

LEVEL 3 OPTION BOOK 2026

BOTANY DOWNS Secondary College

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OPTION INFORMATION

The following booklet contains information of the Level 3 programme at BDSC.

- All following subjects will run depending on the number of applicants and availability of staff and facilities (in practical subjects).
- Entry to some subjects will be limited.
- Entry to all subjects will be by meeting prerequisites, or at the discretion of the appropriate Head of Learning Area.
- The final selection of standards for each subject (worth approximately 18-24 credits) will be made from the standards presented in this option booklet.
- The column labelled "CODES" contains:
 - =R or W which identifies standards that can contribute to the Reading and Writing credits for the University Entrance Literacy requirements. Please follow the link below to see the full list of NCEA Level 2 standards that contribute towards Level 2 Literacy (reading / writing) University Entrance Literacy List, 22 June 2023
- Course contributions listed for each subject include resources, activities and trips that are **highly recommended** as being conducive to optimal student learning. Please refer to each individual course descriptor for the compulsory items required for that course.
- NOTE: Cannot choose both 3FAH and 3TEF (or Head of Subject discretion)
 - Can only do 1 maximum of 3TEM, 3FDN and 3TEF
 - Can only do 2 maximum of 3PHO, 3DES and 3ART (and be wary of a 3rd high internal subject)
 - Cannot choose 3MAT with either 3MAC, 3SAP or 3SPA

UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE LITERACY - LEVEL 2

Level 2 Assessment Standards that Contribute to University Entrance Literacy Requirements (Updated 2019). **KEY:** IN=Internally assessed standard, EX- Externally assessed standard, Y=Yes, meets UE Literacy requirement for Level 2 Reading or Writing, N=No, does not meet the UE Literacy requirement for Level 2 Reading or Writing.

BDSC Course	ID	Subject reference	Credits	Int/ Ext	Reading	Writing
L2 Art History	91180	Art History 2.1	4	EX	N	Υ
	91182	Art History 2.3	4	EX	N	Υ
	91184	Art History 2.5	4	IN	Υ	Ν
L2 Biology	91156	Biology 2.4	4	EX	N	Υ
	91157	Biology 2.5	4	EX	N	Υ
L2 Classical	91200	Classical Studies 2.1	4	EX	Υ	Υ
Studies	91201	Classical Studies 2.2	4	EX	Υ	Ν
	91202	Classical Studies 2.3	4	IN	Υ	Ν
	91203	Classical Studies 2.4	6	EX	Υ	Υ
	91204	Classical Studies 2.5	6	IN	Υ	N
L2 Drama	91213	Drama 2.1	4	IN	Υ	Ν
	91215	Drama 2.3	4	EX	Υ	Ν
	91216	Drama 2.4	4	IN	Υ	Ν
	91217	Drama 2.5	4	IN	Υ	Ν
	91218	Drama 2.6	5	IN	Υ	Ν
	91220	Drama 2.8	4	IN	N	Υ
	91221	Drama 2.9	4	IN	Υ	Ν
L2 Economics	91225	Economics 2.4	4	IN	Υ	Ν
	91227	Economics 2.6	6	IN	Υ	Ν
	91228	Economics 2.7	4	IN	Υ	Ν
L2 English	91098	English 2.1	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91099	English 2.2	4	EX	N	Υ
	91100	English 2.3	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91101	English 2.4	6	IN	N	Υ
	91105	English 2.8	4	IN	Y	N
	91106	English 2.9	4	IN	Υ	N

BDSC Course	ID	Subject reference	Credits	Int/ Ext	Reading	Writing
12 Coormanhy	91240	Geography 2.1	4	EX	Υ	N
L2 Geography	91242	Geography 2.3	4	EX	Υ	N
	91229	History 2.1	4	IN	Υ	N
L2 History	91230	History 2.2	5	IN	Υ	N
	91231	History 2.3	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91232	History 2.4	5	IN	Υ	N
	91233	History 2.5	5	EX	Υ	Υ
	91234	History 2.6	5	EX	Υ	Υ
L2 Media Studies	91251	Media Studies 2.4	4	EX	N	Υ
L2 Music	91277	Music Studies 2.7	6	EX	N	Υ
L2 Psychology	91844	Psychology 2.1	6	IN	Υ	N
	91845	Psychology 2.2	3	IN	Υ	N
	91846	Psychology 2.3	4	IN	Υ	N
	91847	Psychology 2.4	5	IN	Υ	N
	91848	Psychology 2.5	3	IN	Υ	N
	91286	Te Reo Māori 2.2	6	EX	Υ	N
L2 Te Reo	91287	Te Reo Māori 2.4	6	IN	N	Υ
Māori	91288	Te Reo Māori 2.5	6	IN	N	Υ

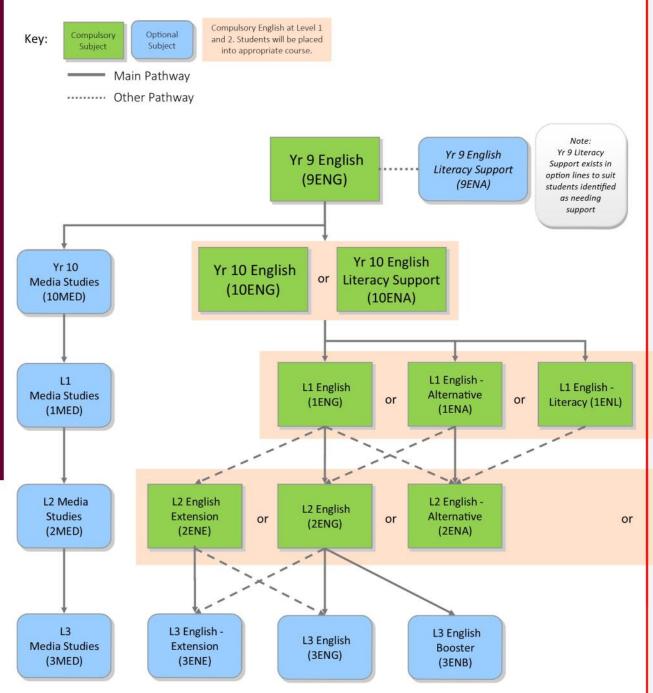
UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE LITERACY - LEVEL 3

Level 3 Assessment Standards that Contribute to University Entrance Literacy Requirements (Updated 2019). **KEY:** IN=Internally assessed standard, EX- Externally assessed standard, Y=Yes, meets UE Literacy requirement for Level 2 Reading or Writing, N=No, does not meet the UE Literacy requirement for Level 2 Reading or Writing.

BDSC	ID	Subject reference	Credits	Int/	Reading	Writing
Course	טו	Subject reference	Cicuits	Ext	ricading	vviicing
L3 Accounting	91407	Accounting 3.4	5	IN	Υ	Y
L3 Art History	91482	Art History 3.1	4	EX	Υ	Y
	91483	Art History 3.2	4	EX	Υ	N
	91484	Art History 3.3	4	EX	Y	Y
	91485	Art History 3.4	4	IN	Υ	N
	91486	Art History 3.5	4	IN	Υ	N
	91487	Art History 3.6	4	IN	Υ	N
L3 Biology	91602	Biology 3.2	3	IN	Υ	N
	91603	Biology 3.3	5	EX	Y	Y
	91604	Biology 3.4	3	IN	Υ	N
	91605	Biology 3.5	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91606	Biology 3.6	4	EX	Υ	Υ
L3 Business	91379	Business Studies 3.1	4	EX	Υ	Υ
Studies	91380	Business Studies 3.2	4	EX	Υ	Y
	91383	Business Studies 3.5	3	IN	Y	N
L3 Classical	91394	Classical Studies 3.1	4	EX	Υ	Υ
Studies	91395	Classical Studies 3.2	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91396	Classical Studies 3.3	6	EX	Υ	Υ
	91397	Classical Studies 3.4	6	IN	Υ	N
	91398	Classical Studies 3.5	6	IN	Υ	N
L3 Dance	91594	Dance 3.7	4	EX	N	Υ
L3 Digital Technologies	91908	Digital Technologies 3.9	3	EX	N	Υ
L3 Drama	91512	Drama 3.1	4	IN	Y	N
	91514	Drama 3.3	4	EX	Y	Υ
	91515	Drama 3.4	4	IN	Y	N
	91516	Drama 3.5	4	IN	Υ	N
	91517	Drama 3.6	5	IN	Υ	N
	91518	Drama 3.7	4	EX	N	Υ
	91519	Drama 3.8	5	IN	N	Υ
	91520	Drama 3.9	5	IN	Υ	N
L3 Economics	91400	Economics 3.2	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91401	Economics 3.3	5	IN	Υ	N
	91402	Economics 3.4	5	IN	Υ	N
	91403	Economics 3.5	6	EX	Υ	Υ

BDSC	ID	Subject	Credits	Int/	Dooding	\A/siting
Course	טו	reference	Credits	Ext	Reading	Writing
	91472	English 3.1	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91473	English 3.2	4	EX	N	Υ
L3 English	91474	English 3.3	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91475	English 3.4	6	IN	N	Υ
	91479	English 3.8	4	IN	Υ	N
L3 English for	22750	English for Academic Purposes	6	IN	Υ	Υ
Academic Purposes	22751	English for Academic Purposes	6	IN	Y	N
L3 Geography	91426	Geography 3.1	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91427	Geography 3.2	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91428	Geography 3.3	3	IN	Υ	N
	91429	Geography 3.4	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91431	Geography 3.6	3	IN	Υ	N
	91432	Geography 3.7	3	IN	Υ	N
L3 Health	91461	Health 3.1	5	IN	Υ	N
Education	91462	Health 3.2	5	EX	Υ	Υ
	91463	Health 3.3	5	IN	Υ	N
	91464	Health 3.4	4	IN	Υ	N
L3 History	91434	History 3.1	5	IN	Υ	N
	91435	History 3.2	5	IN	Υ	N
	91436	History 3.3	4	EX	Υ	Υ
	91437	History 3.4	5	IN	Υ	N
	91438	History 3.5	6	EX	Υ	Υ
L3 Statistics	91584	Maths & Statistics 3.12	4	EX	Υ	Υ
L3 Media Studies	91493	Media Studies 3.4	4	EX	Υ	Y
L3 Music	91423	Music Studies 3.8	4	IN	Υ	Υ
Studies	91425	Music Studies 3.10	6	EX	Y	N
L3 Physical Education	91502	Physical Education 3.5	4	IN	Y	N
L3 Psychology	91872	Psychology 3.1	6	IN	Y	N
	91873	Psychology 3.2	3	IN	Y	N
	91874	Psychology 3.3	6	IN	Y	N
	91875	Psychology 3.4	4	IN	Y	N
	91876	Psychology 3.5	3	EX	Υ	Υ

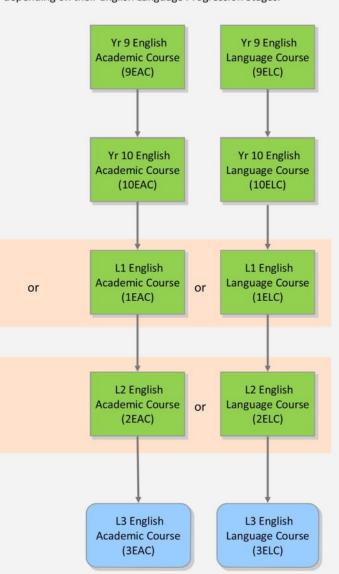
Learning Areas	Year 9	Year 10	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	English (9ENG) English Literacy Support (9ENA)	English (10ENG) English Literacy Support (10ENA)	English (1ENG) English - Alternative (1ENA) English - Literacy (1ENL)	English (2ENG) English - Alternative (2ENA) English - Extension (2ENE)	English (3ENG) English Booster Course (3ENB - L3 US) English - Extension (3ENE)
English	English Academic Course (9EAC) English Language Course (9ELC)	Media Studies (10MED) English Academic Course (10EAC) English Language Course (10ELC)	English Academic Course (1EAC) English Language Course (1ELC) Media Studies (1MED)	English Academic Course (2EAC) English Language Course (2ELC) Media Studies (2MED)	English Academic Course (3EAC) English Language Course (3ELC) Media Studies (3MED)
Health & Physical Education	Health & PE (9HED/9PEC)	Health & PE (10HED/10PEC) Outdoor Education (10OED) Physical Education (10PED)	Active Wellbeing (1AWB) Health Education (1HED) Outdoor Education (1OED) Physical Education (1PED)	Early Childhood Education (2ECE) Health Education (2HED) Outdoor Education (2OED) Outdoor Education Alternative (2ODA) Physical Education (2PED) Sports Studies (2SPS)	Early Childhood Education (3ECE) Health Education (3HED) Outdoor Education (3OED) Physical Education (3PED) Sport High Performance (3SHP) Sports Studies (3SPS)
Languages	Chinese (9CHI) French (9FRE) Japanese (9JAP) Te Reo Māori (9MAO)	Chinese (10CHI) French (10FRE) Japanese (10JAP) Te Reo Māori (10MAO)	French (1FRE) Japanese (1JAP) Te Reo Mãori (1MAO)	Chinese (2CHI) French (2FRE) Japanese (2JAP) Te Reo Māori (2MAO)	Chinese (3CHI) French (3FRE) Japanese (3JAP) Te Reo Māori (3MAO)
Mathematics	Mathematics and Statistics (9MAT) Mathematics Extension (9MAE)	Mathematics and Stats (10MAT) Mathematics and Stats - Alt (10MNU) Mathematics and Stats - Acc (1MAX) L1 standards for Y10 accelerated students	Mathematics and Statistics - Alt (1MAA) Maths. and Stats Foundation (1MAF) Mathematics and Statistics (1MAT) Mathematics and Statistics - Ext (2MAX) for L1 accelerated students	Mathematics and Statistics - Alt (2MAA) Mathematics and Statistics (2MAT) Mathematics and Statistics - Ext (2MAE) Mathematics Numeracy Corequisite (2MNC) Calculus - Accelerated (3MAX) for L2 accelerated students	Calculus (3MAC) Mathematics (3MAT) Statistics and Probability (3SAP) Statistics and Probability - Alt (3SPA)
Science	Science (9SCI)	Science (10SCI) Science - Acc (1SCX) L1 Science course for Y10 accelerated students Electronics (10ELE)	Science - Compulsory (1SCB and/or 1SCP) Biology/Chemistry (1SCB) Physics/Earth and Space Science (1SCP)	Biology (2BIO) Chemistry (2CHE) Physics (2PHY)	Biology (3BIO) Chemistry (3CHE) Physics (3PHY)
Social Sciences	Social Studies (9SOS)	Social Studies (10SOS) Ancient Civilisations (10ANC) Business Pathways (10BUP) Investigative Geography (10IGO)	Commerce—Business / Accounting (1CBA) Commerce—Business / Economics (1CBE) Geography (1GEO) History (1HIS)	Accounting (2ACC) Business Studies (2BUS) Classical Studies (2CLS) Economics (2ECO) Financial Studies (2FIN) Geography (2GEO) History (2HIS) Psychology (2PSY) Travel and Tourism (2TSM)	Accounting (3ACC) Business Studies (3BUS) Classical Studies (3CLS) Economics (3ECO) Financial Studies (3FIN) Geography (3GEO) History (3HIS) Psychology (3PSY) Travel and Tourism (3TSM)
Technology	Design and Visual Com. (9DVC) Food Technology (9TEF) Materials Technology (9MTY) Digital Technology (9DIT)	Design and Visual Com. (10DVC) Digital Technology (10DIT) Fashion and Design Technology (10FDN) Food Technology (10TEF) Multi Materials Technology (10TEM)	Design & Visual Communication (1DVC) Digital Technology (1DIT) Food and Hospitality (1FAH) Materials and Processing Technology - Fashion and Design Technology (1FDN) - Food Technology (1TEF) - Multi Materials Technology (1TEM) Trades Skills (1TSS)	Building Skills (2BSS) Design & Visual Communication (2DVC) Digital Technology - Programming (2DIP) Engineering Skills (2ESS) Fashion and Design Technology (2FDN) Food and Hospitality (2FAH) Food Technology (2TEF) Multi Materials Technology (2TEM)	Design and Visual Com. (3DVC) Digital Technology - Programming (3D Fashion and Design Technology (3FDN Food and Hospitality (3FAH) Food Technology (3TEF) Multi Materials Technology (3TEM)
The Arts	Dance (9DAN) Drama (9DRA) Music (9MUS) Visual Art (9ART)	Dance (10DAN) Drama (10DRA) Music (10MUS) Visual Art - Visual Art (10ART) - Digital Art (10DRT)	Dance (1DAN) Drama (1DRA) Music (1MUS) Visual Art - Visual Art (1ART) - Digital Art (1DRT)	Art History (2ARH) Dance (2DAN) Design (2DES) Drama (2DRA) Music (2MUS) Visual Art - Painting (2ART) Photography (2PHO)	Art History (3ARH) Dance (3DAN) Design (3DES) Drama (3DRA) Making Music (Practical) (3MUP) Music Studies (3MUS) Visual Art - Painting (3ART) Photography (3PHO)
Vocational & General Courses			Work and Community Studies (1WCS)	Future Pathways (2FPW) Work and Community Studies (2WCS)	Future Pathways (3FPW)



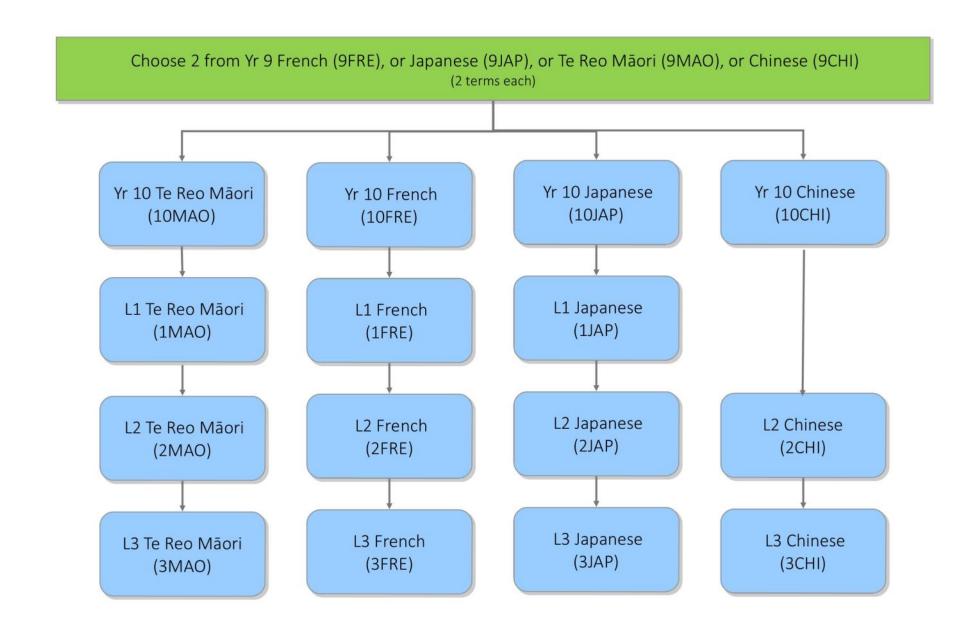
ENGLISH AS ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (EAL) FLOWCHART 2026

At Year 9/10, identified students may be removed from a Year 9 or a Year 10 option line to attend the English Language Course (ELC). Students in 9/10 EAC will attend 9/10 ENG as well.

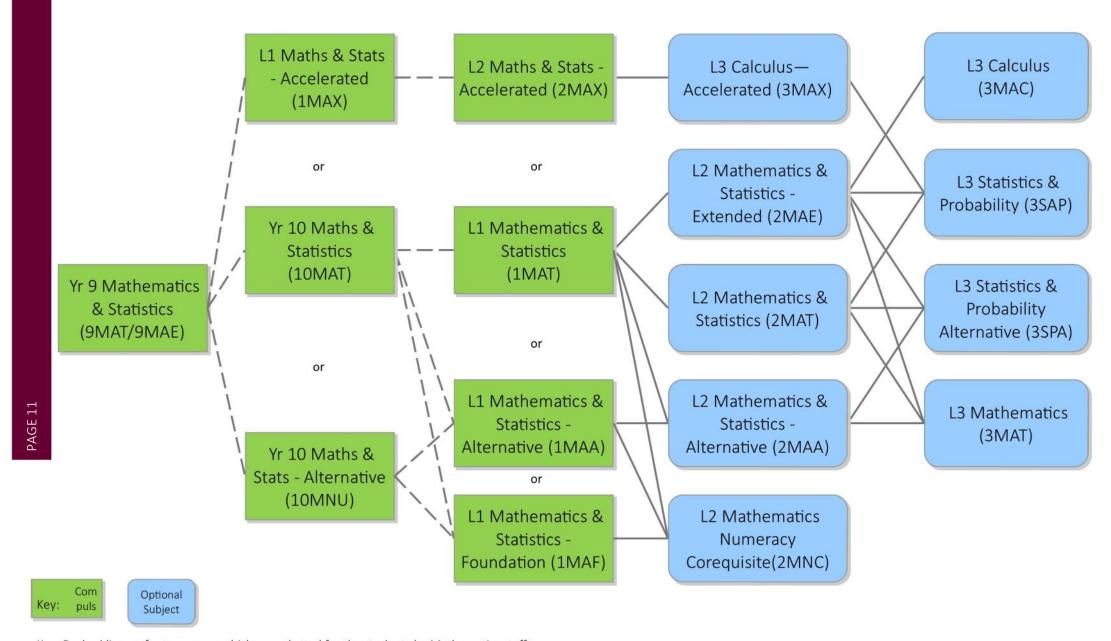
At Year 11/12/13 identified students may be placed in EAC or ELC instead of English, as recommended by Head of EAL. Students are placed in EAC and ELC depending on their English Language Progression Stages.



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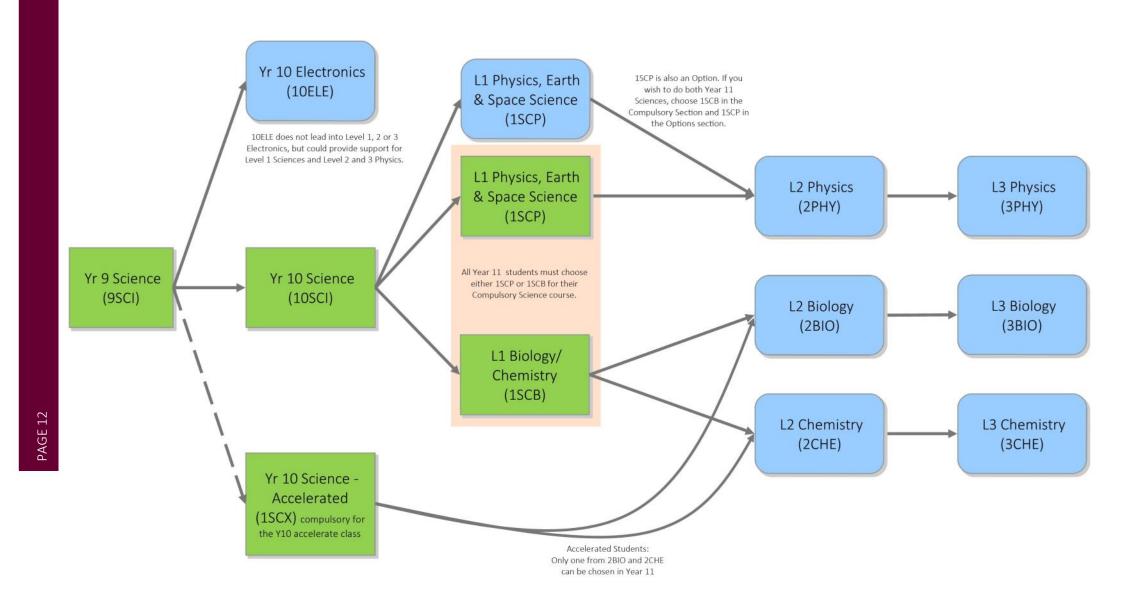


MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS FLOWCHART 2026



Key: Dashed lines refer to courses which are selected for the students by Mathematics staff

SCIENCE FLOWCHART 2026

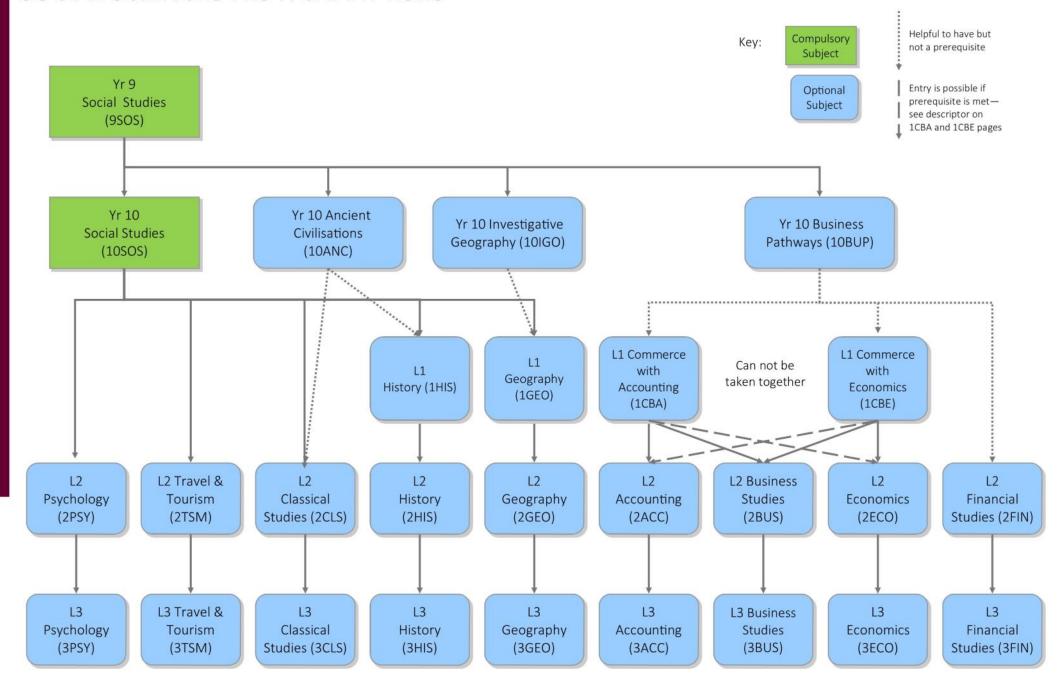


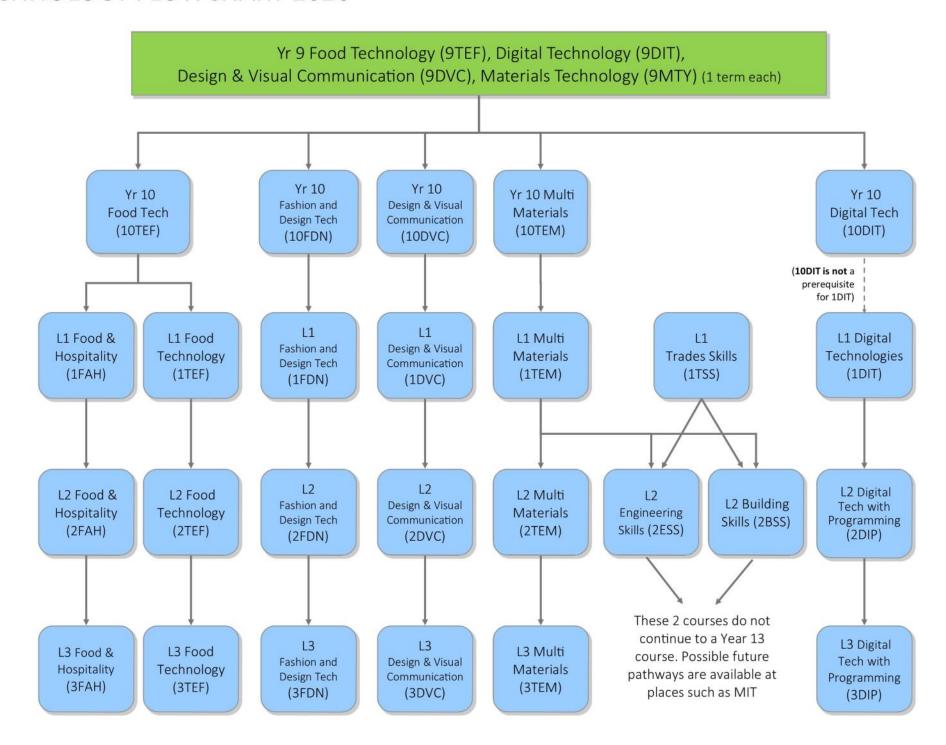
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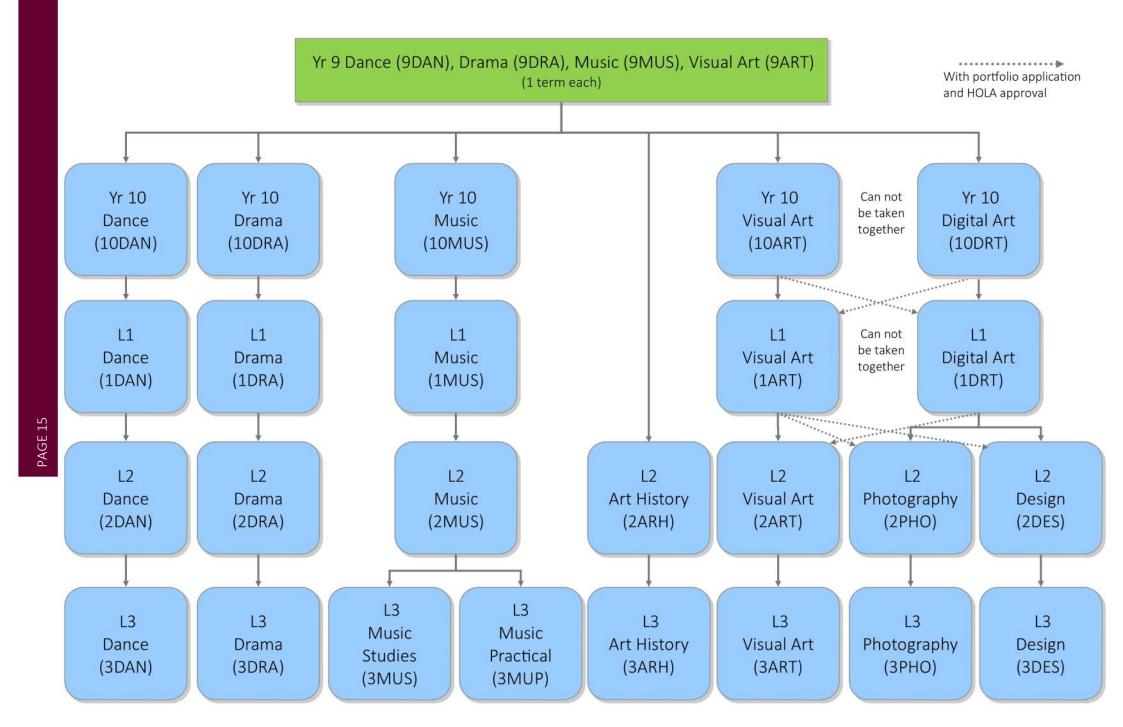
Optional Subject

Main Pathway

refer to a course which is selected for the students by Science staff







ENGLISH (3ENG)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits from Level 2 English

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Pinnell

HOLA in charge: Ms Pinnell

COURSE OUTLINE

This course is designed for students who have had success in Level 2 English and have an interest in continuing their study of the subject and/or who need an English rich subject in preparation for university study. This is a reading, writing and speaking based course, and text units studied will require a more advanced level of critical response. Students will study a novel, film, and short texts (poetry or short stories), as well as a range of non-fiction texts. Students are expected to read widely in their own time as well as complete independent study.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91478	English 3.7	Respond critically to significant connections across texts, supported by evidence	Internal	4	L
AS91480	English 3.9	Respond critically to significant aspects of visual/oral text(s) through close reading, supported by evidence	Internal	3	L
AS91477	English 3.6	Create a fluent and coherent visual text which develops, sustains, and structures ideas using verbal and visual language	Internal	3	L
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91472	English 3.1	Respond critically to specified aspects of studied written text(s), supported by evidence	External	4	L/R/W
AS91474	English 3.3	Respond critically to significant aspects of unfamiliar written texts through close reading, supported by evidence	External	4	L/R/W
		Possible Credits Available	18	3 Credit	S

ENGLISH - ALTERNATIVE (3ENB)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: You must have been in **2ENG** in Year 12

and gained at least 4 credits in Level 2

English.

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: -

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved course

for University Entry.

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Pinnell

HOLA in charge: Ms Pinnell

COURSE OUTLINE

This course is mostly comprised of Level 3 unit standards, one Level 3 achievement standard plus students will also attempt at least one Level 2 achievement internal standard that contributes to university entrance literacy requirements, plus the option to resit one or more Level 2 external standards.

This course is intended for students who need to top up their English credits for entry to University of Auckland, and/ or who want to develop their language and communication skills but don't meet the pre-requisites for the full Level 3 English course.

NOTE: This is **not** a university approved course.

Students will continue to develop their reading, writing, speaking and listening skills. The skills developed will be beneficial in all post-school pathways, whether it be tertiary study, vocational training or the workplace. The course will include some literature study, e.g. poetry or short stories, as well as using non-fiction texts and real life contexts.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES			
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards							
U1279	-	Write in plain English	Internal	3				
U2990	-	Read texts to research information	Internal	4				
U9681	-	Contribute within a team or group which has an objective	Internal	3				
AS91106	English 2.9	Form developed personal responses to independently read texts, supported by evidence	Internal	4	L/R			
AS91477	English 3.6	Create a fluent and coherent visual text which develops, sustains, and structures ideas using verbal and visual language	Internal	3	L			
		NCEA External Achievement Standards						
AS91100	English 2.3	OPTIONAL RESIT: Analyse significant aspects of unfamiliar written text(s) through close reading, supported by evidence	External	4	L/R/W			
Possible Credits Available				21 Credi	ts			

ENGLISH - EXTENDED (3ENE)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Placement in the Extension class is by

invitation, based on performance at Level

2. Contact the HOLA if you would like to be

considered for the class.

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

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Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Pinnell

HOLA in charge: Ms Pinnell

COURSE OUTLINE

This is an academic course where the literature covered will be substantially more advanced than Level 2 English. This course is designed for students who have a love of literature and language and/or wish to study English rich subjects at university. Classes are discussion based and students are expected to read widely and undertake independent study.

Students will complete two internal standards. Students will be entered for all three external standards, but we recommend they select just two to attempt on the day.

The 3ENE course will also prepare students for Scholarship English, should they wish to sit it; the Scholarship English programme will require students to attend weekly workshops throughout the year.

Entry into this course is at HOLA discretion.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91475	English 3.4	Produce a selection of fluent and coherent writing which develops, sustains, and structures ideas	Internal	6	L/W
AS91478 or	English 3.7 or	Respond critically to significant connections across texts, supported by evidence	Internal	4	L
AS91479	English 3.8	Develop an informed understanding of literature and/or language using critical texts	Internal	4	L/R
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91472	English 3.1	Respond critically to specified aspects of studied written text(s), supported by evidence	External	4	L/R/W
AS91473	English 3.2	Respond critically to specified aspects of studied visual or oral text(s), supported by evidence	External	4	L/W
AS91474	English 3.3	Respond critically to significant aspects of unfamiliar written texts through close reading, supported by evidence	External	4	L/R/W
		Possible Credits Available	18 -	22 Cred	dits

ENGLISH as an ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (3EAC)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 2EAC

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This does <u>NOT</u> count as an approved subject

for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Viegas

HOLA in charge: Ms Pinnell

COURSE OUTLINE

The main aim of the Year 13 EAC course is to develop the student's English language skills so that they can:

- participate in all other subjects of the curriculum to their full academic potential firstly in Year 13 and subsequently in tertiary study.
- achieve success in the New Zealand national qualification, the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) at Level 3.
- gain credits in English for Academic Purpose Unit Standards at Level 4. These count towards Level 3 NCEA certificate and towards the UE Literacy requirement (6 reading and 6 writing credits).

All these standards are internally assessed so there are no exams. The credits are only offered at Achieved or Not Achieved.

Level of English Language: For students at late ELLP stage 3 of English Language Learning Progressions. Target students are international and migrant students.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
US EAP 22750		Write a crafted text for a specific audience using researched material	Int	6	R/W
US EAP 22751		Read and process information in English	Int	6	R
US EAP 22749		Write a text under test conditions in English for an academic purpose	Int	5	W
Possible Credits Available					S

ENGLISH as an ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE (3ELC)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 2ELC

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: To gain entry to tertiary studies, students

must do a foundation English course at

university

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved subject

for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Viegas

HOLA in charge: Ms Pinnell

COURSE OUTLINE

The main aim of the Year 13 ELC course is to develop the student's English language skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing so that they can:

- participate in all other subjects of the curriculum to their full academic potential.
- achieve success in the New Zealand national qualification, the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) at Level 3 (15 credits).

All these standards are internally assessed so there are no exams.

Level of English Language: For students at ELLP late stage 2 of English Language Learning Progressions. Target students are international and migrant students.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	CODES					
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
US 31008	English	Read and understand a range of written texts independently	Internal	5					
US 28070	English	Write a response for a specific purpose	Internal	5					
US 31027	English	Deliver a developed presentation on a familiar topic	Internal	5					
		Possible Credits Available	ole 15 Credits		5				

MEDIA STUDIES (3MED)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 Credits at Level 2 Media Studies or

application and acceptance by TIC

(applications welcome but good English grades an advantage for students new to

the subject).

Fieldwork: Field trip to either a media industry,

tertiary institution or a film viewing (TBC)

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Greenstreet

HOLA in charge: Ms Pinnell

COURSE OUTLINE

If you're constantly using media, it's time to dive into Media Studies! Media literacy is crucial in today's world, and this course is your chance to critically explore it. You'll find it both fun and challenging as you dig deeper into how media shapes our society. Plus, the skills you develop here will enhance your performance in other subjects, both in high school and beyond.

In Level 3 Media Studies, you'll refine your analytical skills with a close reading of Science Fiction films and TV, research media innovations, and study Y2K-era Sci-Fi films. You'll also learn new theoretical approaches that are essential for university-level work, helping you to think critically and thoroughly about media.

The practical side of the course features a major documentary film project, where you'll use various technologies and narrative techniques to explore a real-world issue. This challenging but rewarding task is a highlight for many students. For those looking for an extra challenge, Scholarship Media Studies is available, building on everything you've learned in senior Media Studies.



Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES				
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
AS91491	Media Studies 3.2	Demonstrate understanding of the meaning of a media text through different readings	Internal	3	1				
AS91494	Media Studies 3.5	Produce a design for a media product that meet s the requirements of a brief	Internal	4	1				
AS91495	Media Studies 3.6	Produce a media product to meet the requirements of a brief	Internal	6					
AS91496	Media studies 3.7	Demonstrate understanding of a significant development in the media	Internal	3					
		NCEA External Achievement Standards							
AS91493	Media Studies 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of a relationship between a media genre and society	External	4	R/W				
		Possible Credits Available	ailable 20 Credits		;				

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (3ECE)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Must have an interest in Early Childhood

Education Pathways

Fieldwork: Visits to Early Childhood centres

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: ECE based tertiary courses

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved

subject for University Entry

Course Provider: MIT / Plunket

Teacher in charge: Mrs McGregor

HOLA in charge: Mr Saville

COURSE OUTLINE

The MIT Certificate of Achievement in Early Childhood Education Level 3 is designed for Year 13 students who have an interest in Early Childhood Education Pathways. These units follow on from the Level 2 Certificate of Achievement in Early Childhood Education and continues to build students' knowledge and skills in the education and care of young children in early childhood education settings. This course aims to prepare students to advance into higher level early childhood education and care. Students will need to complete a minimum of 14 credits to achieve at Level 3. Students will have the opportunity to participate in an early childhood setting to meet the assessment requirements on this program.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/E	xt Cre	edits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards				
US29866	ECE Level 3	Demonstrate knowledge of , apply and reflect on age related nutritional needs	Inter	nal	2	
US29868	ECE Level 3	Demonstrate professional behaviour and management	Inter	nal	4	
US10026	ECE Level 3	Demonstrate knowledge of the development and learning of children and its relevance to an ECE service	Inter	nal	5	
US26707	ECE Level 3	Describe the value of play and create resources for children's development and learning in an ECE service	Inter	nal	4	
US29867	ECE Level 3	Demonstrate knowledge of , and apply, effective communication	Inter	nal	5	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		Possible Credits	Available	20 Cr	edits	

HEALTH EDUCATION (3HED)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 15 credits in NCEA Level 2 Health

Education - 5 credits from 2.1 (external

exam)

Recommended: Students have gained

Merit in English 2.1 or 2.2 external exams

Fieldwork:

N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in the Health Sector

Approved Subject?

This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Kerr

HOLA in charge: Mr Saville

COURSE OUTLINE

In Level 3 Health Education, students will build on the knowledge gained in Health Education at Levels 1 and 2, and study broader societal issues that affect the health and well-being of whole communities or populations. They will extend their ability to think critically about societal issues affecting well-being, considering issues in relation to personal, interpersonal and societal perspectives and the wider factors that determine health outcomes for whole populations.

Students will analyse relevant health issues of current public concern, both in New Zealand and internationally. They will research and evaluate a range of health practices currently used in New Zealand to treat health conditions and examine and debate the different perspectives of contemporary ethical issues in relation to well-being. Topics will be based on student interest and issues that are of current concern in society. Learning will take place through independent learning tasks, interactive group work, class and group-based discussions, research and investigations, and academic writing. Students will be required to develop and demonstrate independent learning capabilities in order to complete learning and assessment tasks.

The knowledge and skills developed through the Level 3 Health Education course will enable students to develop and demonstrate their understanding of the underlying health concepts in relation to health issues, develop their research skills and ability to produce academic writing that is evidence-based, and provide a pathway for tertiary study related to social and health sciences and/or a related career.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91461	Health 3.1	Analyse a New Zealand health issue	Internal	5	L/R
AS91463	Health 3.3	Evaluate health practices currently used in New Zealand	Internal	5	L/R
AS91464	Health 3.4	Analyse a contemporary ethical issue in relation to well-being	Internal	4	L/R
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91462	Health 3.2	Analyse an international health issue	External	5	R/W
		Possible Credits Available	19	9 Credits	

OUTDOOR EDUCATION (30ED)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 14 AS credits from 2OED. All entry into

OED courses are subject to TIC/HOLA

Approval.

Fieldwork: 1 day Mountain Bike Preparation Trip

3 day Student designed trip

1 day leadership Mountain Bike Trip

3 day Alpine/Snow trip 3 day lead climbing trip

Course Contributions: \$960 approx. based on 2025

Course Leads to: University, Sport and recreation courses,

Adventure Tourism, Recreation

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Dyer HOLA in charge: Mr Saville

COURSE OUTLINE

This course challenges students to extend their outdoor skills and personal growth while developing valuable life and leadership skills for life beyond school.

The year begins with a Leadership unit, where students plan and lead a mountain biking trip in Woodhill Forest for the Level 1 OED classes—gaining insight into the role of an outdoor instructor.

In Term Two, the focus shifts to Rock Climbing and preparing for a trip to Raglan. Students will also develop snow craft and alpine skills in preparation for completing the Tongariro Crossing in winter and a day skiing or snowboarding (weather dependent).

The highlight of the course culminates in a student-led expedition. Past trips have included mountain biking the Timber Trail and canoeing the Whanganui River—giving students full ownership of the planning and execution.

 Outdoor Ed is physically and mentally demanding. Students must maintain personal fitness, with fitness testing required before trips to ensure safety and preparedness.

STANDARDS



Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES				
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
AS91501	Physical Ed 3.4	Demonstrate quality performance of a physical activity in an applied setting	Internal	4	N				
AS91498	Physical Ed 3.1	Evaluate physical activity experiences to devise strategies for lifelong well-being	Internal	4	L/N				
AS91504	Physical Ed 3.7	Analyse issues in safety management for outdoor activity to devise safety management strategies	Internal	3	L/R				
AS91505	Physical Ed 3.8	Examine contemporary leadership principles applied in physical activity contexts	Internal	4	L/R				
AS91789	Physical Ed 3.9	Devise strategies for physical activity outcomes	Internal	4					
U18132		Demonstrate basic alpine skills on low angles terrain	Internal	2					
		Possible Credits Available	2	1 Credits	5				

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (3PED)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 14 credits in NCEA Level 2 Physical

Education (must include AS 2.2)

Fieldwork: Tough Guy/Gal

Course Contributions: \$100

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study and Scholarship

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Hough

HOLA in charge: Mr Saville

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 PE is a challenging and rewarding course that explores movement from scientific, social, and practical perspectives. You'll deepen your understanding of how the body works, how to train it effectively, and what influences participation and performance in physical activity.

This course brings together knowledge from physiology, biomechanics, psychology, sociology, and health promotion. You'll evaluate your own physical activity experiences, research key issues in sport and exercise, and apply theory to practical contexts like team and individual sports, fitness training, and movement challenges.

Level 3 PE helps develop your critical thinking, self-management, and interpersonal skills—while also setting you up for future study or careers in areas like education, sport science, coaching, health, fitness, and wellbeing.

What you'll explore:

How the body functions and adapts to training, Biomechanics and performance analysis, Psychological and social factors affecting participation, Health promotion and physical activity in society and Applied learning through practical activities.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

• Students also taking 30ED in Year 13 may be required to take one different achievement standard due to clashes of credits.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91503	Physical Ed 3.6	Evaluate the use of health promotion to influence participation in physical activity	Internal	5	L/N
AS91499	Physical Ed 3.2	Analyse a physical skill performed by self or others	Internal	3	L
AS91500	Physical Ed 3.3	Evaluate the effectiveness of a performance improvement programme	Internal	4	L/N
AS91501	Physical Ed 3.4	Demonstrate quality performance of a physical activity in an applied setting	Internal	4	N
AS91502	Physical Ed 3.5	Examine a current physical activity, trend, or issue and its impact on New Zealand society	Internal	4	L/R
		Possible Credits Available	20	Credits	3

SPORTS HIGH PERFORMANCE (3SHP)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Approval by HOLA and Director of Sport

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: \$150

Course Leads to: Tertiary study

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved subject

for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College/ WILSS

Teacher in charge: Mr McLennan

HOLA in charge: Mr Saville

COURSE OUTLINE

Students who are performing at a high level in their chosen sport will have the opportunity to develop their physical, mental, tactical capabilities in sport. Students selected in this course will have the opportunity to use the fitness space for physical preparation, conditioning. Credits are available in officiating.

Students will have the opportunity to become an associate referee/umpire in chosen sport; Netball, Football, Rugby, Volleyball, hockey etc. Students will need to apply and attend an pre enrolment interview before they are accepted into the course. Students are expected to be playing sport in one of our premier sports teams.

What does learning at NCEA level 3SHP in PE look like?

Physical Preparation - Develop knowledge of training techniques specific to sport(s) and positions within sports.

Sport Psychology - Students will work through the unit throughout the year which develops an understanding of how the mental aspects of sport performance affect the overall outcomes for athletes. Visualisation, Self talk, pregame/pre action routines, goal setting, intrinsic and extrinsic motivation,

Performance Analysis - Students will have a structured routine to analyse their performance from match day. Identifying individual and team strengths and work Ons.

Officiating in Sport - Students will learn the rules, skills and confidence to officiate in a competitive sporting event. Students are required to be observed on three separate occasions. We will engage with outside organisations to support the learning in this area.

Interpersonal Skills - Students will work in small groups to achieve a common goal. This will be done as training groups in the fitness room.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES	
NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards						
31388		Carry out pre-event preparation and apply the rules of sport while officiating sports events	Internal	10		
9681		Contribute within a team or group which has an objective	Internal	3		
1312		Give oral instructions in the workplace	Internal	3		
		Possible Credits Available	16	Credits	;	

SPORTS STUDIES (3SPS)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 2PED or achieved the 2SPS certificate, and

a proven enthusiasm in PE and sports is essential. It is expected that students who did not take 2PED/2SPS will have a Consolidating grade in both 1AWB

assessments.

Fieldwork:

Course Contributions:

Course Leads to: Tertiary study

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved

subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College/MIT

Teacher in charge: Mr Saville

HOLA in charge: Mr Saville

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Sports Studies is a career pathway programme in which students will complete Unit Standards. It promotes learning in, through and about movement and is a progression from Level 2 Sports Studies. The students will complete a selection of the standards below that range from evaluating training programmes, communication and feedback within a team situation, and evaluate what it means to have lifelong well-being. This course has the potential to further students understanding to lead to exciting career opportunities in fields such as (and not limited to) education, health professions, coaching and fitness industries. Theory is applied to the practical situations, sports and activities. The contexts in the practical will vary but will include a selection of activities[such as individual and team sports and fitness training.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
US 30447	ı	Anatomical structures and response to exercise	Internal	5	
US 30636	•	Human body movement during exercise and stretching	Internal	7	
US 20673	•	Demonstrate knowledge of injury prevention and risk and injury management in sport or recreation	Internal	5	
US 30935	-	Develop and Implement a personal exercise plan	Internal	5	i
US 21414	-	Plan and run a recreation activity	Internal	4	·
		Possible Credits Available	2	6 Credits	;

CHINESE (3CHI)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Students should have achieved a minimum

of 12 credits in 2CHI at Achieved level. An

interview might be required at the

discretion of the TIC.

Fieldwork: Possible trip to a Chinese restaurant \$10

Course Contributions: Level 3 workbook \$15 (Highly

recommended)

Course Leads to: Tertiary study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Kuang

HOLA in charge: Ms Lodge

COURSE OUTLINE

The Year 13 Chinese course is designed to explore the country and its culture and customs, looking at youth issues, travel, and working in China. With increasing grammatical and vocabulary knowledge, students are able to explore more deeply the Chinese society and culture and express their opinions about them with greater competence. The Year 13 Course is made up of 5 standards as outlined below.

Topics may include:

- Culture and festivals
- NCEA & University entrance
- Living in New Zealand
- Film Review
- Chinese Modern literature



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards		
AS91534	Chinese 3.2	Give a clear spoken presentation in Chinese that communicates a critical response to stimulus material	Internal	3
AS91535	Chinese 3.3	Interact clearly using spoken Chinese to explore and justify varied ideas and perspectives in different situations	Internal	6
AS91537	Chinese 3.5	Write a variety of text types in clear Chinese to explore and justify varied ideas and perspectives	Internal	5
		NCEA External Achievement Standards		
AS91533	Chinese 3.1	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended spoken Chinese texts	External	5
AS91536	Chinese 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended written and/or visual Chinese texts	External	5
		Possible Credits Available	24	1 credits

FRENCH (3FRE)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Students must sit all the standards and

obtain at least 10 credits in NCEA Level 2 French including AS 91121 (reading). An

interview might be required at the

discretion of the TIC

Fieldwork: Cheese evening and French Film Festival

Course Contributions: Highly recommended workbook \$15

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Killip

HOLA in charge: Ms Lodge

COURSE OUTLINE

"The more languages you know, the more you are a person" - (Bulgarian proverb)

This course consolidates students' confidence to express and exchange ideas to establish real communication in French. Students will gain the skills to understand authentic and up to date materials (magazines, movies, internet sites), to express opinions, to retell stories and events, to present facts and arguments to inform, persuade on a range of topics such as a French region of your choice, your future career, current environmental, cultural and social issues. The assessments for Level 3 French consist of a writing portfolio, the presentation standard, a reading exam and a listening exam.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards		
AS91547	French 3.5	Write a variety of text types in clear French to explore and justify varied ideas and perspectives	Internal	5
AS91544	French 3.2	Give a clear spoken presentation in French that communicates a critical response to stimulus material	Internal	3
		NCEA External Achievement Standards		
AS91543	French 3.1	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended spoken French texts	External	5
AS91546	French 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended written/visual French texts	External	5
		Possible Credits Availabi	e 18	8 Credits

JAPANESE (3JAP)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 10 credits in NCEA Level 2 Japanese

including standard 91136 (Reading)

Fieldwork: Trip to a Japanese antique ship, Japanese

restaurant and Auckland Museum (\$50)

Course Contributions: Workbook \$15; Cooking lessons \$20

(Highly recommended)

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Lodge

HOLA in charge: Ms Lodge

COURSE OUTLINE

How many languages you know - that many times you are a person. (Pavlo Tychyna, Ukrainian proverb)

This is a practical and immersive course designed to build students' fluency and confidence in using Japanese in real-world contexts. Students deepen their communication skills through topics such as food and culture, travel planning, and navigating daily life in Japan. A highlight of the course is a series of hands-on Japanese cooking lessons, giving students the opportunity to explore culture through cuisine while building relevant language for authentic situations. Aligned with Curriculum Level 8, this course supports students to develop control over a range of language and text types, express increasingly sophisticated ideas and opinions, and respond with insight to written and spoken texts. Students are encouraged to reflect on cultural perspectives and communicate with increasing independence and accuracy.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Int/Ext	Credits CODES		
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards					
AS91554	Japanese 3.2	Give a clear spoken presentation in Japanese that communicates a critical response to stimulus material		Internal	3		
AS91557	Japanese 3.5	Write a variety of text types in clear Japanese to explore and justify varied ideas and perspectives		Internal	5		
	NCEA External Achievement Standards						
AS91553	Japanese 3.1	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended spoken Japanese texts		External	5		
AS91556	Japanese 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of a variety of extended written/visual Japanese texts		External	5		
			Possible Credits Available	18	3 Credits		

TE REO MĀORI (3MAO)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits at NCEA Level 2 Te Reo Māori

Fieldwork: Whānau hui, Manutaki Student Council,

Noho Marae

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study at University

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Whaea Roimata

HOLA in charge: Ms Lodge

COURSE OUTLINE

"Mā te huruhuru ka rewa ki runga"

With feathers, one can fly

This whakatauki is an analogy for te reo Māori and the power in which it provides youth to succeed.

Tikanga Māori is the founding platform at NCEA Level 3. At the end of Taumata 3 students can take part in conversation with speakers of te reo Māori, understand most of what is said, and contribute relevant comments. They can explain and discuss many of their own ideas and opinions and may use te reo Māori creatively. They can read a variety of authentic te reo Māori materials and write expressively for a range of purposes. Students use a range of strategies to help them learn te reo Māori effectively, and they demonstrate a high level of fluency for a learner of te reo Māori as a second language. The NCEA Level 2 course is the building block with an immersion interview with Whaea Roimata for acceptance into the course.

The NCEA Level 3 course develops student skills in six different language modes—Whakarono (Listening), Pānui (Reading), Mātirotiro (Viewing), Kōrero (Speaking), Tuhituhi (Writing) and Whakapuaki (Presenting). In each of these modes students should be able to meet the following achievement objectives: communicate about certainty and uncertainty, possibility and probability; develop an argument or point of view with reasons; recount a series of events to inform, persuade or

entertain; communicate the same information in different ways for different audiences; respond to

selected texts in te reo Māori that are about te reo and tikanga Māori.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91651	Te Reo Māori 3.2	Kōrero kia whakamahi i te reo Māori o te ao whānui	Internal	6	L
AS91654	Te Reo Māori 3.5	Waihanga tuhinga whai take i te reo Māori o te ao whānui	Internal	6	L/W
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91652	Te Reo Māori 3.3	Pānui kia mōhio ki te reo Māori o te ao whānui	External	6	L/R
AS91653	Te Reo Māori 3.4	Tuhi i te reo Māori o te ao whānui	External	6	L/W
		Possible Credits Availabl	e 24	4 credit	5

CALCULUS (3MAC)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Merit or better in AS91261- Apply algebraic

methods in solving problems, AS91262- Apply calculus methods in solving problems and at least an Achieved in AS91259- Apply trigonometric relationships in solving problems, AS 91257 Apply

graphical methods in solving problems

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: FX9860GIII Casio Graphic calculator is compulsory -

approximately \$200e

Year 13 EAS Calculus workbook—approx. \$25

Course Leads to: This course will lead to University courses in

engineering, sciences and any field where

mathematical analysis is important.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Hu

HOLA in charge: Mrs Bennet

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Calculus will assess all five Calculus Level 3 Achievement Standards giving a total of 24 credits. The aims of the standards are to consolidate and extend students' ability in algebraic, graphical and computations skills, to extend students' ability to formulate problems in mathematical terms and advance students' understanding of the nature of mathematical reasoning. This highly academic course also enables students to work towards scholarship level.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

 Students cannot take Mathematics (3MAT) with either Calculus (3MAC), Statistics & Probability (3SAP) or Statistics & Probability Alternative (3SPA).



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards				
AS91574	Mathematics 3.2	Apply linear programming methods in solving problems		Internal	3	Ν
AS91575	Mathematics 3.3	Apply trigonometric methods in solving problems		Internal	4	N
		NCEA External Achievement Standards				
AS91577	Mathematics 3.5	Apply the algebra of complex numbers in solving problems		External	5	Ν
AS91578	Mathematics 3.6	Apply differentiation methods in solving problems		External	6	N
AS91579	Mathematics 3.7	Apply integration methods in solving problems		External	6	N
			Possible Credits Available	18	Credits	

MATHEMATICS (3MAT)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: At least 14 credits from NCEA Level 2

Mathematics and Statistics achievement

standards including AS91267- Apply Probability methods in solving problems.

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: FX9860GIII Casio Graphic calculator is

compulsory -approximately \$200.

Highly recommended Walker Maths

workbook—approx. \$15

Course Leads to: University Entrance

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Chand HOLA in charge: Mrs Bennet

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Mathematics is for students who wish to continue studying Mathematics at level 3 to gain university entrance or for other future employment.

This course will assess six Level 3 achievement standards from the Calculus and Statistics standards giving a total of 22 credits. This course will cover themes related to operations research, optimisation and data analysis. These standards have been selected because they develop skills that would appropriate in a wide range of tertiary courses and future careers.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

• Students cannot take Mathematics (3MAT) with either Calculus (3MAC), Statistics & Probability (3SAP) or Statistics & Probability Alternative (3SPA).



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91574	Maths & Statistics 3.2	Apply linear programming methods in solving problems	Internal	3	Ν
AS91587	Maths & Statistics 3.15	Apply systems of simultaneous equations in solving problems	Internal	3	Ν
AS91580	Maths & Statistics 3.8	Investigate time series data	Internal	4	N
AS91581	Maths & Statistics 3.10	Investigate bivariate measurement data	Internal	4	N
AS91575		Apply trigonometric methods in solving problems	Internal	4	Ν
AS91586	Maths & Statistics 3.14	Apply probability distributions in solving problems	External	4	N
		Possible Credits Available	13	8 Credits	

STATISTICS & PROBABILITY (3SAP)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Merit or better in AS91264- Use statistical methods to

make an inference, AS91267- Apply probability methods in solving problems AS91261- Apply

algebraic methods in solving problems and one Level 2

English external achievement standard.

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: Highly recommended: workbook \$20

FX9860GIII Casio Graphic calculator is compulsory -

approximately \$200

Course Leads to: This course will lead to University courses in biological

sciences, statistics, commerce and any fields where

data collection and analysis are important.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Bennet HOLA in charge: Mrs Bennet

COURSE OUTLINE

The aims of this course is to extend students' abilities to tackle modelling and problem-solving situations, to provide a first course on probability procedures based on the normal, binomial and Poisson distributions and to develop students' awareness of the usefulness and wide range of applications of statistical investigation and statistical literacy.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

 Students cannot take Mathematics (3MAT) with either Calculus (3MAC), Statistics & Probability (3SAP) or Statistics & Probability Alternative (3SPA).



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Credits	CODES			
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards							
AS91580	Maths & Statistics 3.8	Investigate times series data	Internal	4	N			
AS91581	Maths & Statistics 3.9	Investigate bivariate measurement data	Internal	4	N			
AS91582	Maths & Statistics 3.10	Use statistical methods to make a formal inference	Internal	4	N			
	NCEA External Achievement Standards							
AS91585	Maths & Statistics 3.13	Apply probability concepts in solving problems	External	4	N			
AS91586	Maths & Statistics 3.14	Apply probability distributions in solving problems	External	4	N			
AS91584	Maths & Statistics 3.12	Evaluate statistically based reports	External	4	N/R/W			
		Possible Credits Available	e 24 Credits					

STATISTICS & PROBABILITY - ALTERNATIVE (3SPA)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: At least 14 credits in NCEA level 2 Mathematics and

Statistics including AS91264- Use statistical methods to make an inference and AS91267-Apply probability methods in solving problems and one Level 2 English

achievement standard.

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: Workbook \$20 (Highly recommended)

FX9860GIII Casio Graphic calculator is compulsory -

approximately \$200.

Course Leads to: This course will lead to University courses in biological

sciences, statistics, commerce and any fields where

data collection and analysis are important.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Bennet HOLA in charge: Mrs Bennet

COURSE OUTLINE

The aims of this course is to extend students' abilities to tackle modelling and problem-solving situations, to provide a first course on probability procedures based on the normal, binomial and Poisson distributions and to develop students' awareness of the usefulness and wide range of applications of statistics.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

Students cannot take Mathematics (3MAT) with either Calculus (3MAC), Statistics & Probability (3SAP) or Statistics & Probability Alternative (3SPA).



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Int/Ext	Credits	CODES			
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
AS91580	Maths & Statistics 3.8	Investigate times series data		Internal	4	N			
AS91581	Maths & Statistics 3.9	Investigate bivariate measurement data		Internal	4	N			
AS91582	Maths & Statistics 3.10	Use statistical methods to make a formal inference		Internal	4	N			
AS91583	Maths & Statistics 3.11	Conduct an experiment to investigate a situation using experimental design principles		Internal	4	N			
	NCEA External Achievement Standards								
AS91584	Maths & Statistics 3.12	Evaluate statistically based reports		External	4	N/R/W			
			Possible Credits Available	<i>le</i> 20 Credits		S			

BIOLOGY (3BIO)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: At least 12 credits in Level 2 Biology

course.

Fieldwork: EOTC will be carried out at Auckland Zoo.

Approx. costs \$30

Course Contributions: Level 3 SciPAD workbook (Highly

recommended)

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Biology or related fields

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Devi-Govind

HOLA in charge: Mr Kumar

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Biology continues the themes of Level 2, focusing understanding of genetic change towards Speciation, and Human Evolution. In addition students are introduced to the behaviours and responses of both plants and animals which allow species continuation and change. Human Biology (Homeostasis) returns with the study of system responses to the changes in an external environment. In addition students are actively encouraged through teaching and assessment to develop research and reporting skills transferable to many other disciplines. Outstanding students may choose to sit the Biology Scholarship (Level 4) exam at the end of the course.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91602	Biology 3.2	Integrate biological knowledge to develop an informed response to a socio-scientific issue	Internal	3	R
AS91604	Biology 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of how an animal maintains a stable internal environment	Internal	3	R
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91603	Biology 3.3	Demonstrate understanding of the responses of plants and animals to their external environment	External	5	R/W
AS91605	Biology 3.5	Demonstrate understanding of evolutionary processes leading to speciation	External	4	R/W
AS91606	Biology 3.6	Demonstrate understanding of trends in human evolution	External	4	R/W
		Possible Credits Availab	le 1	9 Credits	S

CHEMISTRY (3CHE)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: At least 12 credits in Level 2 Chemistry

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Chemistry or related

fields

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Singh

HOLA in charge: Mr Kumar

COURSE OUTLINE

Chemistry is the study of the composition and properties of matter, and the changes it undergoes. Students will sit the NCEA Level 3 Chemistry examinations at the end of the course. Outstanding students may choose to sit the Chemistry Scholarship (Level 4) exam at the end of the course.

Students will start the year with the Particles and Thermochemistry external assessment followed by the first internal Redox and the remaining two externals topics leading towards the school practice examinations. The remaining spectroscopy internal will be done in August before the school practice examinations.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Int/Ext	Credits CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91388	Chemistry 3.2	Demonstrate understanding of spectroscopic data in chemistry		Internal	3
AS91393	Chemistry 3.7	Describe oxidation-reduction processes		Internal	3
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91390	Chemistry 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of thermochemical principles and the properties of particles and substances		External	5
AS91391	Chemistry 3.5	Demonstrate understanding of the properties of organic compounds		External	5
AS91392	Chemistry 3.6	Demonstrate understanding of equilibrium principles in aqueous systems		External	5
			Possible Credits Available	21	1 Credits

PHYSICS (3PHY)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: At least 12 credits in Level 2 Physics

Fieldwork: There may be opportunities for careers-

oriented visits and/or opportunities to explore real-work physics, e.g. amusement

park physics (to be confirmed)

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Physics or related fields

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Raj

HOLA in charge: Mr Kumar

COURSE OUTLINE

Physics is the study of matter, energy and forces. In Level 3 Physics students develop understanding of physics concepts and principles and their applications. Practical investigations are a vital part of the course and contribute to the internal assessment AS91521. Outstanding students may choose to sit the Physics Scholarship exam at the end of the course. Students are required to carry out calculations using formulae and describe and explain physics concepts. Topics:

- 1. Experimental Physics
- 2. Mechanics (translational, rotational and simple harmonic motion)
- 3. Waves
- 4. Direct Current Electricity and Capacitance
- 5. Electromagnetic Induction
- 6. Alternating Current
- 7. Atomics Spectra
- 8. Photoelectric effect
- 9. Nuclear Reactions



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Int/Ext	Credits CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91521	Physics 3.1	Carry out a practical investigation to test a physics theory relating two variables in a non-linear relationship		Internal	4
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91523	Physics 3.3	Demonstrate understanding of wave systems		External	4
AS91524	Physics 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of mechanical systems		External	6
AS91526	Physics 3.6	Demonstrate understanding of electrical systems		External	6
			Possible Credits Available	20	Credits

ACCOUNTING (3ACC)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 11 credits in NCEA Level 2 Accounting

Fieldwork: To Wellington: Reserve Bank of NZ, Treasury NZ,

NZ Statistics and Parliament tour to be

confirmed

Course Contributions: Approximately \$38 for a workbook (Highly

recommended).

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study and careers in Auditing, Budget

Analysis, Financial or Management Accounting and Tax Accounting for Accounting Firms, Government, Corporations or even running your

own Accounting firm.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Kaur

HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

The purpose of Accounting is to provide financial and non-financial information to assist decision-making in the management of, and investment in, public and private sector organisations. The major roles of an accountant are to identify, measure, interpret and communicate information relevant to these decisions. In addition, the study of accounting is designed to promote critical thinking and develop practical competencies, and prepare students for university education and a wide variety of careers. This course builds on the introductory Accounting studied at Level 1 and 2, and moves it into the sphere of partnerships and companies. Concepts are applied to these businesses; processing undertaken and statements are provided.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91407	Accounting 3.4	Prepare a report for an external user that interprets the annual report of a New Zealand reporting entity	Internal	5	R/W
AS91409	Accounting 3.6	Demonstrate understanding of a job cost subsystem for an entity	Internal	4	
AS91405	Accounting 3.2	Demonstrate understanding of accounting for partnerships (optional)	Internal	4	
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91406	Accounting 3.3	Demonstrate understanding of company financial statement preparation	External	5	
AS91408	Accounting 3.5	Demonstrate understanding of management accounting to make a decision	External	4	
		Possible Credits Available	22	2 Credits	5

BUSINESS STUDIES (3BUS)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits (including one external) in NCEA Level 2

Business Studies

Fieldwork: Students will work with a business to develop an

innovative product.

Course Contributions: \$16 for level 3 business internal factors learning

workbook (Highly recommended)

Course Leads to: All students who take Business Studies potentially

gain the knowledge, skills, and attributes required to become entrepreneurs, run their own business. Some students may pursue further qualifications in Business Studies or commerce at polytechnics,

wānanga, or universities.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Sharma

HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

The study of business is about how individuals and groups of people organise, plan, and act to create and develop goods and services to satisfy customers. Business is influenced by and impacts on the cultural, ethical, environmental, political, and economic conditions of the day. Issues such as sustainability, citizenship, enterprise, and are central to both business and the study of business.

The knowledge and skills gained in business studies, and exposure to enterprise culture, can help shape "creative, energetic, and enterprising" young people who will contribute to New Zealand's economic future. In Level 3 Business Studies, students develop their understanding of business theory and practices in a range of relevant contexts, through experiential as well as theoretical approaches to learning.

Students will gain knowledge, skills, and experience to:

- Analyse how and why businesses in New Zealand operating in the national and global markets make operational and strategic decisions in response to interacting internal and external factors.
- Plan, investigate a product with an export potential and link it to a business marketing
- Students will plan and carry out their own business.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91870	Agribusiness 3.9	Analyse the effect of financing options of a strategic capital expenditure decision on a business	Internal	4	
AS91871	Agribusiness 3.10	Analyse how a product meets market needs through innovation in the value chain	Internal	4	R
AS91383	Business Studies 3.5	Analyse a Human Resource Issue affecting Businesses	Internal	3	R
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91379	Business Studies 3.1	Demonstrate an understanding of how internal factors interact within a business that operates in a global context	External	4	R/W
AS91381	Business Studies 3.3	Apply business knowledge to address a complex problem(s) in a given global business context	External	4	R/W
	Possible Credits Available 19 Credits				

CLASSICAL STUDIES (3CLS)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in one of NCEA Level 2 Achievement

Standards: History, Classical Studies, Drama Geography <u>or</u> English (including at least a pass in <u>one</u> History/Classical Studies standard: AS91200, AS91203, 91233) <u>or</u> (a Merit in <u>one</u> of the

following English external standards: AS91098,

AS91099, AS91100).

Fieldwork: Classics Schools' Day Sessions \$30 (optional)

Potential trip (\$40) (optional);

Course Contributions: Either 2 x 1B5 or 2 x 1B8

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Ancient History, Classical Studies,

English, and is very useful for Law.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Mihajlov

HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

This course aims to make learning enjoyable and to offer valuable skills for when you leave into the big grand world. The key to success is a relaxed atmosphere and a focus on the crucial aspects of society that we still mimic today, like populism, foundational democracy, and social tragedy. Classical Studies is a holistic study of ancient Greek civilisation. It covers philosophy, comedy, militarism, society, politics, drama, literature, history, art and architecture. Level 3 Classical Studies focuses on introducing the ancient world to students and on developing the skills necessary to study literary heavy subjects in Tertiary or beyond. The study of ancient history involves looking at all aspects of a society in order to piece together what life, beliefs and values would have been like of the people of that time, alongside the major historical events of the period. Level 3 Classical Studies focuses on the final years of the 'Golden Age' of Greece - 5th century BCE Athens, all the way through to the beginning of the Hellenistic Age in the 4th century BCE. The course begins with the philosophies of Socrates and his intellectual and social impact upon a defeated Athens. From here we look into a different perspective of the same issue, but now with the comedic plays of Aristophanes. Through the playwright, we witness what life could actually have been like for people in Athens during their disastrous war effort in the Peloponnesian War. Finally, we look at the military and political campaigns of

Alexander the Great and the reasons behind his ultimate success in his conquest of

the known world.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES		
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards						
AS91397	Classical Studies 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of significant ideology(ies) in the classical world	Internal	6	R		
AS91398	Classical Studies 3.5	Demonstrate understanding of the lasting influences of the classical world on other cultures across time	Internal	6	R		
		NCEA External Achievement Standards					
AS91394	Classical Studies 3.1	Analyse ideas and values of the classical world	External	4	R/W		
AS91396	Classical Studies 3.3	Analyse the impact of a significant historical figure on the classical world	External	6	R/W		
Possible Credits Available			22	Credite	;		

ECONOMICS (3ECO)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in NCEA Level 2 Economics (including one

external)

Fieldwork: To Wellington: Reserve Bank of NZ ,Treasury NZ , NZ

Statistics to be confirmed or Waihi Gold Mine

Course Contributions: \$26 for understanding microeconomics workbook &

\$15 for understanding macroeconomics workbook

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in commerce/business, marketing,

construction economics (quantity surveying), forestry, farm management, journalism and teaching. Careers in manufacturing, transport, communications, banking, insurance, investment and retailing industries, as well as in government agencies, consulting and charitable

organisations

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Sharma HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Economics splits into two sections. It starts by building upon Level 2 Economics by looking at Aggregate Economics, often referred to as macroeconomics. This area investigates the whole economy, looking at GDP, Inflation, International trade and government policies associated with these issues. The course then moves into microeconomics. Students focus on the economics of individual markets and how the characteristics of and influences on these markets affect their ability to efficiently answer the central economic problem of scarcity.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards				
AS91401	Economics 3.3	Demonstrate understanding of micro-economic concepts	Internal	5	R
AS91402	Economics 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of government interventions to correct market failures	Internal	5	R
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91400	Economics 3.2	Demonstrate understanding of the efficiency of different market structures using marginal analysis	External	4	R/W
AS91403	Economics 3.5	Demonstrate understanding of macro-economic influences on the New Zealand economy	External	6	R/W
Possible Credits Available			20	Credit:	5

FINANCIAL STUDIES (3FIN)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 10 credits in NCEA Level 2 Financial

Studies or 60 credits at NCEA level 2 including 8 credits in Level 2 Maths. Students who do not meet the prerequisites may make an application for

this course.

Fieldwork: To be advised

Course Contributions: \$20 online FLP learning resource

Course Leads to: Further study in Finance, Business,

Commerce programmes

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved

subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Sharma

HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

The course aims to foster financial understanding, improve investor skills, and provide a format for designing a life strategy. It takes a more analytical approach than the Financial Literacy program and is expected to qualify for NCEA credits. Level 3 Finance covers such topics as investments, financial planning, student loans, external influences on investment decisions. Level 3 Finance is about personal financial management for the future where as Level 2 Financial Literacy is about personal financial management for the present.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards				
28098	-	Evaluate options to increase personal income		Internal	3	
28099	-	Demonstrate knowledge of personal income, credit, and the impact of employment decisions on them		Internal	5	
28100	-	Set a complex personal financial goal and plan its implementation		Internal	3	
28102	-	Demonstrate knowledge of risk, return and diversification		Internal	3	
28103	-	Analyse and select personal house financing and purchase options		Internal	3	
			Possible Credits Available	17	7 Credits	;

Fieldwork:

GEOGRAPHY (3GEO)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in NCEA Level 2 Geography. For

students new to Geography at Level 3, 12 credits from either Level 2 English

(Achievement Standards) or Level 2 History or Level 2 Classical Studies.

Field trips to Auckland beaches. Local

fieldwork to support research.

Course Contributions: Fieldwork expenses - \$60 (estimated

costs). Local field work: no cost.

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Miss Brodie
HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

Geography is the study of our environment, the way people have changed it to meet their needs — and our place in it. Geographers try to understand what makes up the natural and cultural environment and how these elements interact. As geographers, students are encouraged to develop their ability to think about and synthesise material from a range of sources, (including statistics, photographs and aerial imagery, spatial technologies, reports, interviews), then use this material to write their own reports. The transferable skills developed in the study of Geography will be of significant benefit to students intending to study at university.

The course will look at the natural processes that shape the Auckland coastal environment, contemporary issues and cultural processes operating at a global and national scale. Students will carry out research within the local community which will enable them to develop and apply a range of practical skills.

For some standards, students will have a choice about the topics that they work on. At this level, students are able to choose topics and direct their own learning to a greater extent than in Levels 1 and 2 Geography. This enables students to delve into aspects of geography that interest them.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91428	Geography 3.3	Analyse a significant contemporary event from a geographic perspective	Internal	3	R
AS91430	Geography 3.5	Conduct geographic research with consultation	Internal	5	
AS91431	Geography 3.6	Analyse aspects of a contemporary geographic issue	Internal	3	R
AS91432	Geography 3.7	Analyse aspects of a geographic topic at a global scale	Internal	3	R
AS91433	Geography 3.8	Apply spatial analysis, with consultation, to solve a geographic problem	Internal	3	
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91246	Geography 3.1	Demonstrate understanding of how interacting natural processes shape a New Zealand geographic environment	External	4	R/W
AS91247	Geography 3.2	Demonstrate understanding of how a cultural process shapes geographic environment(s)	External	4	R/W
AS91429	Geography 3.4	Demonstrate understanding of a given environment(s) through the selection and application of geographic concepts and skills	External	4	R/W
	Possible Credits Available 19—22 Credits				

HISTORY (3HIS)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 14 credits in one of NCEA Level 2

Achievement Standards: History, Classical Studies, Geography or English (including at least a pass in one History/Classical Studies standard: AS91200, AS91203, 91233) or (a Merit in one of the following English external standards: AS91098, AS91099,

AS91100).

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in History or any University

research based course

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Chidley HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 History is the culmination of the course providing a transition to tertiary studies. It demands a higher level of thinking. Through this study, students will develop skills in research interpretation, evaluation, historical empathy and analysis. At this level students explore issues at greater depth and with more historical insight than during the previous year. The topics studied help students to understand current issues, such as the protest movements around the globe and the experiences of living through a pandemic. There is a shift in emphasis towards a consideration of historical method, and historiography – what is involved in the craft of the historian. Students are expected to argue a convincing case in answer to searching historical questions. By the end of the course students will have studied in depth some key historical developments of yesterday's world which will contribute to understanding their society. At Level 3 the themes will likely be a mixture of the following that illustrate Global History: Aspects of Nineteenth Century New Zealand; The Enlightenment, the Salem Witch Trials, The Historian's Craft. All standards offered illustrate world events and New Zealand's place in the world.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91434	History 3.1	Research an historical event or place of significance to New Zealanders, using primary and secondary sources	Internal	5	R
AS91435	History 3.2	Analyse an historical event, or place, of significance to New Zealanders	Internal	5	R
AS91437	History 3.4	Analyse different perspectives of a contested event of significance to New Zealanders	Internal	5	R
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91436	History 3.3	Analyse evidence relating to an historical event of significance to New Zealanders	External	4	R/W
AS91438	History 3.5	Analyse the causes and consequences of a significant historical event	External	6	R/W
Possible Credits Available				Credits	Š

PSYCHOLOGY (3PSY)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 14 credits at Level 2 Psychology

Fieldwork: Independent research approved by TIC

Course Contributions:

Course Leads to: Tertiary pathways

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Rooke

HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

NCEA Level 3 Psychology builds on the knowledge and skills gained from the Level 2 Psychology course. This course will give the opportunity to consolidate and expand on knowledge of the psychological approaches, theories and research methodologies (started at Level 2). Being able to work effectively as part of a group as well as independently is key to achieving success in this subject. Students are expected to take an active part in class room discussions as both a listener and contributor.

This course encourages students to critically respond to the knowledge of human behaviour in the social, cultural and historical context of today and the period from which the theory and research has evolved. The course requires the development of students' critical thinking and reading skills and engagement with different points of view.

You should have strong literacy and analytical skills as well as enjoy thinking creatively about questions around human behaviour.

This course offers 3 internally assessed standards and 1 external standard.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES				
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
AS91872 or	Psychology 3.1	Analyse the interaction between psychological approaches	Internal	6 or	R				
AS91875	Psychology 3.4	Analyse how theories are applied within a field of psychological practice	Internal	4	R				
AS91873	Psychology 3.2	Analyse the significance of a key piece of research and its impact on society	Internal	3	R				
AS91874	Psychology 3.3	Conduct independent psychological research with consultation	Internal	6	R				
		NCEA External Achievement Standards							
AS91876	Psychology 3.5	Analyse a significant issue in psychological practice	External	3	R/W				
		Possible Credits Available	ailable 16 or 18 Credits		dits				

TRAVEL & TOURISM (3TSM)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 60 credits at Level 2 including 8 Level 2

literacy credits or 16+ Tourism Level 2

credits.

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: \$50

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Travel and Tourism

Programmes

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved

subject for University Entry

Course Providers: Botany Downs Secondary College, NZ

School of Tourism and The International

Travel College.

Teacher in charge: Mrs Rawlings

HOLA in charge: Miss Douglas

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Travel and Tourism is a vocational subject in which students achieve Unit Standards that allow them to work towards study at tertiary level.

Travel and Tourism is one of New Zealand's fastest growing industries and is vital to New Zealand's economy. The Level 3 course provides interested students with a foot in the door to this exciting and dynamic industry. In this course, students will look at popular tourist regions such as Australia, the Pacific Islands, Asian countries and New Zealand. Students will be able to locate destinations, key geographical features, attractions and activities in these destinations as well as describe travel information that would assist tourists visiting these countries.

Students who do not meet the prerequisites for this course may make an application to the Teacher In Charge.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
US25508	-	Demonstrate knowledge of World Travel Geography	Internal	3	
US18211	-	Demonstrate knowledge of Australia as a tourist destination	Internal	5	
US3727	-	Demonstrate knowledge of the Pacific Islands as a tourist destination	Internal	5	
US26461	-	Demonstrate knowledge of Asian countries as tourist destinations	Internal	8	
US18212	-	Demonstrate knowledge of New Zealand as a tourist destination (optional)	Internal	8	
		Possible Credits Available	2	1 Credits	;

DESIGN & VISUAL COMMUNICATION (3DVC)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: At least 10 credits in NCEA Level 2 DVC or

HOLA discretion

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: None

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Design and Visual

Communication including Architecture,

Product Design and Engineering.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Achary

HOLA in charge: Mr Achary

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Design & Visual Communication will build on the experiences of Level 2 DVC and will enable students to apply their acquired knowledge to Spatial and Product design. The design opportunities will enable students to explore areas of DVC that better suit their interests and strengths. This will enable them to achieve in both the internal and external achievement standards through the production of design work, presentation and through testing and evaluation. They will also plan and produce illustrative presentation portfolios through smart planning. Innovation and authentic ideation which is a critical part of the Level 3 DVC course.

Students can also enter for scholarship in DVC if their portfolio of work and presentation shows innovative design practice and application of advanced graphics skills.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits CODES		
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards					
AS91629		Resolve a spatial design through graphics practice	Internal	6		
AS91630	Graphics 3.33	Resolve a product design through graphics practice	Internal	6		
AS91628	Graphics 3.31	Develop a visual presentation that exhibits a design outcome to an audience	Internal	6		
		NCEA External Achievement Standards				
AS91627	Graphics 3.30	Initiate design ideas through exploration	External	4		
		Possible Credits Available	22	2 Credits		

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES WITH PROGRAMMING (3DIP)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 10 credits from 2DIP or See Head of DIT

for accessing online courses to meet

prerequisites.

Fieldwork: Compulsory trip to software company

Course Contributions: Online courses (Highly recommended)

Course Leads to: Tertiary study in computer science or

employment in IT/Business

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Nelapati

HOLA in charge: Mr Achary

COURSE OUTLINE

This course is suitable for academic students who want to develop complex computer programming skills. It builds on advanced computer programming skills learnt in 2DIP. The students work on designing object-oriented programming that is modular and has a graphical user interface. Students will conduct a critical inquiry to identify a problem and find solutions by using complex techniques and processes in programming.

Students will also be able to present a reflective analysis of developing a complex Digital Outcome in the External examination.

Several NZ Universities including Auckland University give recognition to prior learning (RPL) for students enrolling in Computer Science, Information Technology and Software Engineering courses.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91906	Digital Technologies	Develop a computer programme, using complex programming techniques	Internal	6	
AS91907	Digital Technologies	Use complex processes to develop a digital technologies outcome	Internal	6	
AS91900	Digital Technologies	Conduct a Critical Inquiry to propose a Digital Technology Solution	Internal	6	
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91909	Digital Technologies	Present a reflective analysis of developing a digital outcome	External	3	
			Possible Credits Available 2	1 Credits	5

FASHION AND DESIGN TECHNOLOGY (3FDN)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in NCEA Level 2 Technology

Fieldwork: Students may have on-going field work to

confer with their client (if they choose to produce a garment for someone other

than themselves).

Course Contributions: \$40 to cover class materials. Students are

to supply their own fabric and pattern for garment production (maximum of two

textiles products over the year).

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Fashion, Textiles,

Costume, and technology related studies

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Angie Thomson

HOLA in charge: Mr Achary

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Fashion and Design Technology focuses on refining the creative and technical skills required to pursue a career in the fashion, costume or textiles industries. Students will build a portfolio of work using a technological approach to develop innovative and creative problem solving skills. A key feature of the main project for Level 3 is to choose an authentic context and issue to work with. Depending on the student's personal interest, a context could be chosen with a need in a variety of areas within the textiles industry, such as; fashion, theatre, school production or interior design. Students are encouraged to meet designers to gain an understanding of this process within the real world. Use of a wide range of practical skills is encouraged to reinforce and further develop their learning. Students who partake in this course will be preparing themselves for tertiary study in fashion, costume or interior design or to pursue a career in the textiles industry. The second project is a short unit of work where students will aesthetically enhance a chosen product through the use of applied design techniques.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

Students can choose only one from of the following Technology options: Multi Materials Technology (3TEM), Fashion & Design Technology (3FDN), Food Technology (3TEF).



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title		Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards				
AS91610	Technology 3.3	Develop a conceptual design considering fitness for purpose in the broadest sense		Internal	6	
AS91611	Technology 3.4	Develop a prototype considering fitness for purpose in the broadest sense		Internal	6	
AS91621	Technology 3.21	Implement complex procedures using textile materials to make a specified product		Internal	6	
		NCEA External Achievement Standards				
91617	Technology 3.10	Undertake a critique of a technological outcome's design		External	4	R/W
			Possible Credits Available	ole 22 Credits		ò

FOOD & HOSPITALITY (3FAH)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 10 credits in NCEA Level 2 Technology /

FAH or Level 1/2Technology

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: \$160 (basic course ingredients to be

supplied, students may also be asked to

bring food items).

Competition Fee \$40 (optional)

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study at MIT / AUT or other -

Hospitality / Catering / Management / Modern Apprenticeship opportunity

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved

subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Thomson

HOLA in charge: Mr Achary

COURSE OUTLINE

This course is a continuation of Level 2 Food & Hospitality and incorporates further opportunity to develop skills in food and beverage service, catering and cookery at Level 3. Students will be introduced to the art of coffee making and develop food and beverage skills incorporating hands-on experience in the food industry. There is also the expectation that students choosing to take this course will show a high level of commitment, energy and resourcefulness in order to complete the year's study. Students may be asked to participate in catering events outside of school hours.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

• Students can not take both Food & Hospitality (3FAH) and Food Technology (3TEF) unless given approval from the TIC (this will be granted on a case by case basis).

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
US13282	Cookery	Prepare, assemble and present complex and sandwiches for service in a commercial kitchen	Internal	2	
US17288	Food & Bev	Prepare and present espresso beverages for services	Internal	5	
US18497	Cookery	Demonstrate knowledge of culinary products and terms	Internal	8	
US13325	Cookery	Prepare and present basic cakes, sponges and scones in a commercial kitchen	Internal	4	
		Possible Credits Available	ole 19 credits		

FOOD TECHNOLOGY (3TEF)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 14 credits in NCEA Level 2 Technology or

successful completion of full level 1

Programme.

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: \$160 basic course ingredients to be

supplied, students may also be asked to

bring food items).

Competition Fee \$40 (optional)

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Technology studies—

Technologist / Hospitality / Food Industry

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Thomson

HOLA in charge: Mr Achary

COURSE OUTLINE

This course is based on the Technology Curriculum and will be assessed against four Technology Achievement, University approved Standards. There is no examination; however one Achievement Standard will be assessed through external marking. Students will use a technological approach to develop innovative, creative and sustainable food outcomes using problem solving skills. Advanced practical skills in a wide range of materials are encouraged along with the learning of techniques and processes. All the standards will be attached to a unit of work on 'Food Innovation - Designing for the real world'.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

- Students can not take both Food & Hospitality (3FAH) and Food Technology (3TEF) unless given approval from the TIC (this will be granted on a case by case basis).
- Students can choose only one from of the following Technology options: Multi Materials Technology (3TEM), Fashion & Design Technology (3FDN), Food Technology (3TEF).



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES				
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
AS91608	Technology 3.1	Undertake brief development to address an issue within a determined context	Internal	4					
AS91611	Technology 3.4	Develop a prototype considering fitness for purpose in the broadest sense	Internal	6					
AS91643	Technology 3.60	Implement complex procedures to process a specified product	Internal	6					
		NCEA External Achievement Standards							
AS91617	Technology 3.10	Undertake a critique of a technological outcome's design	External	4	R/W				
		Possible Credits Available	20	Credit	5				

MULTI MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY (3TEM)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 13 credits in NCEA Level 2 Technology

Fieldwork: N/A

Course Contributions: \$95

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Technology related

studies

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mr Jowers-Wilding

HOLA in charge: Mr Achary

COURSE OUTLINE

This course is based on the Technology Curriculum and will be assessed against four Technology Achievement Standards. There is no examination; however one achievement standard will be assessed through external marking. Students will use a technological approach to develop innovative and creative problem solving skills. Advanced practical skills in a wide range of materials are encouraged along with the learning of techniques and processes. All the standards will be attached to a unit of work on 'Innovation'.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

Students can choose only one from the following Technology options: Multi Materials Technology (3TEM), Fashion & Design Technology (3FDN), Food Technology (3TEF).



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
AS91608	Technology 3.1	Undertake brief development to address an issue within a determined context	Internal	4	
AS91611	Technology 3.4	Develop a prototype considering fitness for purpose in the broadest sense	Internal	6	
AS91620	Technology 3.20	Implement complex procedures to integrate parts using resistant materials to make a specified product	Internal	6	
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91617	Technology 3.10	Undertake a critique of a technological outcome's design	External	4	R/W
		Possible Credits Available	ble 20 Credits		S

ART/PAINTING (3ART)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in NCEA Level 2 Visual Art or

application and acceptance by HOLA/TIC

Fieldwork: TBC

Course Contributions: \$45

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Fine Arts

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Shum

HOLA in charge: Ms Clapperton

COURSE OUTLINE

Students will explore and engage in an in-depth study of Painting for their Level 3 Art studies. The course allows each student to follow an individual pathway in order to produce original work. To meet the requirements of the standards, students need to extend their knowledge of art making methods and ideas within Painting. Self, peer, collaborative and teacher assessment will be part of the learning process.

There is no examination; however one achievement standard will be assessed through external marking.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

- Students who did not take Level 2 Visual Art will need to submit a portfolio application to be considered for this course. Applications can be obtained from Miss Clapperton (HOD of Art).
- Students can only take a maximum of two subjects from Visual Art: Painting (3ART), Photography (3PHO) or Design (3DES), and are warned against taking 2 Art subjects and another 3rd large internal subject.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards		
AS91446	Visual Art 3.2	Use drawing to demonstrate understanding of conventions appropriate to painting	Internal	4
AS91451	Visual Art 3.3	Systematically clarify ideas using drawing informed by established painting practice	Internal	4
		NCEA External Achievement Standards		
AS91456	Visual Art 3.4	Produce a systematic body of work that integrates conventions and regenerates ideas within painting practice	External	14
		Possible Credits Available	2	2 Credits

ART HISTORY (3ARH)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in NCEA Level 2 Art History or 12

Level 2 Literacy credits

Fieldwork: Trips to Auckland Art Gallery and/or

museum and/or Art History Department at

Auckland University.

Course Contributions: Approximately \$40 for two trips and \$60

for course workbooks.

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Fine Arts/Art History

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Miss Henshaw

HOLA in charge: Miss Clapperton

COURSE OUTLINE

The idea of 'Modernism' as a turning away from tradition towards change and innovation took hold in the middle of the 19th Century. The years between 1900 and 1940 were years of accelerated change - social, technological, political, scientific, and philosophical. Art reflected these changes. Art History is an academic course, which focuses on written responses to art works and their historical contexts. Students research, analyse and respond to Early Modernist Western art forms from 20th Century Europe. Students learn terminology and language specific to the visual arts. This course prepares students for tertiary study in the arts and complements the Level 3 practical art courses and Classics.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES				
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
AS91485	Art His 3.4	Examine the impact of media and processes on art works	Internal	4	R				
AS91486	Art His 3.5	Construct an argument based on interpretation of research in art history	Internal	4	R				
AS91487	Art His 3.6	Examine the different values placed on art works	Internal	4	R				
		NCEA External Achievement Standards							
AS91482	Art His 3.1	Demonstrate understanding of style in art works	External	4	R/W				
AS91483	Art His 3.2	Examine how meanings are communicated through art works	External	4	R				
AS91484	Art His 3.3	Examine the relationship (s) between art and context	External	4	R/W				
		Possible Credits Available	2	4 Credit	S				

DANCE (3DAN)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: Level 2 Dance or an audition. Level 2

English is helpful.

Fieldwork: At least one compulsory trip may take

place during the year.

Optional trips may be offered with costs

TBC.

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs McKenna

HOLA in charge: Mrs McKenna

COURSE OUTLINE

The Level 3 Dance course will focus on composition, performance and a range of dance techniques and theories. Dance at Level 3 is both physically demanding and mentally challenging.

Students are required to dance in whole class performances and complete group choreography that requires written supporting evidence. The external exam requires students to critically analyse and respond to a dance performance.

Level 3 Dance has a strong focus on choreographic intention and current social themes. Students will develop a range of dance techniques such as contemporary, jazz, hip-hop, social and ethnic dance, musical theatre and many more. These skills will be delivered by their teacher as well as external tutors who are trained within their area. Students are required to rehearse in and outside of school as part of their on-going homework in this subject.

Students are required to perform certain pieces for assessment in the dance showcase, Pulse, in Term 3. This is three nights after school.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91589	Dance 3.2	Choreograph a dance to develop and resolve ideas	Internal	4	
AS91590	Dance 3.3	Perform a solo or duet dance	Internal	4	
AS91591	Dance 3.4	Perform a group dance	Internal	4	
AS91592	Dance 3.5	Perform a repertoire of contrasting dances	Internal	6	
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91594	Dance 3.7	Analyse a dance performance	External	4	W
		Possible Credits Available	le 22 Credits		S

DESIGN (3DES)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in NCEA Level 2 Art Design or

application and acceptance by HOLA/TIC

Fieldwork: TBC

Course Contributions: \$60

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Design fields.

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Baker

HOLA in charge: Ms Clapperton

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Design extends the necessary skills and knowledge for students considering a career in any design based field. Students will have the freedom to explore a topic or theme of their choice for their folio board assessment. This could include branding, character design or animation. They will decide the outcomes of their design briefs and the media they choose to work in. Leading design software such as Illustrator, InDesign and Photoshop CC will help students to collate and present their ideas into a final body of work.

Students must be able to use Adobe software confidently. This course is a laptop course and students will need to use a high functioning laptop during class to work on. Students will be provided with an Adobe license for them to install on their laptop. Information regarding this will be given to students at the beginning of the course. Students will need to use a mouse or drawing tablet with their laptops in class.

Note: this is an artistic subject. Students must be creative and must be ICT literate.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

- Students who did not take Level 2 Design will need to submit a portfolio application to be considered for this course. Applications can be obtained from Miss Clapperton (HOD of Art).
- Students can only take a maximum of two subjects from Visual Art: Painting (3ART),
 Photography (3PHO) or Design (3DES), and are warned against taking two Art
 subjects and another third large internal subject.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	1	Int/Ext	Credits CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91445	Design 3.2	Use drawing to demonstrate understanding of conventions appropriate to design	Ir	nternal	4
AS91450	Design 3.3	Systematically clarify ideas using drawing informed by established design practice	Ir	nternal	4
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91455	Design 3.4	Produce a systematic body of work that integrates conventions and regenerates ideas within design practice	E	xternal	14
		F	ossible Credits Available	22	? Credits

DRAMA (3DRA)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in NCEA Level 2 Drama 4 credits

of which should come from AS 91215 or AS91217 or 91219, or 14 credits in English to include AS91100 and practical audition

Fieldwork:

Course Contributions: Fieldwork approximately \$40
Course Leads to: Scholarship and Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Mrs Walton HOLA in charge: Mrs Walton

COURSE OUTLINE

This course is a progression from Level 2 Drama. The Level 3 course is an exciting and challenging course which will assist you in further developing your skills of collaboration, creativity, innovation and interpretation.

The course provides an opportunity to use and explore the elements, conventions, techniques and technologies in specific dramatic forms, both practically and in written analysis.

You have the opportunity in the course to become directors, designers, playwrights and producers of your own work and that of other students. You will rehearse and perform works in a range of dramatic forms, as well as respond to the work of others. Class work is a mixture of group and individual tasks, and it is important for you to work co-operatively in a group, as well as independently. At Level 3 the content and contexts for exploration and performance are more challenging, enabling you to develop your thinking and response to the work in practical performance. Leadership and collaboration opportunities increase as you are able to mentor younger students, particularly in co-curricular activities. Skills acquired in the course translate well to a number of fields and prepare students to confidently present themselves as creative and innovative thinkers and learners. Please be aware that most achievement standards will be assessed during public evening performances, and audiences are welcome to view these performances. You will be expected to attend at least two professional live theatre productions during the year. For those students who are interested in studying Drama, this knowledge and experience underpins many of

the skills essential in a number of careers such as psychologist, courtroom lawyer, doctor, engineer and positions in the arts and media, radio and television, journalism, advertising and print media. Level 3 Drama develops skills which will assist you in your career aspirations. Students also have the

opportunity to be invited to study Scholarship.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES
		NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards			
AS91512	Drama 3.1	Interpret scripted text to integrate drama techniques in performance	Internal	4	R
AS91513	Drama 3.2	Devise and perform a drama to realise a concept	Internal	5	
AS91515	Drama 3.4	Select and use complex performance skills associate with a drama form or period	Internal	4	R
AS91516	Drama 3.5	Demonstrate understanding of the work of a drama or theatre theorist or practitioner	Internal	4	R
AS91517	Drama 3.6	Perform a substantial acting role in a significant production	Internal	5	R
AS91519	Drama 3.8	Script a drama suitable for live performance	Internal	5	W
AS91520	Drama 3.9	Direct a drama performance	Internal	5	R
		NCEA External Achievement Standards			
AS91514	Drama 3.3	Interpret a prescribed text to demonstrate knowledge of a theatre form or period	External	4	R/W
AS91518	Drama 3.7	Demonstrate understanding of live performance	External	4	W
		Possible Credits Available	Max—24 Cred		dits

MUSIC PRACTICAL (3MUP)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 10 credits in NCEA Level 2 Music or at the

discretion of HOLA. The ability to read music and play an instrument is **essential** for those

who intend to do NCEA Level 3 Practical Music

Fieldwork: Attendance at concerts which relate and

support the student's focus of study. Possible attendance at composition workshop

(optional)

Course Contributions: Accompanist for solo performances \$100

(approximate and optional)

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Music and Performing Arts

Courses

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Treneman HOLA in charge: Ms Treneman

COURSE OUTLINE

This course builds on the experiences of Level 2 Music and will prepare students for study at tertiary level. The course focuses on the composition and performance of music. While composing and performing, students are actively listening and developing aural sensitivity. The students will be given the opportunity to present performances as both a featured soloist and as a member of a group, and compose a variety of pieces of music which demonstrate a range of technical and creative skills. This course will suit the student who enjoys performing and composing music. Students must play an instrument and should be learning either through the Itinerant music scheme or privately. Please be aware that the performance Achievement Standards will be assessed during evening concerts open to the school community.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES				
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards								
AS91416	Music 3.1	Perform two programmes of music as a featured soloist	Internal	8					
AS91417	Music 3.2	Perform a programme of music as a featured soloist on a second instrument	Internal	4					
AS91418	Music 3.3	Demonstrate ensemble skills by performing two substantial pieces as a member of a group	Internal	4					
AS91419	Music 3.4	Communicate musical intention by composing three original pieces of music	Internal	8					
AS91424	Music 3.9	Create two arrangements for an ensemble	Internal	4					
AS91849	Music 3.11	Compose three original songs that express imaginative thinking	Internal	8					
		NCEA External Achievement Standards							
AS91420	Music 3.5	Integrate aural skills into written representation	External	4					
		Possible Credits Available	20-	24 Credi	.ts				

MUSIC STUDIES (3MUS)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 10 credits in NCEA Level 2 Music or at the

discretion of HOLA. The ability to read music is essential is those who intend to do

NCEA Level 3 Music Studies

Fieldwork: Attendance at concerts which relate to and

support the student's focus of study

(optional)

Course Contributions: Performances \$30 (approx. and optional)

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study in Music and Performing

Arts Courses

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Treneman

HOLA in charge: Ms Treneman

COURSE OUTLINE

Level 3 Music Studies builds on the experiences in Level 2 Music and prepares students for entry into tertiary courses. Students will have the opportunity to develop their literacy in music. This involves the development of knowledge and skills relating to styles, genres, technologies, and musical structures. The course focuses on the analysis of music, understanding the way a composition is structured and understanding the background or context of musical works. It also gives students the opportunity to research an area or topic of music of their own choosing.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES					
	NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards									
AS91422	Music 3.7	Analyse a substantial music work	Internal	4						
AS91424	Music 3.9	Create two arrangements for an ensemble	Internal	4						
AS91425	Music 3.10	Research a music topic	Internal	6	R					
		NCEA External Achievement Standards								
AS91421	Music 3.6	Demonstrate an understanding of harmonic and tonal conventions in a range of music scores	External	4						
AS91423	Music 3.8	Examine the influence of context on a substantial music work	External	4	R/W					
		Possible Credits Available	2	2 Credits						

PHOTOGRAPHY (3PHO)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 3

Course Prerequisites: 12 credits in Level 2 Photography

or very successful Level 2 Visual Art/Design or application and acceptance by HOLA/

TIC

Fieldwork: tbc

Course Contributions: \$50

Course Leads to: Tertiary Study

Approved Subject? This is an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College

Teacher in charge: Ms Clapperton

HOLA in charge: Ms Clapperton

COURSE OUTLINE

In Level 3 Photography students will continue studying Digital Photography and its many uses in today and tomorrow's technological world. Level 3 Photography builds on the Level 2 Photography work but requires a greater depth of analysis and justification of photographic methods. Presentation is also expected to be of a much higher standard. Using Photoshop, understanding file systems, setting up a studio with lights, planning, taking and creating digitised images are some of the practical skills that will be enhanced during this course. There is no external examination, students will complete 2 projects throughout the year contributing to the required Standards. Students MUST have their own good quality digital camera (at least 10MP with manual features; Aperture and Shutter Speed).

Students must be able to use a computer confidently. Students will use the school computers but may choose to use their own high functioning laptop during class to work on. Students will be provided with an Adobe license for them to install on their laptop or home computer. Information regarding this will be given to students at the beginning of the course.

Note: this is an artistic subject. Students must be creative and must be ICT literate and be very confident with using a computer.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

- Students who did not take Level 2 Photography will need to submit a portfolio application to be considered for this course.
 Applications can be obtained from Miss Clapperton (HOD of Art).
- Students can only take a maximum of two subjects from Visual Art: Painting (3ART), Photography (3PHO) or Design (3DES) at Year 13, and are warned against taking 2 Art subjects and another 3rd large internal subject.



STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES					
NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards										
AS91447 or AS91484	Photography 3.2	Use drawing to demonstrate understanding of conventions appropriate to photography	Internal	1						
	Photography 3.3	Systematically clarify ideas using drawing informed by established photography practice		7						
NCEA External Achievement Standards										
AS91457	Photography 3.4	Produce a systematic body of work that integrates conventions and regenerates ideas within photography practice	External	14						
Possible Credits Available					5					

FUTURE PATHWAYS (23FPW)

COURSE INFORMATION

Qualification and level: NCEA Level 2 (some credits may be Level 3)

Course Prerequisites: Interviews are mandatory for all students wanting to take

this course. This will be followed up with a **compulsory**

 $\textbf{information evening in Term 4} \ with \ \textbf{all students and their}$

parents/caregivers to confirm places for 2026.

Fieldwork: A work experience placement through the GATEWAY

programme or a **short course** through **STAR** will be undertaken by the student and contribute to the credits for this course. Work experience (unpaid) or short courses may be one day a week during term time or 5-10

days during the holidays.

Course Contributions: N/A

Course Leads to: Employment, apprenticeship, or industry training at

tertiary level.

Approved Subject? This does NOT count as an approved subject for University

Entry

Course Provider: Botany Downs Secondary College and other Tertiary and

Industry Training Organisations

Teacher of Future

Pathways: Ms Williams

Head of Career

Pathways: Mrs Muir

COURSE OUTLINE

The Future Pathways course is a **vocational** programme designed to give students the opportunity to explore career options and produce a plan for their own future directions.

Students could have the opportunity to experience a **workplace or short course** related to their career choice one day a week. This is usually in Term two or three for 5-10 weeks or during the July school holidays. This is through the **GATEWAY or STAR** programme. During this experience students will complete unit standards related to their chosen pathway. This experience means that students can explore a career, understand what the job involves and clarify their next steps.

Work placements and courses will vary depending on student interests and the availability of places. There are opportunities in a range of fields including, but not limited to: Retail, Hospitality, Fashion, Hair and Beauty, Marine, Automotive, Electrical, Health and Child Care.

Assessment for this course contains Level 2 (and possibly some Level 3) credits as students explore their career options. Students must be prepared to attempt ALL standards. They should also be working towards gaining their drivers license during this course.

<u>Please note:</u> This subject is NOT a university approved subject. If you intend on going to university, please select university approved subjects.

STANDARDS

Number	Subject Ref	Title	Int/Ext	Credits	CODES				
NCEA Internal Achievement Standards/Unit Standards									
US12383	Level 2	Explore career options and their implications	Internal	3					
US10781	Level 2	Produce a plan for own future directions	Internal	3					
US4252	Level 2	Produce a personal targeted C.V.	Internal	2					
		Additional individual level 2/3 standards relevant to the student's chosen pathway.							
		Possible Credits Available	8 L2 cred	l dits + ad	ditional				