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2023 Senior Phase Subject Selection Guide



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Introduction

Pathways to Success

Undertaking studies in the Senior Phase of Secondary School provides students with a wonderful opportunity to maximise their effort in their final school years. The Senior Phase program at Whitsunday Christian College offers a clear balance between academic challenge and pastoral support to equip and support students towards positive pathways of success in life, work and learning.

Delivery of Senior Program

In a time where options abound, it is important that students are offered personalised pathways that include flexible delivery methods. To best cater for the individual needs of our students, we deliver subjects in a manner that allows students to be supported.

Delivery includes:

- Personalised pathway tracking and encouragement,
- Potential work experience placements, traineeships and school-based apprenticeships based on students' individual pathways,
- Access to subjects with lower teacher to student rations via combined Senior Year level classes,
- Assessment calendar at the beginning of every term detailing the dates all assessment tasks are given out as well as when the draft and final copies are due,
- Draft reviews before final submission dates of assessment,
- Term 1 and 3 Progress Statements, end of Semester reports, opportunities for parent/teacher meetings, and additional communication available via phone or email,
- Access to wireless broadband throughout the campus and provision of laptop, free of charge,
- Leadership and service opportunities,
- Pastoral care, including practical and emotional support,
- Focus on individual character development,
- Positive Christian perspective of purpose, hope and values for life.

The College outlines the subjects it plans to provide in the subsequent school year in good faith. Ultimately the availability of subjects offered is dependent on student numbers, teacher skills and financial viability.

Subject Selection

We believe that all students at Whitsunday Christian College must be able to prepare themselves to the best of their ability for their future. This means that the decisions students make regarding their subject choices for Senior schooling are very important. As a result, we feel the best approach to take towards subject selection is through collaboration with the students, their families, the Senior School Coordinator and where appropriate, the subject teacher.

Frequently Asked Questions:

How should I choose my subjects?

When choosing subjects for Senior, students should consider the following:

- Their intended post-schooling pathway,
- QCE eligibility,
- ATAR eligibility if desired,
- Prerequisites for university courses the student is interested in pursuing,
- Subjects they are good at,
- Subjects they enjoy.

How can I choose subjects when I don't know what I want to do with my life?

Choosing Senior subjects can be an intimidating and confusing process for students who are still unsure as to what path their post-schooling journey will take. For these students, it is essential to consider their strengths and interests to determine a subject pattern they will work hard at and enjoy. In addition, students should investigate university options that may interest them to ensure the subjects they choose allow them to keep their options open for university applications. Students will be provided with the opportunity to discuss subject selection combinations and potential post-schooling pathways during SET Plan Meetings scheduled with the Senior School Coordinator.

Are there any mandatory subjects that students will be required to study?

All students will be required to study English and Mathematics – although each student will be able to choose which particular strand of the subject they wish to study. Literacy and numeracy are essential aspects of learning for success in life.

Prerequisites for students entering Year 11 in 2023

- Satisfactory completion of Year 10 English is required to be able to choose English (General) in Year 11,
- Satisfactory completion of Year 10 Mathematics is required to be able to choose General Mathematics or Mathematical Methods,
- It is highly recommended that a minimum of a C grade should be achieved in Year 10 English to be able to choose General subjects in Year 11,
- Students must study Mathematical Methods if they wish to study Physics. Studying Mathematics Methods is recommended but not mandated if a student wishes to study Chemistry,
- Students must study Mathematical Methods if they wish to study Specialist Mathematics.

Senior Education Profile

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

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

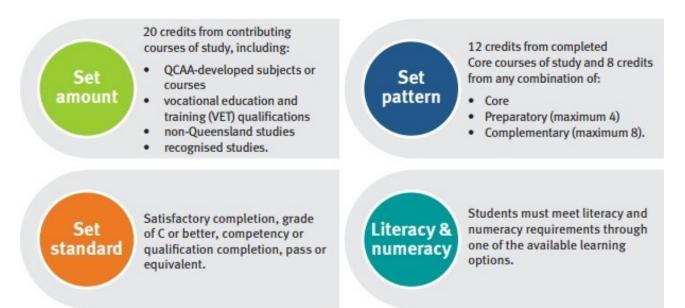
Statement of results

Students are issued with a statement of results in the December following the completion of a QCAAdeveloped course of study. The statement of results is a transcript of a student's learning account. It shows all contributing studies and the results achieved.

Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)

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

Students are eligible for a QCE if the meet the below requirements of completing a set amount of learning, in a set pattern, to a set standard, meeting literacy and numeracy requirements.



Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement (QCIA)

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

Senior Subjects

Whitsunday Christian College offers learning through various pathways.

- Through the QCAA pathway there are two types of subject grouping General and Applied. Results in General and Applied subjects contribute to the awarding of a QCE and may contribute to an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) calculation. However, no more than one result in an Applied subject can be used in the calculation of a student's ATAR. Extension subjects, which are extensions of the related General subjects, are studied concurrently with Units 3 and 4 of the General courses in Year 12 and may be available via distance education if desired.
- There are alternative pathways besides the QCAA pathway. Certificate, Diploma and Advance Diploma courses are available for students in many different fields of learning. Many of these courses can be used to gain entrance to higher learning institutions like TAFE and Universities. Such institutions will use the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) to give an equivalent ATAR ranking.

General Syllabuses

General subjects are suited to students who are interested in pathways beyond senior secondary schooling that lead primarily to tertiary studies, but not exclusively. Students wanting to take a vocational education pathway post schooling can undertake these subjects if they meet the minimum entry requirements.

Applied Syllabuses

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

Alternative Courses

Certificates, Diploma and Advance Diploma courses are suited to all students. These courses are recognised by Industry and Learning Institutions and cover a broad scope of learning, typically for students wanting vocational qualification but not exclusively. Completion of any of these courses will mean a student has reached a standard of learning on the AQF and entry to university undergraduate courses are possible.

Underpinning Factors

All senior syllabuses are underpinned by:

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

General Syllabuses

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

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

Applied Syllabuses

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

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

Alternative Courses – Vocational Education and Training (VET)

Students can access VET programs through Whitsunday Christian College as we:

- Are part of the CCM Network,
- Have a third-party arrangement with external providers who are Registered Training Organisations (RTOs),
- Offer opportunities for students to undertake school-based apprenticeships or traineeships.

Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) Eligibility

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

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

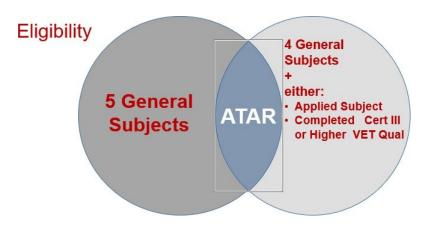
The Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) has responsibility for ATAR calculations not QCAA.

English requirement

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

Satisfactory completion will require students to attain a result that is equivalent to a Sound Level of Achievement in English.

While students must meet this standard to be eligible to receive an ATAR, it is not mandatory for a student's English result to be included in the calculation of their ATAR. Families should keep in mind that English (not Essential English) is often a prerequisite for most university courses through this pathway.



General Syllabuses

Structure

The syllabus structure consists of a course overview and assessment.

General syllabuses course overview

General syllabuses are developmental through four-unit courses of study.

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

Students should complete Units 1 and 2 before starting Units 3 and 4, but this is not mandatory.

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

Assessment

Units 1 and 2 assessments

Schools decide the sequence, scope and scale of assessments for Units 1 and 2. These assessments should reflect the local context and are similar to Unit 3 and 4 assessments. Teachers determine the assessment program, tasks and marking guides that are used to assess student performance for Units 1 and 2.

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

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

Units 3 and 4 assessments

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

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

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

Instrument-specific marking guides

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

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

Schools cannot change or modify an ISMG for use with summative (Unit 3 and 4) internal assessment.

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

External assessment

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

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

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

Applied Syllabuses

Structure

The syllabus structure consists of a course overview and assessment.

Applied syllabuses course overview

Applied syllabuses are developmental through four-unit courses of study.

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

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

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

Assessment

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

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

Applied syllabuses do not use external assessment.

Instrument-specific standards matrixes

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

Essential English and Essential Mathematics — Common Internal Assessment

Students complete a total of four summative internal assessments in Units 3 and 4 that count toward their overall subject result. Schools develop three of the summative internal assessments for each senior subject and the other summative assessment is a common internal assessment (CIA) developed by the QCAA.

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

- Developed by the QCAA,
- Common to all schools,
- Delivered to schools by the QCAA,
- Administered flexibly in Unit 3,
- Administered under supervised conditions,
- Marked by the school according to a common marking scheme developed by the QCAA. The CIA is not privileged over the other summative internal assessment.

Summative Internal Assessment — Instrument-Specific Standards

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

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

Alternative Courses – Vocational Education and Training (VET)

If a student chooses to study via a VET pathway, this will take the place of another subject on one of the six lines. Any required work placement, work experience or training sessions will be scheduled for completion on Fridays (where possible) to minimise disruption to the student's academic timetable. These students will be allocated lesson time to complete written modules or catch up any work missed due to placement/training on Fridays.

The following programs are currently offered by Whitsunday Christian College for Vocational Education and Training qualifications through various RTOs. Description for courses can be found at <u>training.gov.au</u>.

- SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation
- HLT23215 Certificate II in Health Support Services
- 11054NAT Certificate II in Plumbing Services
- MEM20413 Certificate II in Engineering Pathways
- AUR20712 Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation
- SIT20116 Certificate II in Tourism
- CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care
- BSB50129 Diploma in Business

Current Registered Training Organisation (RTO)

- Christian Community Ministries (RTO 31056)
- TAFE Queensland (RTO 0275)
- Binnacle Training (RTO 31319)
- Australian Child Care Career Options (RTO 5404)
- MCI Institute (RTO 91088)
- Skills Generation (RTO 41008)

If a student is interested in a different field of study, they are encouraged to discuss this with the Pathways Coordinator so alternative arrangements can be investigated.

Please be aware that students can generally study one certificate course free of charge through VETiS funding. Additional certificate courses will incur a cost to families.

Year 11 2023 Proposed Subject Offerings – On-Campus

General (G), Applied (A) and Certificate Subjects (C)

English

- English (G)
- Essential English (A)

Mathematics

- General Mathematics (G)
- Mathematical Methods (G)
- Essential Mathematics (A)

Science

- Biology (G)
- Chemistry (G)
- Physics (G)

Humanities

- Business (G)
- Legal Studies (G)
- Modern History (G)

The Arts

- Dance (G)
- Drama (G)
- Visual Art (G)
- Dance in Practice (A)
- Drama in Practice (A)
- Visual Arts in Practice (A)

Technology

- Building and Construction Skills (A)
- Furnishing Skills (A)
- Industrial Technology Skills (A)
- Information and Communication Technologies (A)
- MEM20413 Certificate II in Engineering Pathways (C)

Health & Physical Education

• SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation (C)

English (G)

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Perspectives and texts Examining and creating perspectives in texts Responding to a variety of non-literary and literary texts Creating responses for public audiences and persuasive texts 	 Texts and culture Examining and shaping representations of culture in texts Responding to literary and non-literary texts, including a focus on Australian texts Creating imaginativeand analytical texts 	 Textual connections Exploring connections between texts Examining different perspectives of the same issue in texts and shaping own perspectives Creating responses for public audiences and persuasive texts 	 Close study of literary texts Engaging with literary texts fromdiverse times andplaces Responding toliterary texts creatively and critically Creating imaginative and analytical texts

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

Unit 3		Unit 4	
 Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): Extended response — written response for a public audience 	25%	 Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): Examination — imaginative written response 	25%
 Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Extended response — persuasive spoken response 	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): Examination — analytical written response 	25%

Essential English (A)

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Language that works	Texts and human experiences	Language that influences	Representations and popular culture texts
 Responding to a variety of texts used in and developed for a work context Creating multimodal and written texts 	 Responding to reflective and nonfiction texts that explore human experiences Creating spoken and written texts 	 Creating and shaping perspectives on community, local and global issues in texts Responding to texts that seek to influence audiences 	 Responding to popular culture texts Creating representations of Australian identifies, places, events and concepts

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Unit 3	Unit 4
 Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): Extended response — spoken/signed response 	 Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): Extended response – multimodal response
 Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Common internal assessment (CIA) – short response exam 	Summative external assessment (EA):Extended response – written response

General Mathematics (G)

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

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Money, measurement and relations Consumer arithmetic Shape and measurement Linear equations and their graphs 	 Applied trigonometry, algebra, matrices and univariate data Applications of trigonometry Algebra and matrices Univariate data analysis 	Bivariate data, sequences and change, and Earth geometry • Bivariate data analysis • Time series analysis • Growth and decay in sequences • Earth geometry and time zones	 Investing and networking Loans, investments and annuities Graphs and networks Networks and decision mathematics

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

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

Mathematical Methods (G)

Mathematical Methods' major domains are: Algebra, Functions, relations and their graphs, Calculus and Statistics. Mathematical Methods enables students to see the connections between mathematics and other areas of the curriculum and apply their mathematical skills to real-world problems, becoming critical thinkers, innovators and problem-solvers.

Students learn topics that are developed systematically, with increasing levels of sophistication, complexity and connection, and build on algebra, functions and their graphs, and probability from the P–10 Australian Curriculum.

Calculus is essential for developing an understanding of the physical world. The domain Statistics is used to describe and analyse phenomena involving uncertainty and variation. Both are the basis for developing effective models of the world and solving complex and abstract mathematical problems.

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

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Algebra, statistics and functions Arithmetic and geometric sequences and series 1 Functions and graphs Counting and probability Exponential functions 1 Arithmetic and geometric sequences 	 Calculus and further functions Exponential functions 2 The logarithmic function 1 Trigonometric functions 1 Introduction to differential calculus Further differentiation and applications 1 Discrete random variables 1 	 Further calculus The logarithmic function 2 Further differentiation and applications 2 Integrals 	 Further functions and statistics Further differentiation and applications 3 Trigonometric functions 2 Discrete random variables 2 Continuous random variables and the normal distribution Interval estimates for proportions

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Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): • Examination	15%		
Summative external assessment (EA): 50% Examination			

Essential Mathematics (A)

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

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Number, data and graphs	Money, travel and data	Measurement, scales and data	Graphs, chance and loans
 Fundamental topic: Calculations Number Representing data Graphs 	 Fundamental topic: Calculations Managing money Time and motion Data collection 	 Fundamental topic: Calculations Measurement Scales, plans and models Summarising and comparing data 	 Fundamental topic: Calculations Bivariate graphs Probability and relative frequencies Loans and compound interest

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Unit 3	Unit 4
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1):Problem-solving and modelling task	 Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): Extended response – multimodal response
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Common internal assessment (CIA) 	Summative external assessment (EA):Extended response – written response

Biology (G)

Biology provides opportunities for students toengage with living systems.

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Cells and multicellular organisms • Cells as the basis of life • Multicellular organisms	 Maintaining the internal environment Homeostasis Infectious diseases 	Biodiversity and the interconnectedness of lifeDescribing biodiversityEcosystem dynamics	 Heredity and continuity of life DNA, genes and the continuity of life Continuity of life on Earth

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

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

Chemistry (G)

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

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Chemical fundamentals — structure, properties and reactions • Properties and structure of atoms • Properties and structure of materials • Chemical reactions —reactants, products and energy change	 Aqueous solutions and 	 Equilibrium, acids andredox reactions Chemical equilibrium systems Oxidation and reduction 	 Structure, synthesis and design Properties and structure of organic materials Chemical synthesis and design

Assessment

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In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

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

Physics (G)

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Thermal, nuclear and electrical physics Heating processes Ionising radiation and nuclear reactions Electrical circuits 	Linear motion and wavesLinear motion and forceWaves	Gravity andelectromagnetismGravity and motionElectromagnetism	Revolutions in modern physics • Special relativity • Quantum theory • The Standard Model

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

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

Business (G)

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Business creation Fundamentals of business Creation of business ideas 	Business growthEstablishment of a businessEntering markets	Business diversificationCompetitive marketsStrategic development	 Business evolution Repositioning a business Transformation of a business

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

Unit 3		Unit 4	
 Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): Examination — combination response 	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Extended response – feasibility report	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Investigation – business report 	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): Examination — combination response 	25%

Legal Studies (G)

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Beyond reasonable doubt Legal foundations Criminal investigation process Criminal trial process Punishment and sentencing 	 Balance of probabilities Civil law foundations Contractual obligations Negligence and the duty of care 	 Law, governance and change Governance in Australia Law reform within a dynamic society 	 Human rights in legal contexts Human rights The effectiveness of international law Human rights in Australian contexts

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

Unit 3		Unit 4	
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Examination — combination response	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (A3): • Investigation — argumentativeessay	25%
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Investigation — inquiry report 	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): Examination — combinationresponse 	25%

Modern History (G)

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

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

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

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

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Ideas in the modernworld Australian FrontierWars, 1788–1930s Age of Enlightenment, 1750s–1789 Industrial Revolution, 1760s– 1890s American Revolution, 1763– 1783 French Revolution, 1789– 1799 Age of Imperialism, 1848– 1914 	 Movements in the modern world Australian Indigenous rights movement since1967 Independence movement in India,1857–1947 May Fourth Movement in China, 1919 Independence movement in Algeria, 1945–1962 Independence movement in Vietnam, 1945–1975 	National experiences inthe modern world Australia, 1914–1949 England, 1756–1837 France, 1799–1815 New Zealand, 1841–1934 Germany,1914–1945 Soviet Union,1920s–1945 Japan, 1931–1967 China, 1931–1976 Indonesia, 1942–1975 India, 1947–1974 Israel, 1948–1993	International experiences in the modern world • Australian engagementwith Asia since 1945 • Mass migrations since1848 • Genocides and ethnic cleansings since the 1930s • Nuclear Age since 1945 • Cultural globalisation since 1956 • Rights and recognitionof First Peoples since 1982 • Terrorism, anti-terrorism and counter-terrorism since 1984

Structure

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

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

Dance (G)

Dance fosters creative and expressive communication. It uses the body as an instrument for expression and communication of ideas. It provides opportunities for students to critically examine and reflect on their world through higher order thinking and movement. It encourages the holistic development of a person, providing a way of knowing about oneself, others and the world.

Students study dance in various genres and styles, embracing a variety of cultural, societal and historical viewpoints integrating new technologies in all facets of the subject. Historical, current and emerging dance practices, works and artists are explored in global contexts and Australian contexts, including the dance of Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Students learn about dance as it is now and explore its origins across time and cultures.

Students apply critical thinking and literacy skills to create, demonstrate, express and reflect on meaning made through movement. Exploring dance through the lens of making and responding, students learn to pose and solve problems, and work independently and collaboratively. They develop aesthetic and kinaesthetic intelligence, and personal and social skills.

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Moving bodies How does dance communicate meaning for different purposes and in different contexts? Genres: Contemporary at least one other genre Subject matter: meaning, purpose and context historical and cultural origins of focus genres 	 Moving through environments How does the integration of the environment shape dance to communicate meaning? Genres: Contemporary at least one other genre Subject matter: physical dance environments including site-specific dance virtual dance environments 	 Moving statements How is dance used to communicate viewpoints? Genres: Contemporary at least one other genre Subject matter: social, political and cultural influences on dance 	 Moving my way How does dance communicate meaning for me? Genres: fusion of movement styles Subject matter: developing a personal movement style personal viewpoints and influences on genre

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

Unit 3		Unit 4		
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): • Performance	20%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): • Project — dance work	35%	
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Choreography 	20%	-		
Choreography Summative external assessment (EA): 25% Examination — extended response				

Drama (G)

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

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

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

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Share How does drama promote shared understandings of the human experience? cultural inheritances of storytelling oral history and emerging practices a range of linear and non-linear forms 	Reflect How is drama shapedto reflect lived experience? • Realism, including Magical Realism, Australian Gothic • associated conventions of styles and texts	 Challenge How can we use drama to challenge our understanding of humanity? Theatre of Social Comment, including Theatre of the Absurd and Epic Theatre associated conventions of styles and texts 	Transform How can you transform dramatic practice? • Contemporary performance • associated conventions of styles and texts • inherited texts as stimulus

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

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

Visual Art (G)

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

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

Through an inquiry learning model, students develop critical and creative thinking skills. They create individualised responses and meaning by applying diverse materials, techniques, technologies and art processes. In responding to artworks, students employ essential literacy skills to investigate artistic expression and critically analyse artworks in diverse contexts. They consider meaning, purposes and theoretical approaches when

ascribing aesthetic value and challenging ideas.

Structure

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
 Art as a lens Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: lenses to explore the material world Contexts: personal and contemporary Focus: People, place, objects Media: 2D, 3D, and time- based 	 Art as a code Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: art as a coded visual language Contexts: formal and cultural Focus: Codes, symbols, signs and art conventions Media: 2D, 3D, and timebased 	 Art as knowledge Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: constructing knowledge as artist and audience Contexts: contemporary, personal, cultural and/or formal Focus: student-directed Media: student-directed 	 Art as alternate Through inquiry learning, the following are explored: Concept: evolving alternate representations and meaning Contexts: contemporary and personal, cultural and/or formal Focus: continued exploration of Unit 3 student-directed focus Media: student-directed

Assessment

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

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a total percentage result.

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

Dance in Practice (A)

In Dance in Practice, students create, perform and produce dance works in class, school and community contexts. This involves the integration of knowledge of the world with experience and perception. To do this, students examine aesthetic codes and symbol systems and use their senses as a means of understanding and responding to their own and others' dance works. This fosters creativity, helps students develop problem-solving skills, and heightens their imaginative, emotional, aesthetic, analytical and reflective experiences.

Structure

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

Core	Electives
 Dance performance Dance production Dance literacies 	 Ballet Contemporary Jazz Tap Ballroom Popular dance World dance

Assessment

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

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

Project	Performance	Product	Extended response	Investigation
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario that contains two or more components.	A technique that assesses the physical demonstration of identified skills.	A technique that assesses the production of a design solution and folio or choreographic work.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students' own knowledge and the data they have been given.

Drama in Practice (A)

Drama in Practice gives students opportunities to plan, create, adapt, produce, perform, appreciate and evaluate a range of dramatic works or events in a variety of settings.

Students participate in learning activities that apply knowledge and develop creative and technical skills in communicating meaning to an audience.

Students learn essential workplace health and safety procedures relevant to the drama and theatre industry, as well as effective work practices and industry skills needed by a drama practitioner.

Structure

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

Core	Electives	
 Dramatic principles Dramatic practices 	 Acting (stage and screen) Career pathways (including arts entrepreneurship) Community theatre Contemporary theatre Directing Playbuilding 	 Scriptwriting Technical design and production The theatre industry Theatre through the ages World theatre

Assessment

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

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

Project	Performance	Product	Extended response	Investigation
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario that contains two or more components. (may include: acting, directing, designing, running a workshop)	A technique that assesses the physical demonstration of identified skills (acting or directing)	A technique that assesses the production of a design solution.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students' owr knowledge and the data they have been given.

Visual Arts in Practice (A)

Visual Arts in Practice focuses on students engaging in art-making processes and making virtual or physical visual artworks. Visual artworks are created for a purpose and in response to individual, group or community needs.

Students explore and apply the materials, technologies and techniques used in art-making. They use information about design elements and principles to influence their own aesthetic and guide how they view others' works. They also investigate information about artists, art movements and theories, and use the lens of a context to examine influences on art-making.

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

Structure

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

Core	Electives
Visual mediums, technologies, techniques	• 2D
 Visual literacies and contexts 	• 3D
 Artwork realisation 	 Digital and 4D
	• Design
	• Craft

Assessment

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

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

Project	Product	Extended response	Investigation
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario that contains two or more components.	A technique that assesses the application of identified skills to the production of artworks.	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and informationin provided stimulus materials.	A response that includes locating and using information beyond students' own knowledge and the data they have been given.

Building & Construction Skills (A)

Building & Construction Skills focuses on the underpinning industry practices and construction processes required to create, maintain and repair the built environment.

Students learn to meet customer expectations of quality at a specific price and time. In addition, they understand industry practices; interpret specifications, including information and drawings; safely demonstrate fundamental construction skills and apply skills and procedures with hand/power tools and equipment; communicate using oral, written and graphical modes; organise, calculate and plan construction processes; and evaluate the structures they create using predefined specifications.

Students develop transferable skills by engaging in construction tasks that relate to business and industry, and that promote adaptable, competent, self-motivated and safe individuals who can work with colleagues to solve problems and complete practical work.

Structure

The Building & Construction Skills course is designed core and elective topics.

Core topics	Elective topics
Industry practicesConstruction processes	 Carpentry plus at least two other electives: Bricklaying Concreting Landscaping Plastering and painting Tilling

Assessment

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

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

Project	Practical demonstration	Examination
 A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario. A project consists of a product component and at least one of the following components: written: 500–900 words spoken: 2½–3½ minutes multimodal non-presentation: 8 A4 pages max (or equivalent) presentation: 3–6 minutes 	A task that assesses the practical application of a specific set of teacher-identified production skills and procedures. Students demonstrate production skills and procedures in class under teacher supervision.	A response that answers a number of provided questions, scenarios and/or problems. • 60–90 minutes • 50–250 words per item

Furnishing Skills (A)

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

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

Students develop transferable skills by engaging in manufacturing tasks that relate to business and industry, and that promote adaptable, competent, self-motivated and safe individuals who can work with colleagues to solve problems and complete practical work.

Structure

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

Core topics	Elective topics
Industry practicesProduction processes	 Cabinet-making Furniture finishing Furniture-making Glazing and framing Upholstery

Assessment

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

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

Project	Practical demonstration	Examination
 A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario. A project consists of a product component and at least one of the following components: written: 500–900 words spoken: 2½–3½ minutes multimodal: presentation (3-6 min.) or non-presentation (8 A4 pages max) product: continuous class time. 	A task that assesses the practical application of a specific set of teacher-identified production skills and procedures. Students demonstrate production skills and procedures in class under teacher supervision.	A response that answers a number of provided questions,scenarios and/or problems. • 60–90 minutes • 50–250 words per item

Industrial Technology Skills (A)

Industrial Technology Skills focuses on the practices and processes required to manufacture products in avariety of industries.

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

Students develop transferable skills by engaging in manufacturing tasks that relate to business and industry, and that promote adaptable, competent, self-motivated and safe individuals who can work with colleagues to solve problems and complete practical work.

Structure

The Industrial Technology Skills course is designed around:

- core topics, which are integrated throughout the course,
- elective topics, organised in industry areas, and manufacturing tasks related to thechosen electives.

Core topics	Industry area	Elective topics
Industry practices	Aeroskills	Aeroskills mechanicalAeroskills structures
Production processes Automo	Automotive	Automotive mechanicalAutomotive body repairAutomotive electrical

Assessment

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

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

Project	Practical demonstration	Examination
 A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario. A project consists of a product component and at least one of the following components: written: 500–900 words spoken: 2½–3½ minutes multimodal non-presentation: 8 A4 pages max (or equivalent) presentation: 3–6 minutes product: continuous class time. 	A task that assesses the practical application of a specific set of teacher-identified production skills and procedures. Students demonstrate production skills and procedures in class under teacher supervision.	A response that answers a number of provided questions, scenarios and/or problems. • 60–90 minutes • 50–250 words per item

Information & Communication Technology (A)

Information & Communication Technology (ICT) focuses on the knowledge, understanding and skills related to engagement with information and communication technology through a variety of elective contexts derived from work, study and leisure environments of today.

Students are equipped with knowledge of current and emerging hardware and software combinations, an understanding of how to apply them in real-world contexts and the skills to use them to solve technical and/or creative problems. They develop knowledge, understanding and skills across multiple platforms and operating systems, and are ethical and responsible users and advocates of ICT, aware of the social, environmental and legal impacts of their actions.

Students apply their knowledge of ICT to produce solutions to simulated problems referenced to business, industry, government, education and leisure contexts.

Structure

The Information & Communication Technology course is designed around:

- core topics integrated into modules of work
- using a problem-solving process
- three or more elective contexts.

Core topics	Elective topics	
HardwareSoftwareICT in society	 Animation Application development Audio and video production Data management Digital imaging and modelling 	 Document production Network fundamentals Online communication Website production

Assessment

For Information & Communication Technology, assessment from Units 3 and 4 is used to determine the student's exit result, and this consists of four instruments, including:

- at least two projects,
- at least one extended response

Project	Extended Response
A response to a single task, situation and/or scenario. A project consists of a product component and at least one of the following components:	A technique that assesses the interpretation, analysis/examination and/or evaluation of ideas and information in provided stimulus materials.
• written: 500–900 words	Presented in one of the following modes:
• spoken: 2½–3½ minutes	• written: 600–1000 words
multimodal: 3-6 minutes	• spoken: 3–4 minutes
 product: continuous class time. 	• multimodal: 4–7 minutes.

MEM20413 Certificate II in Engineering Pathways (C)

Qualification Description

The MEM20413 qualification first lays the groundwork, introducing students to the foundations of engineering and manufacturing – including the correct use of hand and power tools, appropriate understanding of PPE and proper welding techniques. Students then apply this foundational knowledge in a variety of engaging and practical projects.

The qualification is intended for people interested in exposure to an engineering or related working environment with a view to entering into employment in that area. This qualification will equip graduates with knowledge and skills which will enhance their prospects of employment in an engineering or related working environment.

Assessment

The course contains both theory and practical assessments on a unit-by-unit basis. Theory assessments are open book, comprising multiple choice and short answer questions. The program will allow students:

- to gain foundational knowledge and experience in a broad range of engineering disciplines,
- to apply acquired skills,
- to obtain insights into the exciting and growing employment pathways in the trade and engineering industries.

Pathways from this Qualification

This qualification delivers broad-based underpinning skills and knowledge in a range of engineering and manufacturing tasks which will enhance the graduates' entry-level employment prospects for apprenticeships, traineeships or general employment in an engineering-related workplace.

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

Packaging Rules

12 units must be completed:

- 4 core units
- 8 elective units.

SIS20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation (C)

Qualification Description

This qualification allows individuals to develop basic functional knowledge and skills for work in customer contact positions in the sport or community recreation industry. These individuals are competent in a range of administrative activities and functions within a team and under supervision. They are involved in mainly routine and repetitive tasks using practical skills and basic sport and recreation industry knowledge.

They work in locations such as sport and recreation centres or facilities, and leisure and aquatic centres assisting with the conduct of recreation activities, and facility maintenance and operations.

Possible job titles include:

- community activities assistant,
- customer service assistant,
- leisure assistant,
- recreation assistant,
- retail assistant,
- grounds assistant,
- facility assistant.

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification.

Packaging Rules

13 units must be completed:

- 8 core units
- 5 elective units

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet - <u>https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=1ca50016-24d2-4161-a044-d3faa200268b</u>

Studying through Distance Education

Although Whitsunday Christian College offers a range of subjects from fields of study including English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities, Technologies and The Arts, some students have particular, specific interests that are not currently catered for as an on-campus option. For these students, distance education is a viable option to be considered.

Studying a subject via distance education can be challenging for some students. However, students who are selfmotivated, independent workers and have chosen a subject they are interested in often achieve success.

Whitsunday Christian College currently offers distance education through two main providers, Brisbane School of Distance Education and Cairns School of Distance Education.

Distance Education (typically Brisbane or Cairns)

Distance Education delivers subjects online. Students will be required to attend weekly scheduled classes according to the timetable released by the respective school. Generally, there are 3 x 70-minute lessons scheduled per subject.

Support for Students

Students who choose to study a course through distance education will be supported by the College by offering the guidance of an on-campus staff member – Distance Education Coordinator. This teacher will assist the student with any questions, monitor their progress and offer support in the pursuance of an external subject.

Additional Points to Consider:

- Studying a distance education subject will incur an additional fee of \$250.00.
- Whitsunday Christian College covers the majority of the cost of students studying **one** distance education subject if they choose. However, a student may choose to study more distance education subjects provided the family meets the full cost of the subsequent subject/s.
- If a student withdraws from a distance education subject before the end of the year, the family will be required to reimburse the full cost of the subject to the College as the College must pay for the course up front.

Year 11 2023 Subject Offerings – Distance Education

General (G), Applied (A) and Certificate Subjects (C)

Mathematics

Specialist Mathematics (G)

Science

Psychology (G) Science in Practice (A)

Humanities and Social Sciences

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (G) Accounting (G) Ancient History (G) Economics (G) Geography (G) Philosophy and Reason (G) Social and Community Studies (A) Tourism (A)

Health & Physical Education

Health (G)

Technology

Design (G) Digital Solutions (G)

The Arts

Music (G) Music Extension – Year 12 only (G)

Languages

Chinese (G) French (G) German (G) Indonesian (G) Italian (G) Japanese (G) Spanish (G)