Working scientifically skills Year 12</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equilibrium and acid reactions</li> <li>• Acid/Base reactions</li> <li>• Organic chemistry</li> <li>• Applying chemical ideas</li> </ul>
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>Each module specifies content which provides opportunities for students to achieve the working scientifically outcomes. The modules in Preliminary and HSC Chemistry provide the skills content that must be addressed within and across each course. Teachers should provide opportunities based on the module content to develop the full range of skills content identified in the working scientifically skills modules.</p> <p>Students will complete a minimum of 80 indicative hours of practical experiences across Preliminary and HSC course time with no less than 35 hours in the HSC course. Practical experiences must include at least one open-ended investigation in both the Preliminary and HSC Courses.</p>	
<b>Elective Fee: \$25</b>	

## Dance

<b>Course:</b> Dance	<b>Course No:</b> 15070
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Projects developed for assessment in one subject are not to be used either in full or in part for assessment in any other subject
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Students undertake a study of Dance as an art form. There is an equal emphasis on the components of Performance, Composition and Appreciation in the study of Dance.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <p>Students studying Dance bring with them a wide range of prior dance experience. Physical training and preparation of the body is fundamental and of paramount importance to the course and informs all three components of the course.</p> <p>Components to be completed are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performance (40%)</li> <li>• Composition (20%)</li> <li>• Appreciation (20%)</li> <li>• Additional (20%) (to be allocated by the teacher to suit the specific circumstances/context of the class).</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <p>Students continue common study in the three course components of Performance, Composition and Appreciation and also undertake an in-depth study of dance in one of the Major Study components, either Performance, Composition, Appreciation or Dance and Technology.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Core (60%): Performance 20%, Composition 20%, Appreciation 20%</li> <li>• Major Study (40%): Performance or Composition or Appreciation or Dance and Technology</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>The interrelation of the course components is a major feature in the study of dance as an art form and is emphasised throughout both courses.</p> <p>The published Course Prescriptions, which may change in total or in part every three years, indicate works and artists to be studied in the HSC Course in Core Appreciation and Major Study Appreciation.</p>	
<b>Elective Fee: \$20</b>	



# Design and Technology

<b>Course:</b> Design and Technology	<b>Course No:</b> 15080
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<b>Course Description</b> <p>The Preliminary course involves the study of both designing and producing. This is explored through areas such as design theory and practice, design processes, environmental and social issues, communication, research, technologies, and the manipulation of materials, tools and techniques. The course involves hands-on practical activities which develop knowledge and skills in designing and producing. The Preliminary course includes the completion of at least two design projects. These projects involve the design, production and evaluation of a product, system or environment and includes evidence of the design process recorded in a design folio. The design folio can take on a variety of different forms.</p> <p>The HSC course applies the knowledge and understanding of designing and producing from the preliminary course. It involves the development and realisation of a Major Design Project, a case study of an innovation, along with the study of innovation and emerging technologies. The study of the course content is integrated with the development of a Major Design Project, worth 60% of the HSC mark. This project requires students to select and apply appropriate design, production and evaluation skills to a product, system, or environment that satisfies an identified need or opportunity. The case study of an innovation requires students to identify the factors underlying the success of the innovation selected, analyse associated ethical issues and discuss its impact on Australian society.</p>	
<b>Main Topics Covered</b>	
<b>Preliminary Course</b> <p>Involves both theory and practical work in designing and producing. This includes the study of design theory and practice, design processes, factors affecting design and producing, design and production processes, technologies in industrial and commercial settings, environmental and social issues, creativity, collaborative design, project analysis, marketing and research, management, using resources, communication, manufacturing and production, computer-based technologies, occupational health and safety, evaluation, and manipulation of materials, tools and techniques.</p>	
<b>HSC Course</b> <p>Involves the study of innovation and emerging technologies, including a case study (20%) of an innovation and the study of designing and producing including a Major Design Project. The project folio addresses three key areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Project proposal and project management</li><li>• Project development and realisation</li><li>• Project evaluation</li></ul>	

## **Design and Technology (continued)**

### **Particular Course Requirements**

In the Preliminary course, students must participate in hands-on practical activities and undertake a minimum of two design projects. The projects will develop skills and knowledge to be further developed in the HSC course. Students will develop their knowledge of the activities within industrial and commercial settings which support design and technology and relate these processes to the processes used in their own designing and producing.

Each project will place emphasis on the development of different skills and knowledge in designing and producing. This is communicated in a variety of forms, but students should be encouraged to communicate their design ideas using a range of appropriate media.

In the HSC course the activities of designing and producing that were studied in the Preliminary course are synthesised and applied. This culminates in the development and realisation of a Major Design Project and a case study of an innovation. Students should select and use the wide range of skills and knowledge developed in the Preliminary course, appropriate to their selected project. They must also relate the techniques and technologies used in industrial and commercial settings to those used in the development of design projects.

**Elective Fee: \$60**

# Drama

<b>Course:</b> Drama	<b>Course No:</b> 15090
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Projects developed for assessment in one subject are not to be used either in full or in part for assessment in any other subject
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Students in Drama study the practices of Making, Performing and Critically Studying. Students engage with these components through collaborative and individual experiences.</p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <p>Content comprises an interaction between the components of Improvisation, Playbuilding and Acting, Elements of Production in Performance and Theatrical Traditions and Performance Styles. Learning comes from practical experiences in each of these areas.</p> <p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <p>Australian Drama and Theatre and Studies in Drama and Theatre involve the theoretical study through practical exploration of themes, issues, styles and movements of traditions of theatre, exploring relevant acting techniques, performance styles and spaces.</p> <p>The <b>Group Performance</b> (3-6 students) involves creating a piece of original theatre (8–12 minutes duration). It provides opportunity for each student to demonstrate his or her performance skills. For the <b>Individual Project</b>, students demonstrate their expertise in a particular area. They choose one project from Critical Analysis <b>or</b> Design <b>or</b> Performance <b>or</b> Script-writing <b>or</b> Video Drama.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improvisation, Play Building, Acting</li> <li>• Elements of Production in Performance</li> <li>• Theatrical Traditions and Performance Styles</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australian Drama and Theatre (Core content)</li> <li>• Studies in Drama and Theatre</li> <li>• Group Performance (Core content)</li> <li>• Individual Project</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>The Preliminary course informs learning in the HSC course. In the study of theoretical components, students engage in practical workshop activities and performances to assist their understanding, analysis and synthesis of material covered in areas of study. In preparing for the group performance, the published <i>Course Prescriptions</i> include a topic list which is used as a starting point. The Individual Project is negotiated between the student and the teacher at the beginning of the HSC course. Students choosing Individual Project Design or Critical Analysis must base their work on one of the texts listed in the published text list. This list changes every three years. Students must ensure that they do not choose a text or topic they are studying in Drama in the written component or in any other HSC course when choosing Individual Projects.</p>	
<b>Elective Fee : \$20</b>	

# Earth and Environmental Science

<b>Course:</b> Earth and Environmental Science	<b>Course No:</b> 15100
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Earth and Environmental Science is the study of the planet Earth, its processes and its environment.</p> <p>During the Preliminary and HSC Earth and Environmental Science course students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop skills in applying the processes of working scientifically</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the Earth’s systems</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the Earth’s processes and human impacts</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the evolving Earth</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the impacts of living on the Earth</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Topics Covered Preliminary Course</b></p> <p>Working scientifically skills Year 11</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earth’s resources</li> <li>• Plate tectonics</li> <li>• Energy transformations</li> <li>• Human Impacts</li> </ul>	<p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <p>Working scientifically skills Year 12</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earth’s processes</li> <li>• Hazards</li> <li>• Climate science</li> <li>• Resource management</li> </ul>
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>The Preliminary course includes field experience in the identification of landforms, rocks and soil types, as well as how biological factors interact to form the local environment. Students will complete a minimum of 80 indicative hours of practical experiences across Preliminary and HSC course time with no less than 35 hours in the HSC course. Practical experiences must include at least one open-ended investigation in both the Preliminary and HSC Courses.</p> <p>Each module specifies content which provides opportunities for students to achieve the working scientifically outcomes. The modules in the Preliminary and HSC Earth and Environmental Science provide the skills content that must be addressed within and across each course.</p>	
<p><b>Elective Fee: \$15</b></p>	

# Economics

<b>Course:</b> Economics	<b>Course No:</b> 15110
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Economics provides understanding for students about many aspects of the economy and its operations that are frequently reported in the media. It investigates issues such as why unemployment or inflation rates change and how these changes effect individuals in society.</p> <p>Economics develops students’ knowledge and understanding of the operation of the global and Australian economy. It develops the analytical, problem-solving and communication skills of students.</p> <p>There is a strong emphasis on the problems and issues in a contemporary Australian economic context within the course.</p>	
<p><b>Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Introduction to Economics:</b> The nature of economics and the operation of an economy</li> <li>2. <b>Consumers and Business:</b> The role consumers and business in the economy</li> <li>3. <b>Markets:</b> The role of markets, demand, supply, and competition</li> <li>4. <b>Labour Markets:</b> The workforce and the role of labour in the economy</li> <li>5. <b>Financial Markets:</b> The financial market in Australia, including the share market</li> <li>6. <b>Government in the Economy:</b> The role of the government in the Australian economy</li> </ol>	<p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>The Global Economy:</b> Features of the global economy and globalisation</li> <li>2. <b>Australia’s Place in the Global Economy:</b> Australia's trade and finance</li> <li>3. <b>Economic Issues:</b> Issues including growth, unemployment, inflation, wealth and management</li> <li>4. <b>Economic Policies and Management:</b> The range of policies to manage the economy</li> </ol>
<b>Elective Fee: \$25</b>	

## English (Advanced)

<b>Course:</b> English (Advanced)	<b>Course No:</b> 15140
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> English (Standard); English Studies; English (EAL/D)
<p><b>Course Description</b>  <i>English Advanced</i> is designed for students to undertake the challenge of higher-order thinking to enhance their personal, social, educational and vocational lives. These students apply critical and creative skills in their composition of, and response to, texts in order to develop their academic achievement through understanding the nature and function of complex texts.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b>  <b>Year 11 Course</b>            The course has two sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the common module <i>Reading to Write</i> is studied in both the Standard and Advanced courses. Students explore texts and develop skills in synthesis, evaluation and critical thinking,</li> <li>• there are two Advanced English modules, they are: <i>Narratives That Shape Our World</i> and <i>Critical Study of Literature</i>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 HSC Course</b>            The course has two sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the HSC common content <i>Texts and Human Experiences</i> consists of one module common in both the HSC Standard and the HSC Advanced courses where students analyse and explore texts and apply skills in synthesis.</li> <li>• in addition, there are three Advanced English modules, they are: <i>Textual Conversations</i>, <i>Critical Study of Literature</i> and <i>The Craft of Writing</i>.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b>            In the Year 11 English (Advanced) course students are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• explore a range of types of text drawn from: prose fiction; drama; poetry; nonfiction; film, media, multimedia texts,</li> <li>• undertake wide reading programs involving texts and textual forms composed in and for a variety of contexts,</li> <li>• integrate the modes of reading, writing, listening, speaking, and viewing and representing as appropriate.</li> </ul> <p>HSC English (Advanced) course requires the close study of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• at least <b>four</b> prescribed texts, one of which <b>must</b> be Shakespearean drama. The three other prescribed text are drawn from the following text types: prose fiction; drama or poetry; nonfiction or film or</li> <li>• multimedia texts,</li> <li>• a wide range of additional related texts and textual forms.</li> </ul>	

## English (Extension 1)

<p><b>Courses:</b> Preliminary English Extension 1 Course—1 unit of study for each Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course</p>	<p><b>Course No:</b> 15160</p>
<p><b>Prerequisites:</b> English Advanced</p>	<p><b>Exclusions:</b> English (Standard);EAL/D</p>
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Extension English provides a unique opportunity for students to explore ideas and forms in literature in a tutorial style context. In Extension English we engage with rich texts from a variety of time periods and we study the human condition as it is represented by great writers, film makers and poets in the English language.</p> <p>Extension English students develop a highly refined approach to critical and creative thinking. Many gain skills far beyond the experience of Advanced English students, and come to enjoy increased confidence in their capacity to critically read, write and think in all essay writing and creative subjects.</p> <p>There is a strong emphasis on academic research, self-directed learning and intellectual independence within the course.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary English Extension 1 Course</b> The course has two mandatory sections: Common Module: <i>Texts, Culture and Value</i> and a <i>Related Research Project</i>.</p> <p><b>HSC English Extension 1 Course</b> The course has two sections: Common Module <i>Literary Worlds</i> and one elective module.</p> <p><b>HSC English Extension 2 Course</b> This course requires student to complete a Major Work. Major works include, but are not limited to: creative non-fiction, short story, short film and speeches.</p>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary English Extension 1 Course</b> students are required to examine a key text from the past and its manifestations in one or more popular cultures. Students also explore, analyse and critically evaluate different examples of such appropriations, in a range of contexts and media.</p> <p><b>HSC English Extension 1 Course</b> requires the study of prescribed texts (as outlined in the prescriptions document, HSC English 2019–2023 Electives and Prescribed Texts).</p> <p><b>HSC English Extension 2 Course</b> require completion of a Major Work and a Statement of Reflection.</p>	

## English (Standard)

<b>Course:</b> English (Standard)	<b>Course No:</b> 15130
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> English (Advanced); English (EAL/D); English (Extension)
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>English Standard is designed for all students to refine their expertise in English and consolidate their English literacy skills in order to enhance their personal, social, educational and vocational lives. The students learn to respond to and compose a wide variety of texts in a range of situations in order to be effective, creative and confident communicators.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Year 11 Course</b></p> <p>The course has two sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the common module <i>Reading to Write</i> is studied in both the Standard and Advanced courses. Students explore texts and develop skills in synthesis, evaluation and critical thinking,</li> <li>• and two Standard modules, they are: <i>Contemporary Possibilities</i> and <i>Close Study of Literature</i>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 HSC Course</b></p> <p>The course has two sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the HSC common content <i>Texts and Human Experiences</i>, consists of one module common in both the HSC Standard and the HSC Advanced courses, where students analyse and explore texts and apply skills in synthesis,</li> <li>• in addition, there are three (3) Standard Modules, they are: <i>Language, Identity, and Culture</i>, <i>Close Study of Literature</i> and <i>Craft of Writing</i>.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>Year 11 English (Standard) Course students are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• study Australian and other texts and explore a range of types of text drawn from: prose fiction, drama, poetry, nonfiction, film, media and multimedia texts. Students undertake wide reading programs involving texts and textual forms composed in and for a variety of modes such as multimodal, reading, writing, listening, speaking, and viewing and representing.</li> </ul> <p>Year 12 HSC English (Standard) Course requires the close study of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• at least <b>three</b> types of prescribed text, one drawn from each of the following text types: prose fiction; drama or poetry; film or media or nonfiction texts, and a wide range of additional related texts and textual forms.</li> </ul>	



## English (Studies)

<b>Course:</b> English Studies	Course No: 15125
2 units for Preliminary and 2 units for HSC years (optional HSC Exam) Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> English (Standard); English (Advanced); English (EAL/D); English (Extension)
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>This course is designed to meet the specific needs of students who are seeking an alternative to the English (Standard) Course and who intend to proceed from school directly into employment or vocational training. Students considering choosing this course should be advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English Studies is a Stage 6 Board Developed Course with an optional HSC examination.</li> <li>• satisfactory completion of English Studies will fulfil English pattern-of-study requirements for the Higher School Certificate. English Studies will also count toward the six units of Board Developed Courses required for the award of the Higher School Certificate</li> <li>• students who complete the course will be eligible for the calculation of an ATAR if they sit for the optional HSC exam and have a further 8 units in their pattern of study.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• students will study a total of 3-5 modules (including the mandatory module).</li> <li>• The mandatory module is “Achieving Through English - English in education, work and community.”</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• students will study a total of 3-5 different modules (including the mandatory module)</li> <li>• The mandatory module is “Texts and Human Experiences.”</li> </ul> <p>The additional modules for both the Preliminary and HSC courses are selected from a list of elective modules within the syllabus. The elective modules may be studied in either course.</p>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>In each of the PRELIMINARY and HSC course students are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• read, view, listen to and compose a wide range of texts, including print texts and multi-modal texts,</li> <li>• undertake study of at least one substantial print text and at least one substantial multi-modal text,</li> <li>• be involved in planning, research and presentation activities as part of one individual and/or one collaborative project,</li> <li>• engage with the community through avenues such as visits, surveys, interviews, work experience, listening to guest speakers and/or excursions,</li> <li>• develop a portfolio of texts they have planned, drafted, edited and presented in written, graphic and electronic forms across all the modules undertaken during the year.</li> </ul>	

## English (as an additional language or dialect)

<b>Course:</b> English as an Additional Language or Dialect	<b>Course No:</b> 15155
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> English (Standard); English (Advanced); English (Extension)
<p><b>Eligibility</b> - The EAL/D course may be studied by any student who has been educated overseas or in an Australian educational institution with English as the language of instruction for 5 years or less <u>prior</u> to commencing the Year 11 course.</p>	
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>English EAL/D is designed for students from diverse non-English speaking, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander backgrounds as designated by the course entry requirements. The students engage in a variety of language learning experiences to develop and consolidate their use, understanding and appreciation of Standard Australian English to enhance their personal, social, educational and vocational lives. The students learn to respond to and compose a wide variety of texts in a range of situations in order to be effective, creative and confident communicators.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Year 11 Course:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• students will study the modules, <i>Language and Texts in Context</i>, <i>Close Study of Text</i> and <i>Text and Society</i>.</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 HSC Course:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• students will study four modules, they are: <i>Texts and Human Experiences</i>, <i>Language, Identity and Culture</i>, <i>Close Study of Text</i> and <i>Focus on Writing</i>.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>In the Preliminary English (EAL/D) course students are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• study Australian and other texts,</li> <li>• explore a range of types of text drawn from: prose fiction; drama; poetry; nonfiction; film, media, multimedia texts,</li> <li>• undertake wide reading programs involving texts and textual forms composed in and for a variety of contexts,</li> <li>• integrate the modes of reading, writing, listening, speaking, and viewing and representing as appropriate,</li> <li>• engage in the integrated study of language and text.</li> </ul> <p>In the HSC English (EAL/D) Course students are required to study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• at least three types of prescribed texts drawn from: prose fiction; drama; poetry; nonfiction; film or media or multimedia texts</li> <li>• a wide range of additional related texts and textual forms.</li> </ul>	

## **Enterprise Computing**

<b>Course:</b> Enterprise Computing	<b>Course No:</b> TBA
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> None
<p><b>Course Description</b>  This new, Year 11, course provides students with the opportunity to develop and apply an understanding of enterprise computing systems in the safe and secure usage and storage of data. This is done by manipulating tools and resources while being aware of their social, ethical and legal implications.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interactive Media and User Experience (33%)</li> <li>• Network Systems and Social Computing (33%)</li> <li>• Principles of Cyber Security (33%)</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data Science (25%)</li> <li>• Data Visualisation (25%)</li> <li>• Intelligent Systems (25%)</li> <li>• Enterprise Project (25%)</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>There is no prerequisite study for the 2-unit Preliminary course. Completion of the 2-unit Preliminary course is a prerequisite to the study of the 2 unit HSC course.</p> <p>The percentage values in each course refer to indicative course time. A minimum of 40% course time is to be devoted to the integration of content into project work in both Preliminary and HSC Courses. It is also expected that a significant proportion of time be devoted to integrated practical activities.</p> <p>Students are expected to bring their own laptop, to complete work in class, and to install, Department of Education provided, application software for use in class.</p>	
<b>Elective Fee: \$40</b>	

# Food Technology

<b>Course:</b> Food Technology	<b>Course No:</b> 15180
2 units for each of the Preliminary and HSC Board Developed Course	Exclusions: Nil
<p><b>Course Description:</b>  <b>The Preliminary course</b> will develop knowledge and understanding about food preparation, presentation and diets for optimum nutrition, the functional properties of food, safe preparation, presentation and storage of food, sensory characteristics of food, the influences of food availability, and factors affecting food selection. Practical skills in planning and presenting food are integrated throughout the content areas.</p> <p><b>The HSC course</b> involves the study of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sectors, aspects, policies and legislations of the Australian Food Industry;</li> <li>• Production, processing, preserving, packaging, storage and distribution of food;</li> <li>• Factors impacting, reasons, types, steps and marketing of food product development;</li> <li>• Nutrition incorporating diet and health in Australia and influences on nutritional status.</li> </ul> <p>Practical experiences in developing, preparing, experimenting and presenting food are integrated throughout the course.</p> <p>This knowledge enables students to make informed responses to changes in the production to consumption continuum and exert an influence on future developments in the food industry as educated citizens and in their future careers.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topic Covered</b>  <b>Preliminary Course:</b>          Food availability and selection          Food Quality Nutrition</p> <p><b>HSC Course</b>          The Australian Food Industry Food Manufacture          Food Product Development Contemporary Nutrition Issues</p>	
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<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b>          It is a mandatory requirement that students undertake practical activities. Such experimental learning activities are specified in the <b>learn to</b> section of each strand.</p>	
<b>Elective Fee: \$60</b>	

## Japanese Continuers

<b>Course:</b> Japanese Continuers	<b>Course No:</b> 15830								
<p>2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course</p> <p><b>Prerequisites:</b> RoSA Japanese or equivalent knowledge is assumed.</p>	<p><b>Exclusions:</b> Japanese Beginners; Japanese in Context; Japanese and Literature. Strict eligibility rules apply to the study of this subject.</p>								
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>The Preliminary and HSC courses have, as their organisational focuses, prescribed themes and related mandatory topics. Students' skills in, and knowledge of Japanese will be developed through tasks associated with a range of texts and text types, which reflect the themes and topics. Students will also gain an insight into the culture and language of Japanese-speaking communities through the study of a range of texts.</p>									
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<p>Students' language skills are developed through tasks such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conversation</li> <li>• Responding to an aural stimulus</li> <li>• Responding to a variety of written material</li> <li>• Writing for a variety of purposes</li> <li>• Studying the culture of Japanese-speaking communities through texts</li> </ul>									

# Legal Studies

<b>Course:</b> Legal Studies	<b>Course No:</b> 15220
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<b>Course Description</b> <p>The Preliminary course develops students' knowledge and understanding of the nature and functions of law and law-making, the development of Australian and international legal systems, the Australian constitution and law reform. It examines an individual's rights and responsibilities, how disputes are resolved and examines a contemporary issue concerning the individual and technology. Students have the opportunity to investigate issues that illustrate how the law operates in practice. This is achieved by investigating, analysing and synthesising legal information and investigating legal issues from a variety of perspectives.</p> <p>The HSC course investigates the key areas of law, justice and human rights through a variety of focus studies which consider how changes in societies influence law reform.</p>	
<b>Preliminary Course</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Part I – The Legal System (40% of course time)</li><li>• Part II – The Individual and the Law (30% of course time)</li><li>• Part III – The Law in Practice (30% of course time)</li></ul> <p>The Law in Practice unit is designed to provide opportunities for students to deepen their understanding of the principles of law covered in the first sections of the course. <b>This section may be integrated with Part I and Part II.</b></p>	
<b>HSC Course</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Core Part I: Crime (30% of course time)</li><li>• Core Part II: Human Rights (20% of course time)</li><li>• Part III: Two options (50% of course time)</li></ul> <p><b>Two</b> options are chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consumers</li><li>• Global Environment and Protection</li><li>• Family</li><li>• Indigenous peoples</li><li>• Shelter</li><li>• Workplace</li><li>• World order</li></ul> <p>Each topic's <b>themes and challenges</b> should be integrated into the study of the topic.</p>	
<b>Particular Course Requirements</b> <p>No special requirements</p>	

## Mathematics (Advanced)

<b>Course:</b> Mathematics (Advanced)	<b>Course No:</b> 15255
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Mathematics Standard Numeracy
<p><b>Prerequisites</b></p> <p>For students who intend to study the Mathematics Advanced course, it is necessary that they have success in the study of <i>Real Numbers, Algebraic Techniques, Trigonometry and Data</i> from Stage 5.3 of <i>Mathematics Years 7–10 Syllabus</i>, if not all of the content.</p> <p>5.2 students would need to undertake a rigorous revision routine to complete all 5.3 content missed in Years 9 and 10, that is prerequisite knowledge for Advanced Mathematics.</p>	
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>The course is intended to give students who have demonstrated competence in the skills of Stage 5 Mathematics an understanding of and competence in some further aspects of mathematics which are applicable to the real world. This is a calculus based course giving students skills and competence in graphing and associated applications. It has general educational merit and is also useful for concurrent studies in Science and Commerce. The course is a sufficient basis for further studies in mathematics as a minor discipline at tertiary level in support of courses such as the life sciences or commerce. Students who require substantial mathematics at a tertiary level, supporting the physical sciences, computer science or engineering, should also undertake the Mathematics Extension 1 course.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Year 11 Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functions</li> <li>• Trigonometric Functions</li> <li>• Calculus</li> <li>• Exponential and Logarithmic Functions</li> <li>• Statistical Analysis</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functions</li> <li>• Trigonometric Functions</li> <li>• Calculus</li> <li>• Financial Mathematics</li> <li>• Statistical Analysis</li> </ul>	

# Mathematics (Extension 1)

<b>Course:</b> Mathematics Extension 1	<b>Course No:</b> 15250
1 unit in each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Mathematics Standard Numeracy
<p><b>Prerequisites</b></p> <p>You must be studying Mathematics Advanced in order to study Mathematics Extension 1.</p> <p>For students who intend to study the Mathematics Extension 1 course, it is recommended that they have seen some of the Stage 5.3 optional topics including <i>Polynomials, Functions &amp; Other Graphs and Logarithms</i>, and of <i>Mathematics Years 7–10 Syllabus</i>.</p>	
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>The content of this course and its depth of treatment indicate that it is intended for students who have demonstrated a mastery of the skills of Stage 5.3 Mathematics and are interested in the study of further skills and ideas in Mathematics. The course is intended to give these students a thorough understanding of and competence in aspects of Mathematics, including many which are applicable to the real world. It has general educational merit and is also useful for concurrent studies of Science, Engineering and Statistics. The course is a recommended minimum basis for further studies in Mathematics as a major discipline at a tertiary level and for the study of mathematics in support of the physical and engineering sciences. Students of outstanding mathematical ability should consider undertaking the Mathematics Extension 2 course. Advice will be given, and invitations issued to students showing the ability and passion for this course.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Year 11 Mathematics Extension 1 Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functions</li> <li>• Trigonometric Functions</li> <li>• Calculus</li> <li>• Combinatorics</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 Mathematics Extension 1 Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof</li> <li>• Vectors</li> <li>• Trigonometric Functions</li> <li>• Calculus</li> </ul> <p>Statistical Analysis</p>	



## Mathematics (Standard)

<b>Course:</b> Preliminary Mathematics Standard, HSC Mathematics Standard 2	<b>Course No:</b> 15236
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Students may <b>not</b> study any other Stage 6 Mathematics course in conjunction with Mathematics Standard.
<p><b>Prerequisites</b></p> <p>For students who intend to study the Standard 2 Mathematics course, it is recommended Stage 5.2 level <i>Mathematics Years 7–10 Syllabus</i>, particularly with skills in the <i>Patterns and Algebra</i> and <i>Trigonometry</i>, if not all of the content.</p>	
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Standard Mathematics focuses on mathematical skills and techniques which have direct application to everyday activity. The course content is written in five areas of study, with an emphasis on application of specific skills and on tasks that involve integrating mathematical skills and techniques across a range of familiar and unfamiliar situations. These tasks may draw from more than one area of study, and encourage transfer of knowledge across the entire course, as well as linking with study in other Stage 6 subjects.</p> <p>The course is fully prescribed, and is designed to support TAFE and other vocational courses. It provides an appropriate mathematical background for students who <b>do not</b> wish to pursue the formal study of mathematics at tertiary level, while giving a strong foundation for university study in the areas of business, humanities, nursing, early childhood and primary education and paramedical sciences.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Year 11 Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Algebra</li> <li>• Measurement</li> <li>• Financial Mathematics</li> <li>• Statistical Analysis</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Algebra</li> <li>• Measurement</li> <li>• Financial Mathematics</li> <li>• Statistical Analysis</li> </ul> <p>Networks</p>	

# Modern History

<b>Course:</b> HSC Modern History	<b>Course No:</b> 15270
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<b>Course Description</b> <p>The Preliminary course is structured to provide students with opportunities to <i>develop</i> and <i>apply</i> their understanding of methods and issues involved in the investigation of modern history. Students investigate various aspects of the modern world, including people, ideas, movements, events and developments.</p> <p>The HSC course is structured to provide students with opportunities to <i>apply</i> the understanding of sources and relevant historiographical issues in the investigation of the modern world</p>	
<b>Preliminary Course</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Investigating Modern History (50%) The Nature of Modern Case Studies (at least TWO—one from Europe, North America or Australia <i>and</i> at least one from Asia, the Pacific, Africa, the Middle East or Central/South America).</li><li>Historical Investigation (20%)</li><li>The Shaping of the Modern World (30%)</li></ul>	
<b>HSC Course</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Core Study: Power and Authority in the Modern World [1919-1946] (25%)</li><li>National Studies (25%)</li><li>Peace and Conflict (25%)</li><li>Change in the Modern World (25%)</li></ul>	

# Music 1

<b>Course:</b> Music 1	<b>Course No:</b> 15290
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Music 2
<b>Course Description</b> <p>In the Preliminary and HSC courses, students will study the concepts of music through the learning experiences of performance, composition, musicology and aural within the context of a range of styles, periods and genres. In addition to the core learning experiences, students will develop skills to critically evaluate music, understand the impact of technology on music and develop personal values about music. At the end of the course students should have the skills, understanding and experiences for music making to have a significant continual role in their lives.</p>	
<b>Main Topics Covered</b> <p>Students study three topics in each year of the course. Topics are chosen from a list of 21 which covers a range of styles, periods and genres.</p>	
<b>Particular Course Requirements</b> <b>HSC course</b> <p>In addition to core studies in performance, composition, musicology and aural, students select <b>three</b> electives from any combination of performance, composition and musicology. These electives must represent <b>each</b> of the three topics studied in the course. Students will also be required to present one additional performance either as a soloist or part of an ensemble on an instrument (including voice) of their choice. This piece will be presented at a public performance during the year.</p> <p>Students selecting Composition electives will be required to compile a portfolio of work as part of the process of preparing a submitted work. The portfolio may be requested by NESAs to validate authorship of the submitted work.</p>	
<b>Elective Fees: \$45</b>	

## Personal Development, Health, and Physical Education

<b>Course:</b> Personal Development, Health, and Physical Education	<b>Course No:</b> 15320
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>The Preliminary course examines a range of areas that underpin health and physical activity. This includes how people think about health and physical activity, the management of personal health and the basis for how the body moves. Students have the opportunity to select from a range of practical options in areas such as first aid, outdoor recreation, composing and performing, and fitness choices.</p> <p>In the HSC course, students focus on major issues related to Australia’s health status. They also look at factors that affect physical performance. They undertake optional study from a range of choices. This includes investigating the health of young people or of groups experiencing health inequities. In other options, students focus on improved performance and safe participation by learning about advanced approaches to training or sports medicine concepts. There is also an opportunity to think critically about the factors that impact on sport and physical activity in Australian society.</p>	
<p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <p><b>Core Topics (60%)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Better Health for Individuals</li> <li>• The Body in Motion</li> </ul> <p><b>Optional Component (40%)</b></p> <p>Students select <b>two</b> of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Aid</li> <li>• Composition and Performance</li> <li>• Fitness Choices</li> <li>• Outdoor Recreation</li> </ul>	<p><b>HSC Course</b></p> <p><b>Core Topics (60%)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Priorities in Australia</li> <li>• Factors Affecting Performance</li> </ul> <p><b>Optional Component (40%)</b></p> <p>Students select <b>two</b> of the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Health of Young People</li> <li>• Sport and Physical Activity in Australian Society</li> <li>• Sports Medicine</li> <li>• Improving Performance</li> <li>• Equity and Health</li> </ul>
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>In addition to core studies, students select <b>two</b> options in each of the Preliminary and HSC courses. <b>Students will be required to complete a First Aid course delivered by an external provider at an approximate cost of \$80</b></p>	
<p><b>Elective Fees: \$10</b></p>	

# Physics

<b>Course:</b> Physics	<b>Course No:</b> 15330
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Physics investigates natural phenomena, identifies patterns and applies models, principles and laws to explain their behaviour.</p> <p>During the Preliminary and HSC Physics course students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop skills in applying the processes of working scientifically</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of fundamental mechanics</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of energy</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of advanced mechanics and electromagnetism</li> <li>• Develop knowledge and understanding of the role of evidence and prediction in the development of theories in Physics.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Topics Covered:</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course</b> Working scientifically skills—Year 11</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kinematics</li> <li>• Dynamics</li> <li>• Waves and Thermodynamics</li> <li>• Electricity and Magnetism</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC Course</b> Working scientifically skills—Year 12</p> <p><b>Core Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advanced Mechanics</li> <li>• Electromagnetism</li> <li>• The Nature of Light</li> </ul> <p>From the Universe to the Atom</p>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>Each module specifies content which provides opportunities for students to achieve the working scientifically outcomes. The modules in Preliminary and HSC Physics provide the skills content that must be addressed within and across each course. Teachers should provide opportunities based on the module content to develop the full range of skills content identified in the working scientifically skills modules.</p> <p>Students will complete a minimum of 80 indicative hours of practical experiences across Preliminary and HSC course time with no less than 35 hours in the HSC course. Practical experiences must include at least one open-ended investigation in both the Preliminary and HSC Courses.</p>	
<b>Elective Fees: \$15</b>	

# Society and Culture

<b>Course:</b> Society and Culture	<b>Course No:</b> 15350
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Nil
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p>Society and Culture deals with areas of interest and relevance to students and develops knowledge, understanding, skills, values and attitudes essential to an appreciation of the social world. The interaction of persons, society, culture, environment and time and how they shape human behaviour is a central theme of study. Students develop an understanding of research methodologies and undertake research in an area of particular interest to them.</p> <p>The research findings are presented for external assessment in the Personal Interest Project (PIP).</p>	
<p><b>Preliminary Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Social and Cultural World – the interaction between aspects of society and cultures.</li> <li>• Personal and Social Identity – socialisation and coming of age in a variety of social and cultural settings.</li> <li>• Intercultural Communication – how people in different cultures interact and communicate.</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC CourseCore</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social and Cultural Continuity and Change (30%)– the nature, continuity and change, research and study of a selected country.</li> <li>• The Personal Interest Project (30%) - an individual research project.</li> </ul> <p><b>Depth Studies</b></p> <p>Two to be chosen from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Popular Culture (20%) - the interconnection between individuals and popular culture.</li> <li>• Belief Systems and Ideologies (20%) - the relationship of belief systems and ideologies to culture and society.</li> <li>• Social Interaction and Exclusion (20%) - the nature of social inclusions and exclusion and the implications for individuals and groups in societies and cultures.</li> <li>• Social conformity and Nonconformity (20%) - the formation of and influence on, attitudes and behaviours of groups and their members, including factors influencing conformity and the role and responses to nonconformity.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p>Completion of Personal Interest Project - (40% of HSC mark).</p>	

# Visual Arts

<b>Course:</b> Visual Arts	<b>Course No:</b> 15400
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCBoard Developed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Projects developed for assessment in onesubject are not to be used either in full or in part for assessment in any other subject.
<p><b>Course Description</b>            Visual Arts involves students in art making, art criticism and art history. Students develop their own art works, culminating in a 'body of work' in the HSC course. Students critically and historically investigate art works, critics, historians and artists from Australia as well as those from other cultures, traditions and times. The Preliminary course is broadly focused, while the HSC course provides for deeper and more complex investigations. While the course builds on Visual Arts courses in Stages 4 and 5, it also caters for students with more limited experience in Visual Arts.</p>	
<p><b>Preliminary Course</b>            Learning opportunities focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the nature of practice in art making, art criticism and art history through different investigations</li> <li>• the role and function of artists, art works, the world and audiences in the art world</li> <li>• the different ways the visual arts may be interpreted and how students might develop their own informed points of view</li> <li>• how students may develop meaning and focus and interest in their work</li> <li>• building understandings over time through various investigations and working in different forms</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC Course</b>            Learning opportunities focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• how students may develop their practice in art making, art criticism, and art history</li> <li>• how students may develop their own informed points of view in increasingly independent ways and usedifferent interpretive frameworks in their investigations</li> <li>• how students may learn about the relationships between artists, artworks, the world and audiences within the art world and apply these to their own investigations</li> <li>• how students may further develop meaning and focus in their work</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Particular Course Requirements</b></p> <p><b>Preliminary Course:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• art works in at least two expressive forms and use of a process diary</li> <li>• a selection of case studies (4-10 hours each)</li> <li>• a broad investigation of ideas in art making, art criticism and art history.</li> </ul> <p><b>HSC Course:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• development of a body of work and use of a process diary</li> <li>• a minimum of five Case Studies (4–10 hours each)</li> <li>• deeper and more complex investigations in art making, art criticism and art history</li> </ul>	
<b>Elective Fees: \$80</b>	

# Vocational Education and Training (VET) Courses (Board Developed)

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Place of Study</b>	<b>Work Placement</b>	<b>Compulsory exam</b>	<b>Award</b>
Hospitality- Cookery ATAR eligible	Muirfield	70 hours in total 35 hours each year	X	Certificate II in Cookery



## VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PUBLIC SCHOOLS NSW, MACQUARIE PARK RTO 90222

### Vocational Education and Training (VET) Courses

Public Schools NSW, Macquarie Park RTO 90222 is accredited as a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) to deliver and assess VET qualifications to secondary students.

By enrolling in a VET qualification in NSW Public Schools Macquarie Park RTO 90222, you are choosing to participate in a program of study that will give you the best possible direction towards a nationally recognised qualification. To receive the AQF VET qualification Certificate I, II or III, students must meet the assessment requirements of the Industry Training Package (<http://training.gov.au>).

Students will also be expected to complete all requirements relevant to the HSC and adhere to the requirements of NESA. When a student achieves a unit of competency it is signed off by a qualified assessor. To achieve the qualification students must be deemed competent in all units of competency.

Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses are offered as part of the Higher School Certificate (HSC) or Record of School Achievement (RoSA). VET courses are designed to deliver workplace-specific skills and knowledge and cover a wide range of careers and industries. VET courses for secondary students are developed by the NSW Educational Standards Authority (NESA) and are based on National Training packages.

VET courses allow students to gain both HSC or RoSA qualifications and a national qualification or a statement of attainment recognised throughout Australia as part of the Australian Qualification Framework (AQF). These qualifications are widely recognised by industry, employers and tertiary training providers and will assist students to move to various education and training sectors and employment.

There are two types of Stage 6 VET courses available to students:

1. **Board Developed VET courses** count towards the HSC or RoSA and are classified as Category B subjects. These courses have an optional HSC examination. Students wishing to include a VET course in the ATAR calculation must sit the HSC examination after they have completed a minimum of 4 x Preliminary and/or HSC units. **ONLY ONE** Board Developed VET course may contribute to the calculation of the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR).  
Board Developed VET courses have specified workplace requirement and include a minimum of 70 hours of **mandatory** industry specific **work placement** that may include up to 50% simulated workplace hours at school as specified by NESA.
2. **Board Endorsed VET Courses** count towards the HSC or RoSA but do not have an HSC examination and therefore do not count in the calculations of the ATAR. Many Board Endorsed VET Courses have mandatory industry specific work placement as specified by NESA.

Assessment in all VET courses is competency based. The student is assessed on what they can do (the skills) and what they know (the knowledge) that will equip them in the workplace. Students who have successfully achieved competency will have the skills and knowledge to complete workplace activities in a range of different situations and environments, to an industry standard of performance expected in the workplace.

Competency-based assessment materials are designed to ensure each learner has achieved all the outcomes (skills and knowledge) to the level of the qualification. Competency-based training is based on performance standards that have been set by industry.

Students will receive documentation showing any competencies achieved for the VET course undertaken (Transcript).

Due to the specific requirements of a VET course it is recommended students speak to the VET Coordinator, VET Teacher or Careers Adviser before choosing the course to ensure they are fully aware of the requirements and that the course is suitable for their individual needs, knowledge and skills.



**2024 Cookery Course Descriptor**  
**SIT20421 Certificate II in Cookery – Release 1**  
**RTO - Department of Education - 90333, 90222, 90072, 90162**

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**Course: Hospitality**

Board Developed Course (240 hour)

2 or 4 Preliminary and/or HSC units in total

Industry Curriculum Framework (ICF)

Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) eligible course

By enrolling in this VET qualification with Public Schools NSW RTOs, you are choosing to participate in a program of study which will provide you a pathway towards HSC accreditation and a nationally recognised qualification (dual accreditation). To receive this VET qualification, you must meet the assessment requirements of SIT20421 Certificate II in Cookery – Release 1 (Release 1) <https://training.gov.au/Training/Details/SIT20421>. You will be expected to complete all requirements relevant to the HSC and adhere to the requirements of NESA. To gain this full qualification, you must achieve 13 units of competency. A statement of attainment towards the qualification is possible if at least one unit of competency is achieved.

**Entry Requirements**

**You must complete the VET enrolment process, supplying your USI and be assessed for learning support (eg LLN Robot) before the commencement of any training and assessment. HSC: All My Own Work must be completed before enrolling in this qualification. When selecting this course you should be interested in working in a kitchen environment and be able to use a personal digital device including a personal computer or laptop.**

**Tourism, Travel and Hospitality Training Package (SIT 2.1) Units of Competency****Core**

SITXFSA005	Use hygienic practices for food safety
SITXWHS005	Participate in safe work practices
SITHCCC023	Use food preparation equipment
SITHCCC027	Prepare dishes using basic methods of cookery
SITHCCC034	Work effectively in a commercial kitchen
SITHKOP009	Clean kitchen premises and equipment
SITXINV006	Receive, store and maintain stock

**Elective**

SITXFSA006	Participate in safe food handling practices
SITHCCC025	Prepare and present sandwiches
SITHCCC024	Prepare and present simple dishes
SITHCCC026	Packaged prepared foodstuffs
SITXCOM007	Show social and cultural sensitivity
SITXCCS011	Interact with customers

Students may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and /or credit transfer before delivery, provided suitable evidence is submitted.

**Pathways to Industry - Skills gained in this course transfer to other occupations**

Working within the hospitality industry involves

- organising information and records in both paper and electronic forms
- customer (client) service

- teamwork
- using technologies
- creating documents

Examples of occupations in the hospitality (kitchen operations) industry:

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|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| • breakfast cook     | • fast food cook | • take-away cook |
| • catering assistant | • sandwich hand  | • function cook  |

**Mandatory HSC Course Requirements**

Students must complete 240 indicative hours of course work and a minimum of 70 hours work placement. Students who do not meet these requirements will be 'N' determined as required by NESA. You should be work ready before work placement.

**External Assessment (optional HSC examination for ATAR purposes)**

The Higher School Certificate examination for hospitality is only available after completion of 240 indicative hours and will involve a written examination consisting of multiple-choice, short answers and extended response items. The examination is independent of the competency-based assessment undertaken during the course and has no impact on the eligibility of a student to receive a vocational qualification.

**Competency-Based Assessment**

In this course you will work to develop the competencies, skills and knowledge described by each unit of competency listed above. To be assessed as competent you must demonstrate to a qualified assessor the competency requirements for performance and knowledge of the unit of competency.

**Appeals and Complaints**

You may lodge a complaint or an appeal about a decision (including assessment decisions) by following the Appeals and Complaints Guidelines.

**Course Cost: Preliminary - \$150****HSC - \$150****Refunds** - Refund Arrangements on a pro-rata basis.

Please refer to your school refund policy

A school-based traineeship is available in this course, for more information: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/career-and-study-pathways/school-based-apprenticeships-and-traineeships>

**Exclusions:** VET course exclusions can be checked on the NESA website at <http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/vet/course-exclusions>

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*Disclaimer: If you require accessible documents, please contact your VET Coordinator for support*

# Vocational Education and Training (VET) Courses (Board Endorsed)

## Non-ATAR

<b>Courses</b>	<b>Place of Study</b>	<b>Work Placement</b>	<b>Compulsory exam</b>	<b>Award</b>
Sport Coaching (Non-ATAR)	Muirfield	35 hours in total	X	Certificate III in Sport Coaching



## 2024 Sport Coaching Course Descriptor

### SIS30521 Certificate III in Sport Coaching

#### RTO - Department of Education - 90333, 90222, 90072, 90162

*This information may change due to Training Package and NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) updates. Notification of variations will be made in due time with minimal disruption or disadvantage.*

**Course: Sport Coaching**  
Board Endorsed Course (240 hour)

**2 or 4 Preliminary and/or HSC units in total**  
Does not contribute towards the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)

By enrolling in this VET qualification with Public Schools NSW RTOs, you are choosing to participate in a program of study which will provide you a pathway towards HSC accreditation and a nationally recognised qualification (dual accreditation). To receive this VET qualification, you must meet the assessment requirements of SIS30521 Certificate III in Sport Coaching <https://training.gov.au/Training/Details/SIS30521>. You will be expected to complete all requirements relevant to the HSC and adhere to the requirements of NESA. To gain this full qualification, you must achieve 10 units of competency. A statement of attainment towards the qualification is possible if at least one unit of competency is achieved.

#### Entry Requirements

You must complete the VET enrolment process, supplying your USI and be assessed for learning support (eg LLN Robot) before the commencement of any training and assessment. HSC: All My Own Work must be completed before enrolling in this qualification. When selecting this course you should be interested in working in a sport coaching environment and be able to use a personal digital device including a personal computer or laptop.

#### Sport, Fitness and Recreation Training Package (SIS 5.2) Units of Competency

Core		Elective	
HLTWHS001	Participate in workplace health and safety	SISSSCO012	Coach sport participants up to an intermediate level
SISSSCO002	Work in a community coaching role	SISXIND006	Conduct sport, fitness and recreation event
SISSSCO005	Continuously improve coaching skills and knowledge	SISXCAI009	Instruct strength and conditioning techniques
HLTAID011	Provide first aid	SISSSOF002	Continuously improve officiating skills and knowledge
SISSSCO003	Meet participant coaching needs		
BSBPOS403	Apply business risk management processes		

Students may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and /or credit transfer before delivery, provided suitable evidence is submitted.

#### Pathways to Industry - Skills gained in this course transfer to other occupations

Working within the sport coaching industry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ teamwork and communication</li> <li>▪ applying skills and knowledge to coach participants to an intermediate level in a specific sport</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ possess a range of well-developed skills where discretion and judgement are required</li> </ul>	

#### Examples of occupations in the Sport Coaching Industry

This qualification provides a pathway to work in community coaching roles working or volunteering at community-based sport clubs and organisations in the Australian sport industry. The skills in this qualification must be applied in accordance with Commonwealth and State or Territory legislation, Australian standards and industry codes of practice. Specific industry accreditation requirements may apply to sport-specific coaching accreditation and information should be obtained from the relevant National Sporting Organisation (NSO).

#### Mandatory HSC Course Requirements

Students must complete 240 indicative hours of course work and a minimum of 70 hours work placement. Students who do not meet these requirements will be 'N' determined as required by NESA. You should be work ready before work placement.

#### External Assessment

There is not an external assessment (optional HSC examination) for this course and this course does not contribute towards an ATAR.

#### Competency-Based Assessment

In this course you will work to develop the competencies, skills and knowledge described by each unit of competency listed above. To be assessed as competent you must demonstrate to a qualified assessor the competency requirements for performance and knowledge of the unit of competency.

#### Appeals and Complaints

You may lodge a complaint or an appeal about a decision (including assessment decisions) by following the Appeals and Complaints Guidelines.

**Course Cost: Approximately \$80 For First Aid Certificate**

#### Refunds

Refund Arrangements on a pro-rata basis.  
Please refer to your school refund policy

A school-based traineeship is available in this course, for more information: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/career-and-study-pathways/school-based-apprenticeships-and-traineeships>

**Exclusions:** VET course exclusions can be checked on the NESA website at <http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/vet/course-exclusions>

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# Content Endorsed Courses (Non-ATAR)

<b>Courses 2 unit</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>ATAR</b>	<b>Faculty</b>
Mathematics (Numeracy)	Preliminary and HSC	X	Mathematics
Photography, Video and Digital Imaging	Preliminary and HSC	X	CAPA
Work Studies	Preliminary and HSC	X	BLC

# Mathematics (Numeracy)

<b>Course:</b> Mathematics Numeracy	<b>Course No:</b> 30140
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSCContent Endorsed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> Mathematics Standard Mathematics Advanced
<b>Prerequisites</b> No pre-requisites	
<b>Course Description</b> <b>This course is a content endorsed course (CEC) developed by NESAs.</b> The course is included in HSC achievement but not externally examined and is non ATAR. It is intended to give students context and practical experience in the use of numeracy and as a preparation for TAFE and other post school experiences. The nature and emphasis of learning is flexible to accommodate local priorities. All assessment tasks are completed in class.	
<b>Main Topics Covered</b>  <b>Year 11 &amp; Year 12 Courses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earning and Spending Money</li> <li>• Budgeting</li> <li>• Using Probability in Everyday Situations</li> <li>• Interpreting Statistics in the Media</li> <li>• Understanding Plans and Maps</li> </ul>	

# **Photography, Video and Digital Imaging**

**Course:** Photography, Video and Digital Imaging

Content Endorsed Course  
2 units for Preliminary and 2 units for HSC course

**Exclusions:** Projects developed for assessment in one subject are not to be used either in full or in part for assessment in any other subject.

## **Course Description**

Photography, Video and Digital Imaging offers students the opportunity to explore contemporary artistic practices that make use of photography, video and digital imaging. These fields of artistic practice resonate within students' experience and understanding of the world and are highly relevant to contemporary ways of interpreting the world. The course offers opportunities for investigation of one or more of these fields and develops students' understanding and skills, which contribute to an informed critical practice.

The course is designed to enable students to gain an increasing accomplishment and independence in their representation of ideas in the fields of photography and/or video and/or digital imaging and understand and value how these fields of practice invite different interpretations and explanations.

Students will develop knowledge, skills and understanding through the making of photographs, and/or videos and/or digital images that lead to and demonstrate conceptual and technical accomplishment. They will also develop knowledge, skills and understanding that lead to increasingly accomplished critical and historical investigations of photography and/or video and/or digital imaging.

## **Main Topics Covered**

Modules may be selected in any of the three broad fields of:

- Wet Photography
- Video
- Digital Imaging.

Modules may include:

- Introduction to the Field
- Developing a Point of View
- Traditions, Conventions, Styles and Genres
- Manipulated Forms
- The Arranged Image
- Temporal Accounts.

An Occupational Health and Safety Module is mandatory. The additional module Individual/Collaborative Project extends students' learning experiences and may reflect students' increasing interests and desire to

## **Particular Course Requirements**

- Students are required to keep a diary throughout the course and the development of a body of work/ portfolio.
- Successful completion of the compulsory modules "Photography and The Law" and "WHS"

**Elective Fees: \$80**

# Work Studies

<b>Course:</b> Work Studies	<b>Course No:</b> 35203
2 units for each of Preliminary and HSC Content Endorsed Course	<b>Exclusions:</b> None
<p><b>Prerequisites</b> No pre-requisites.</p>	
<p><b>Course Description</b></p> <p><b>This course is a content endorsed course (CEC) developed by NESAs.</b></p> <p>The course is included in HSC achievement but not externally examined and is therefore non-ATAR.</p> <p>The aim of the Work Studies course is to provide an opportunity for students to develop the skills, knowledge and understanding of different work environments, employment and further training options and life management strategies. This will support students to have a successful transition from school to the workforce and further education and training settings such as TAFE and University.</p> <p>Students will learn about and develop skills in successful career planning, how to successfully perform work tasks using self-management strategies and planning or problem-solving, effective communication and teamwork and personal or social influences on working life and lastly how to manage change in work and working lives.</p> <p>All assessment tasks are completed in class. In Year 12 there is a Work Experience Practicum component of the course that requires a student to undertake an external unpaid student placement in an employment setting of the student's choice. This is a mandatory component of the course.</p>	
<p><b>Main Topics Covered</b></p> <p><b>Year 11 Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• My Working Life (Core)</li> <li>• In the Workplace</li> <li>• Preparing Job Applications</li> </ul> <p><b>Year 12 Modules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal Finance</li> <li>• Workplace Communication</li> <li>• Managing Work and Life Commitments</li> <li>• Experiencing Work (Mandatory Work Experience Placement)</li> </ul>	