



PAPATOETOE
HIGH SCHOOL

2026

STUDENT GUIDE TO CHOOSING OPTIONS

All you ever
needed to know to
make the right
choices for next
year's courses!

for
Years 12-13

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Introduction:

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Welcome to your guide for the 2026 option selection.

I hope that you will read this information carefully, discuss it at home and with your teachers.

You will have until the end of week 2, term 3 to complete your options selections.

The subjects you choose now need to be right for you. They need to help you follow **the pathways** you are most interested in and give you the best chance to stay on **the track** you have chosen.

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Deputy Principal i/c Curriculum

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Year 12

All subjects are optional at this stage.

Level 2 and 3 courses in Year 12:

You can take level 3 courses if this is approved by the Head of Learning for your subject.

Level 2 NCEA:

Level Two NCEA is gained once you have collected **60 or more credits at Level 2 or above and NCEA literacy & numeracy.**

You can achieve Level Two NCEA with a **certificate endorsement** (at least 50 credits at merit or excellence) or a number of **course endorsements** (at least 14 credits, including 3 external credits, at achieved, merit or excellence). Physical Education courses do not require the external component to receive endorsement.

For limited entry university programmes (e.g. calculating a grade point average), **endorsements are more important than the number of credits in total.**

Literacy and Numeracy:

By the end of Year 12 it is usual for a student to have gained at least **Level One Literacy and Level One Numeracy** (10 credits each) AND (if aiming for university courses Tracks C-F) **UE Literacy** (10 credits Level 2 English).

UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE PREPARATION

UE Approved subjects:

If you are thinking about studying at degree level after school, you need to make sure to choose least **THREE UE approved subjects for Level 2 and 3.** You will need to make sure you have subjects to gain **UE literacy** (see the link below). English is strongly recommended for anyone wanting to complete degree level study. See below for the subjects we do at PHS.

In the option descriptions you are also reminded which subjects are UE approved.

Subjects at Level Two which lead to UE Approved Level Three subjects

Accounting	Commerce	English	Music
Art - Design	Dance	French	PE Academic
Art - Painting	Digital Media	Geography	Physics
Art – Photography Art - Printmaking	Digital Programming	Health	Gagana Samoan
Biology	Digital Web Design	History	Social Studies
Business Studies	Drama	Japanese	Te Reo Maori
Chemistry	Economics	Mathematics	Technology
Classics	Earth & Space Science	Media Studies	Lea Faka-Tonga

UE Literacy Requirements:

You must achieve 5 UE writing credits and 5 UE reading credits. To gain these, **taking English at Level 2 is strongly recommended.** However, literacy credits are also available from selected Level 2 and Level 3 achievement standards. Please visit this link to see a list of these standards: <https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/understanding-secondary-quals/university-entrance/literacy-for-ue/>

Year 13

All subjects are optional at this stage.

At Level 3 it is challenging to pick up a subject you haven't studied before. If you are thinking of doing that, please make sure you discuss your plans with subject teachers and your form teacher and get permission.

Level 2 and 3 courses in Year 13:

You can finish Level 2 NCEA by completing Level 3 NCEA. The credits go towards both. So, if you haven't already finished Level 2, you can choose whether you do level 2 or 3 courses.

Level 3 NCEA:

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For limited entry university programmes (e.g. calculating a grade point average), **endorsements are more important than the number of credits in total.**

University Approved Subjects:

If you are thinking about going to a degree level course after Year 13, you need to make sure to choose at least

THREE UE approved subjects for Level 3 and gain at least 14 credits in each one.

See below the list of UE approved subjects we do at PHS.

Accounting	Commerce	English	Music
Art - Design	Dance	French	PE Academic
Art - Painting	Digital Media	Geography	Physics
Art – Photography Art – Printmaking	Digital Programming	Health	Gagana Samoan
Biology		History	Social Studies
Business Studies	Drama	Japanese	Te Reo Maori
Chemistry	Economics	Mathematics	Technology
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PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP ME:

All tertiary entry requirements	Mrs Parshotam
Accounting	Mr Ladkoo/Mr van der Klift
Biology	Mr M Kumar
Business Studies	Mr Chapman/Mr van der Klift
Chemistry	Mrs Raju
Classical Studies	Ms Kerr / Mr Maged / Mrs Kapoor
Commerce	Mr Ladkoo/Mr van der Klift
Design - Art	Mrs Maifeleni
Digital Technologies	Mrs Lal
Drama/Dance	Mrs Strevens/Mrs O'Neill
Economics	Ms Vo/Mr van der Klift
ELL / EAP / EAM / ENS	Ms Kalauni
Engineering / Building / Hospitality	Mr Zaia
English	Ms Yuretich
Geography	Mr Maged / Mr Parker / Mr Neal / Mrs Maharaj
Health	Mrs Jones- Fonokalafi
History	Mr Mariner / Ms Ly / Ms Kerr / Mr A Shaker
Japanese	Ms Bhana
Legal Studies	Mr Mariner / Mr Maged
Mathematics	Mr Santos / Mrs Rae
Media Studies	
Music	Mrs O'Neill
Art - Painting	Mrs Maifeleni
Pathway Skills	Mr Maged
PE Academic / Sports Studies	Miss Cobbald
Photography - Art	Mrs Maifeleni
Physics	Mr Renouf
Printmaking - Art	Mrs Maifeleni
Samoan	Ms Bhana / Mr Morisa
Science	Mr Weldschidt
Social Studies	Mr Bosnyak / Mr Maged / Mrs Kapoor / Mr A Shaker
Statistics	Mr Poe-Tofaeono
Te Reo Maori	Mr Waru/ Ms Bhana
Technology	Mrs Lata
Travel & Tourism	Mr Neal/Mr Parker/Mr Francis/Mr Maged / Mrs Maharaj
Creative Studies - Art	Mrs Maifeleni
Visual Arts	Mrs Maifeleni

Year 12 and 13: Having read the above pages, try to answer the following questions as honestly as you can. They will help you with your course selection for the next year.

1. Have a look again at the Pathways.

For a coherent course, you need to choose options that follow one or two pathways.

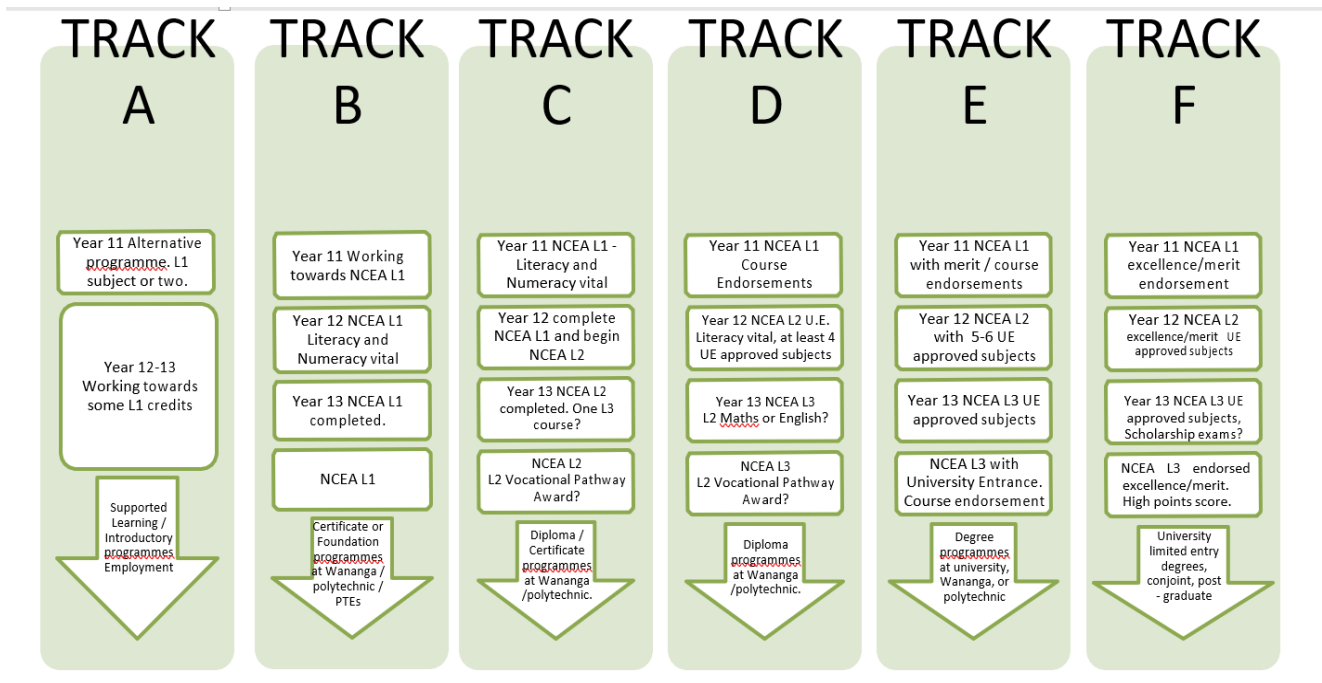
2. Think hard about your results so far. Here are some questions to consider.

- Do you have Level 1 or 2 with NCEA or course endorsements? Merit and excellence?
- Are you someone who found Level 1 NCEA quite easy but this year is a lot harder?
- Are you on track to do well in some subjects but you are struggling with others?
- Do you have NCEA Literacy and NCEA Numeracy?
- If in Year 12 are you likely to gain UE Literacy (if you need it) this year?

- Are you happy with your choice of subjects this year? If not, which ones would you change and why?
- Do you have a tertiary programme and/or a career in mind?
- Do you have a preference of a university or polytechnic you would like to attend?

Making some decisions

Getting on the right track



Look at the tracks above carefully, discuss with your whānau and teachers which ones suit your ideas and dreams, then think about the following questions.

What are the tracks that I will aim for?

Why will these suit me?

Activity Two

Read the descriptions of pathways on the next page carefully, especially looking at the subjects they link to.

What are the most interesting pathways to me? And why?

Activity Three

Now look at the 9 Learning Area flow charts on pages 5-9. They show you all the subjects we offer at school.

What are the learning areas which I enjoy most?

PATHWAYS EXPLAINED

1. MANUFACTURING AND TECHNOLOGY

– using tools, machines, processes and people to convert materials into products, e.g. fabrication, quality control, logistics, food manufacture, packaging

DVC (Design & Visual Communication), Technology, Digital Technology, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering, Science, Textile Technology

2. CONSTRUCTION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

– building, planning, designing, repairing services above the ground (roads, bridges, electricity supply) or below the ground (drainage, broadband)

Building Construction, DVC (Design & Visual Communication), Technology, Digital Technology, English, Geography, Mathematics, Science, Textiles

3. PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

– providing or using raw materials or plant/animal products e.g. mining, forestry, agriculture, horticulture, landscaping, seafood industry, animal care, equine work

Business Studies, Technology, Digital Technology, English, Geography, Mathematics, Science. Social Studies, Te Reo Maori

4. SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

– emergency services, defence, education, healthcare and medicine, public sector, border protection, security, social work, corrections officer, health

Digital Technology, Early Childhood, English, Languages, Mathematics, Physical Education, Science, Social Studies, Te Reo Maori, Health, History

5. SERVICES INDUSTRIES

– media, news, entertainment, fashion, hospitality, finance, retail, hair and beauty, sport and fitness, theatre and film, travel and tourism, museums and galleries

Accounting, Business Studies, Digital Technology, Drama, Economics, English, Geography, History, Home Economics, Hospitality, Languages, Mathematics, Media Studies, Physical Education, Social Studies, Te Reo Maori, Visual Arts, Health

6. CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

– music industries, Maori & Pasifika media, radio & tv, advertising, drama, design, performing arts, photography, software, toys & games, visual arts, digital technology

Visual Art, Classical Studies, Drama, English, Te Reo Maori and Kapa Haka, Media Studies, Music, Technology, Textiles, History, Languages

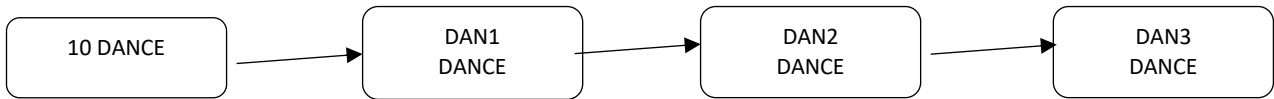
Remember – using the information about pathways will help you plan a course that is coherent (fits together) and meaningful (leads to a qualification and/or a career)

LEARNING AREAS AT OUR SCHOOL

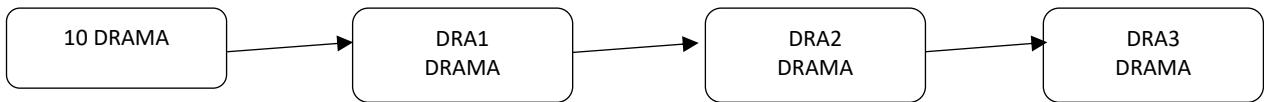
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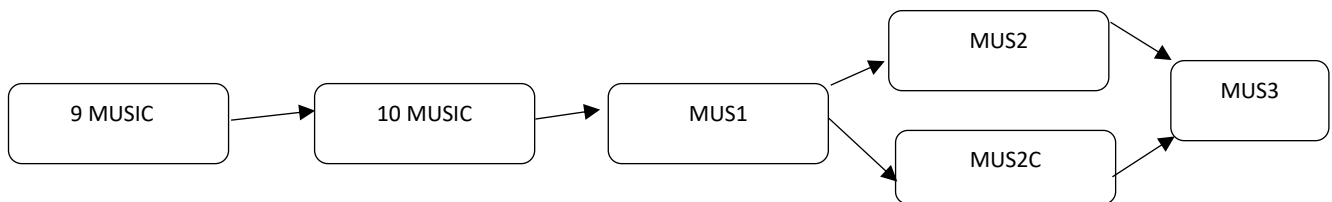
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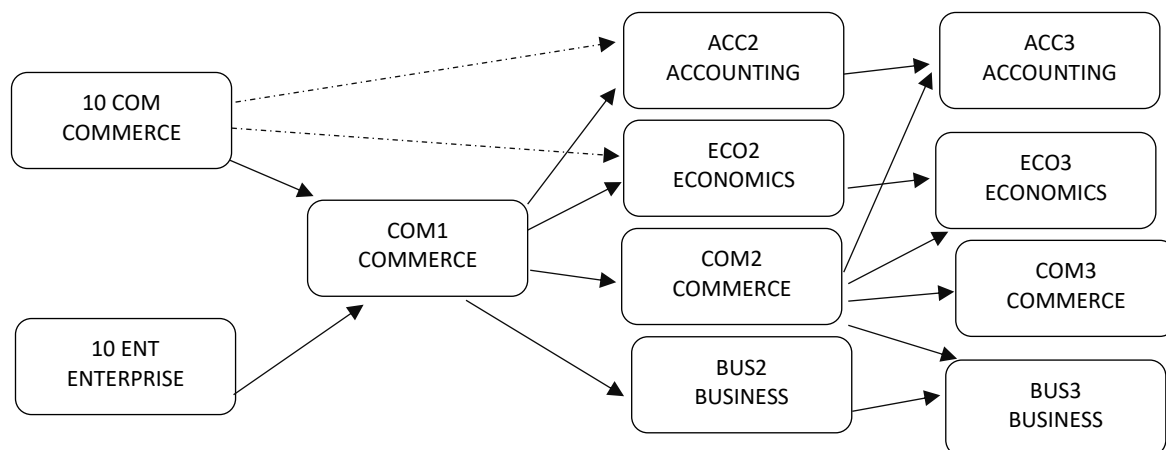
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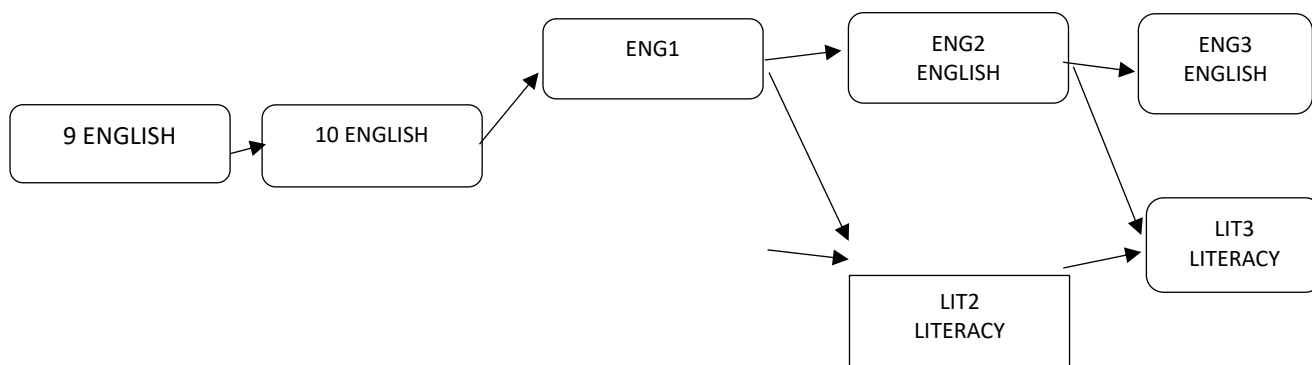
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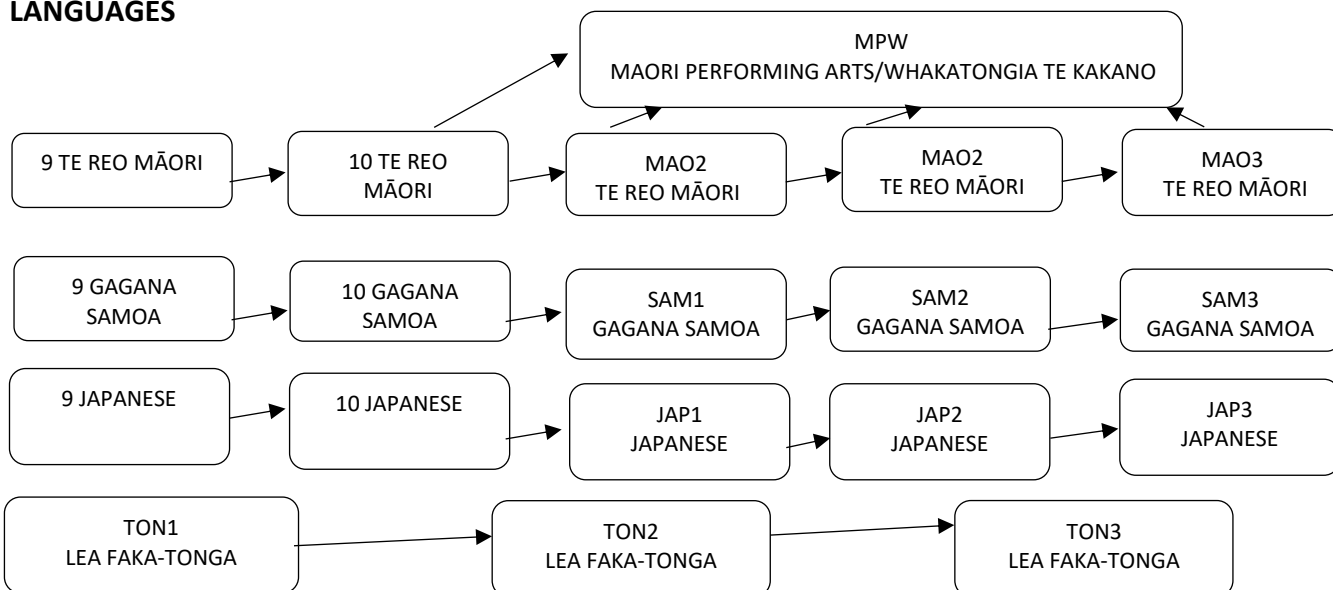
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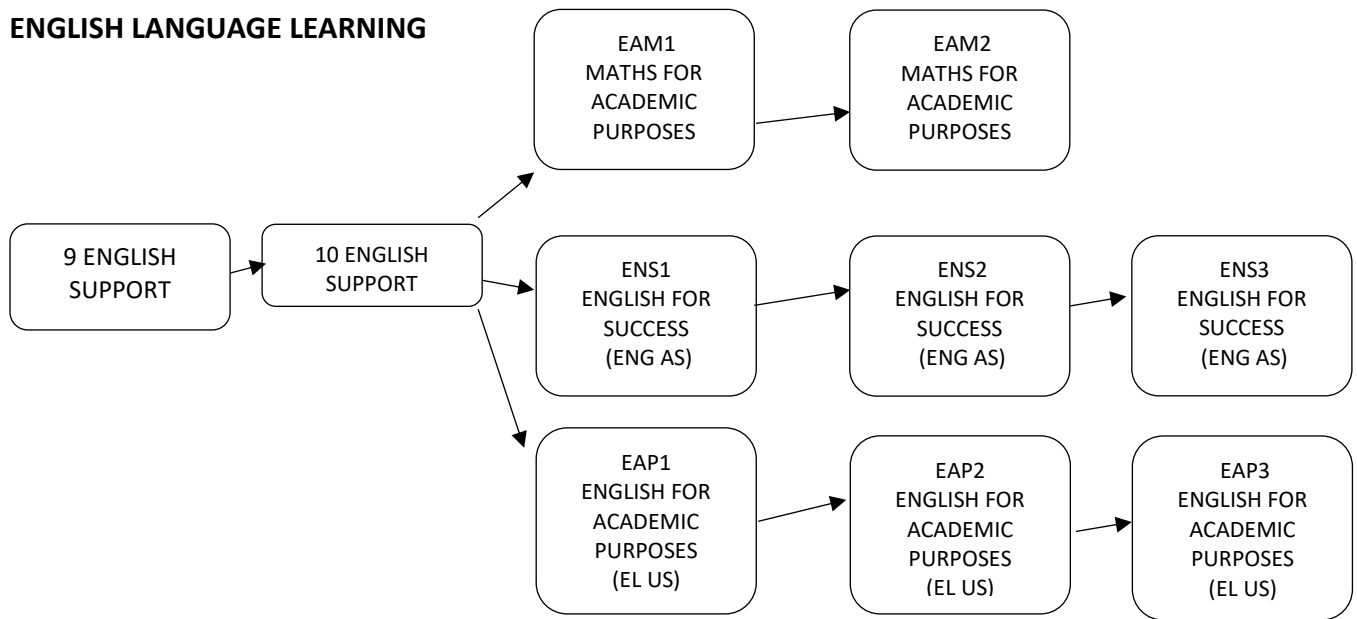
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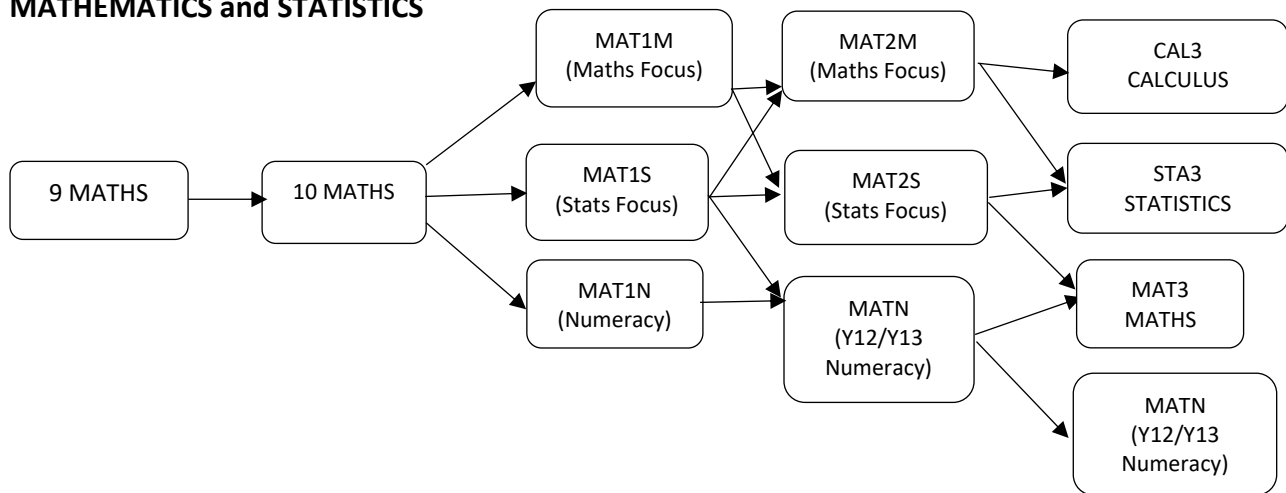


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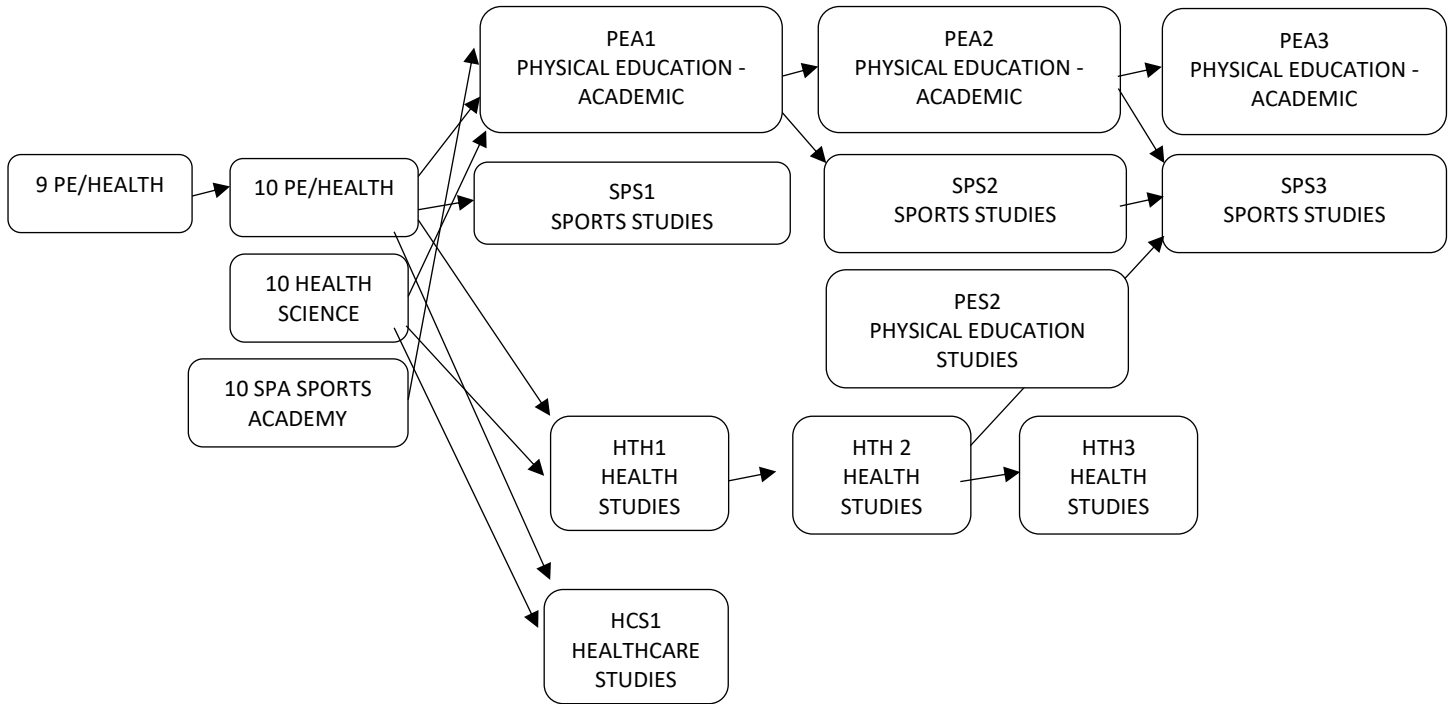


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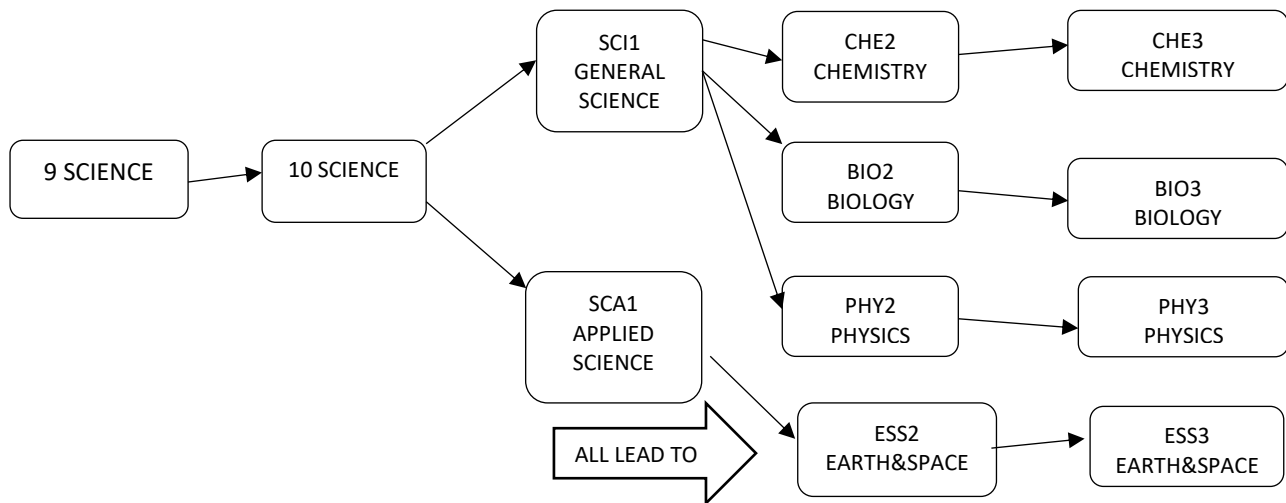
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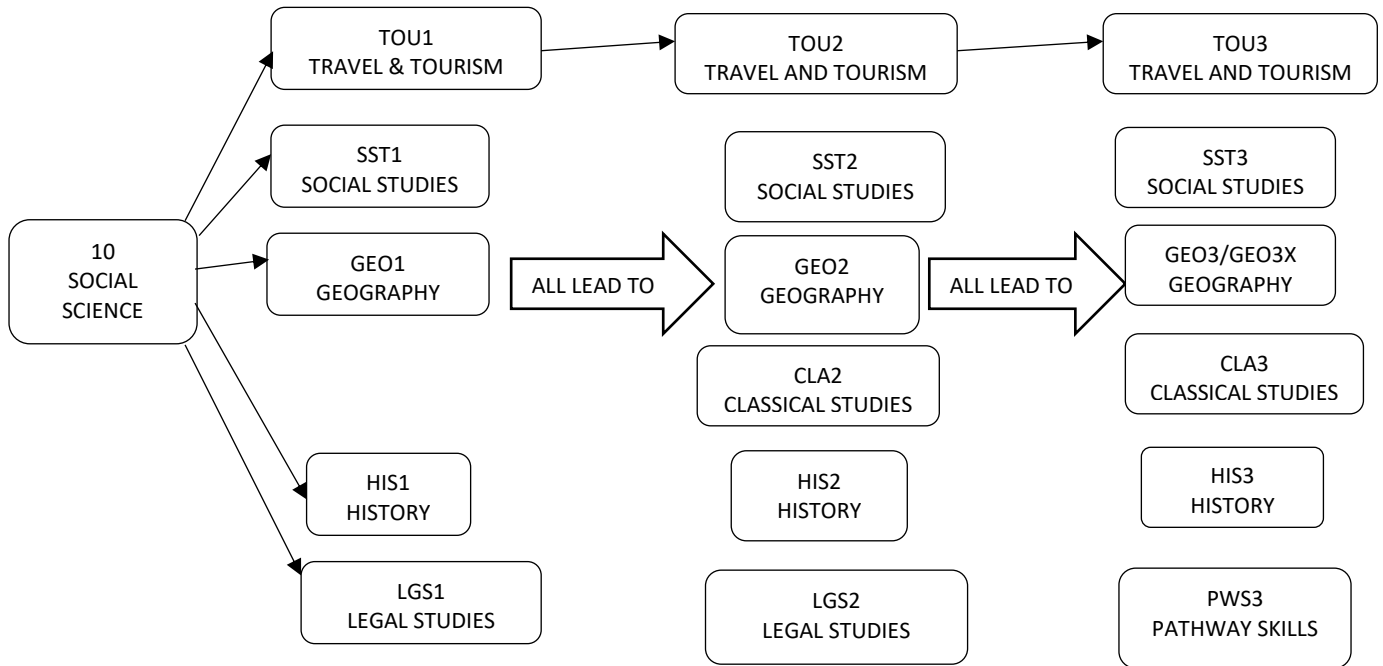
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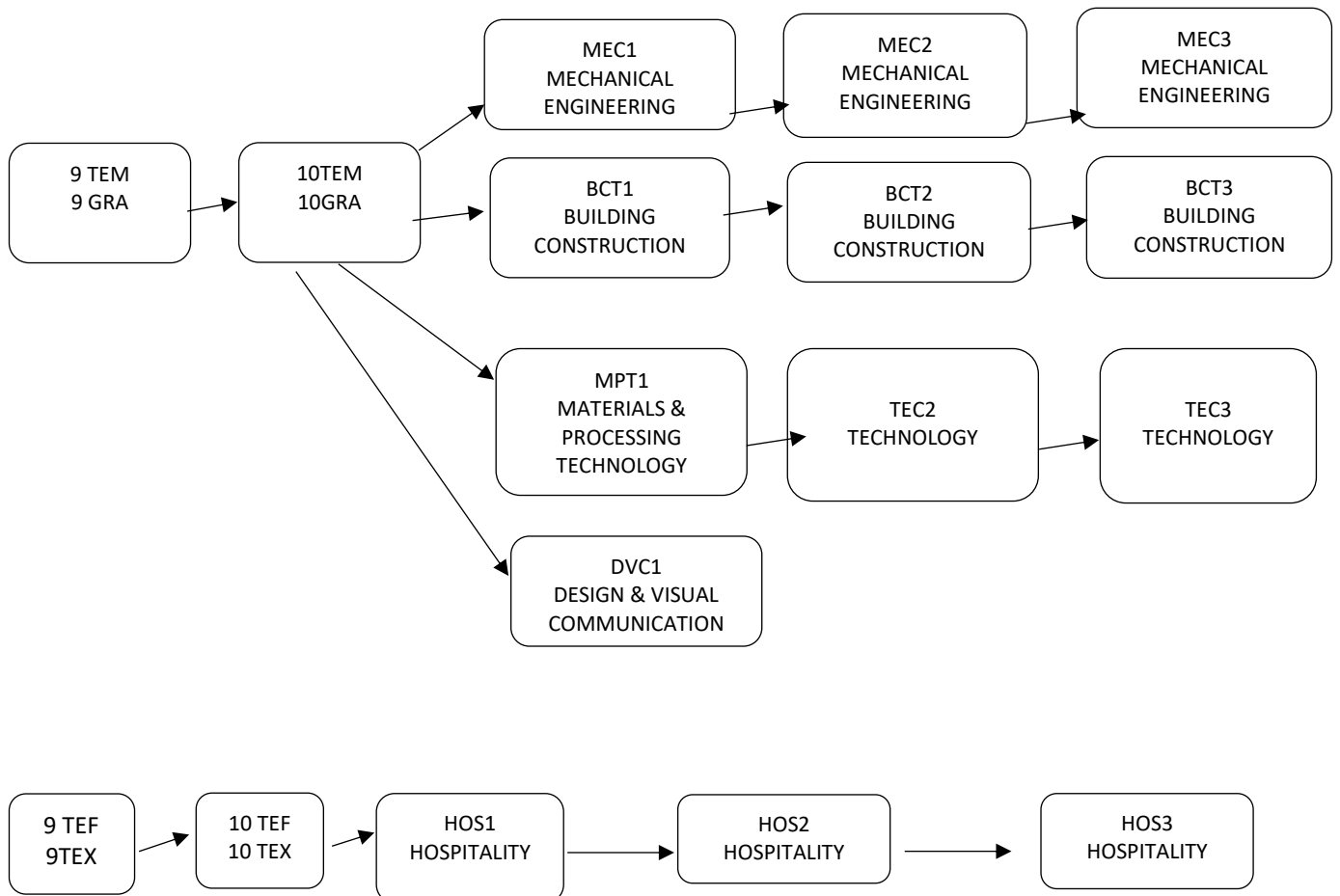
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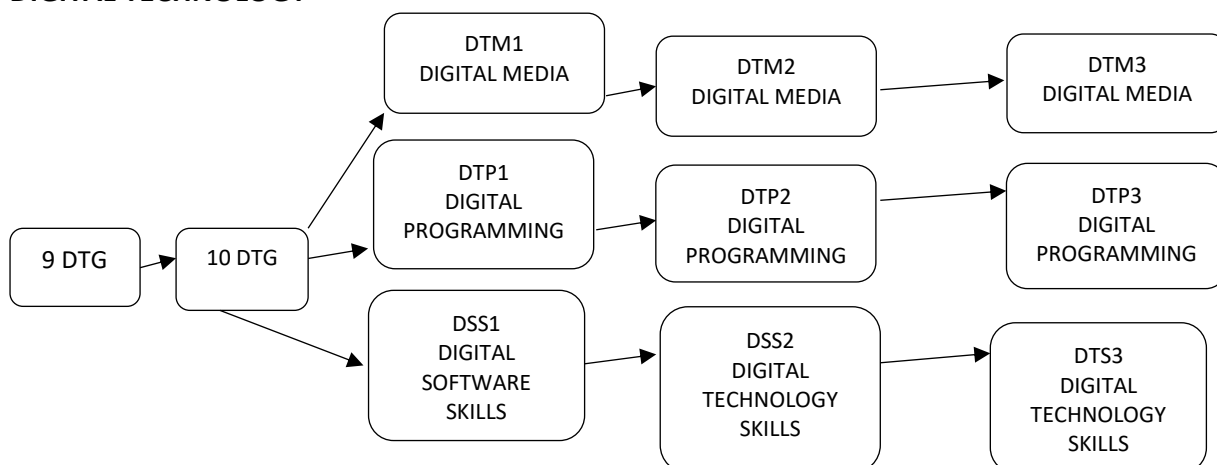
SOCIAL SCIENCE



TECHNOLOGY



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY



Level Two and Three Options –the following are all the options available at Level 2 and Level 3 to senior students. Please read through carefully and highlight the subjects you are interested in.

ART:

ART – CREATIVE STUDIES	ACS2	1 CREDITS: 16 Internal 0 External Literacy 0
Learning: This open entry course is for those students who want to make Art that is both functional and aesthetically beautiful. In this hands on course, you will get to make a range of different sculptural items, such as pottery, jewellery and screen printed clothing. This is a cross-curricular course that has a variety of assessment standards from Visual Arts, Technology and Languages.		

ART – CREATIVE STUDIES	ACS3	17 CREDITS: 16 Internal 0 External Literacy 0
Learning: This open entry course is for those students who want to make Art that is both functional and aesthetically beautiful. In this hands-on course, you will get to make a range of different sculptural items, such as pottery, jewellery and screen printed clothing. You will be introduced to customary and contemporary adornment, weaving and carving. This is a cross-curricular course that has a variety of assessment standards from Visual Arts, Technology and Languages.		

ART - DESIGN	DES2	NCEA Level: 2
20 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 12	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
Learning: If you want to take your design and Photoshop skills to the next level this course is for you. In ARD2 you will be able to choose your own topic of study for the year based on your interests, your ideas and your choice of design style. This course will help prepare you for tertiary courses in graphic design, animation and similar design-related career paths. To succeed in this course, you should have at least 12 credits from any Level 1 Art subject.		

ART - DESIGN	DES3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
22 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 14	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
Learning: Interested in a career in graphic design, animation, interior design or any of the many other design-related areas? Wanting to build on previous success? Or perhaps just looking for a subject that will give you a chance to develop the creative thinking that is so important in today's world? In ARD3 you choose your main idea as a basis for creating exciting and vibrant visual images that demonstrate the ability to find the most effective solutions to problems you set for yourself. To succeed in this course, all you need is an Achieved grade or higher for the external folio in any Level 2 Art subject, or a successful year in DVC or DTP and a good attitude.		

ART - PAINTING	PTG2	NCEA Level: 2
20 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 12	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
Learning: If you want to learn new techniques in paint and a mix of other media this course is for you. You will learn from famous artists, build on your creative thinking, experiment with different art processes and make your own original work. You get to choose what you will make your artwork about and how to express your ideas in a wide variety of ways. This course will consist of 3 Level 2 Achievement Standards. To succeed in this course, you should have at least 12 credits from any Level 1 Art subject.		

ART - PAINTING	PTG3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
22 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 14	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: If you want to take your art skills and creative thinking to the next level this course is for you. Extend your painting skills through studying art masters. Go on trips to art galleries in the city and learn more about the art world. You will create a lot of art works across the year, developing your own ideas and critical thinking skills. This course will prepare you for any creative or artistic career path including Architecture, Interior Design, Visual Art/Fine Art, Graphic Design, Illustration, Fashion, Product design, Curating, Education etc. It will also help you with the creative and critical thinking skills you will use in any other career field. To succeed in this course, all you need is an Achieved grade or higher for the external folio in any Level 2 Art subject.</p>		

ART - PRINTMAKING	PRI2	NCEA Level: 2
20 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 12	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: If you want to learn new printmaking techniques. You will learn from famous artists, build on your creative thinking, experiment with different art processes and make your own original work. You get to choose what you will make your artwork about and how to express your ideas in a wide variety of ways. This course will consist of 3 Level 2 Achievement Standards. To succeed in this course, you should have at least 12 credits from any Level 1 Art subject.</p>		

ART - PRINTMAKING	PRI3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
22 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 14	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: If you want to learn woodblock, soft block, etching, and other printmaking skills this is the course for you. You will learn from famous artists, build on your creative thinking, experiment with different art processes and make your own original work. You get to choose what you will make your artwork about and how to express your ideas in a wide variety of ways. This course will consist of 3 Level 3 Achievement Standards. To succeed in this course, you should have at least 12 credits from any Level 2 Art subject.</p>		

ART - PHOTOGRAPHY	PHO2	NCEA Level: 2
20 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 12	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: This course is aimed at students that have a keen interest in using digital photography to create artwork based around a specific theme. Students will learn to use DSLR camera & edit their images using the Adobe Suite. There is also the opportunity to use film cameras; develop black & white film and experiment with darkroom techniques and printing. This course will prepare you for many creative or artistic career paths including Journalism, Fashion, Fine Arts, Freelance Photography, Film Industry, Education etc. To succeed in this course, you need to have at least 12 credits from any Level 1 Art subject. You do not need your own camera.</p>		

ART - PHOTOGRAPHY	PHO3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
22 AS credits	Internal: 8 External: 14	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: If you want to take your art photography skills and creative thinking to the next level, this course is for you. Digital photographic processes will be used to create artwork based around a specific theme. You will learn to use a DSLR camera and edit images using the Adobe Suite. There is also the opportunity to use film cameras and darkroom processes. This course will prepare you for many creative or artistic career paths including Fine Arts, Freelance Photography, Film Industry, Journalism, Fashion, Education etc. To succeed in this course, you need to have gained an Achieved grade or higher for the external folio in any Level 2 Art subject.</p>		

PERFORMING ARTS:

DANCE	DAN2	NCEA Level: 2
AS Credits: 16-22	Internal: 12-18 External: 4 - 8	UE Reading: 4 UE Writing: 0
<p> Why Take NCEA Level 2 Dance? Ready to take your dance skills to the next level? Level 2 Dance is your chance to grow as a performer and choreographer while earning NCEA credits doing something you love.</p> <p>In this course, you'll: Learn and perform more advanced dance techniques and styles. Create original choreography and explore your creative voice. Study dance from Aotearoa and around the world, including Māori and Pasifika traditions. Reflect on your performances and analyse dance works with depth and insight. Build confidence, discipline, and collaboration skills.</p> <p>Whether you're aiming for a future in the arts or just want to express yourself through movement, Level 2 Dance is a powerful and rewarding choice.</p> <p>Move with purpose – choose Level 2 Dance!</p>		

DANCE	DAN3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
AS Credits: 16-38	Internal: 12-30 External: 8 (optional)	UE Reading: up to 8

		UE Writing: 0
<p>🎭 Why Take NCEA Level 3 Dance? 🎭 Ready to push your creativity, technique, and performance to a professional level? Level 3 Dance is your opportunity to refine your skills, express powerful ideas through movement, and earn University Entrance-approved NCEA credits.</p> <p>In this course, you'll: 🎧 Perform advanced choreography with precision and expression. ✨ Create original dance works that reflect your unique voice and vision. 🌍 Explore global and local dance forms, including Māori and Pasifika traditions. 🎭 Analyse and interpret dance works with depth and insight. 🤝 Lead, collaborate, and reflect as an independent artist</p> <p>Whether you're preparing for tertiary study, a career in the arts, or simply want to finish your school dance journey on a high, Level 3 Dance is a challenging and rewarding course that celebrates your growth and passion.</p> <p>Dance with purpose. Lead with creativity. Choose Level 3 Dance!</p>		

DRAMA	DRA2	NCEA Level: 2
AS Credits: 17-22	Internal: 13-18 External: 4	UE Reading: up to 18 UE Writing: 4
<p>🎭 Why Take NCEA Level 2 Drama? 🎭 Ready to take your performance skills to the next level? Level 2 Drama deepens your understanding of theatre, sharpens your acting abilities, and challenges you to think creatively and critically – all while earning valuable NCEA credits. In this course, you'll: 🎭 Perform in more complex scripted and devised works. 🌍 Explore theatre forms and styles from Aotearoa and around the world. 🤝 Develop your own ideas through devising and script work. 🗣️ Strengthen your voice, movement, and stage presence. 🤝 Collaborate with others and reflect on your creative process.</p> <p>Drama builds confidence, empathy, and communication – skills that are valuable in any career, from the arts to leadership roles.</p> <p>Guideline for success: 10+ Credits in L1 Drama or with HoLA approval - you must be willing to perform.</p> <p>Challenge yourself, express your voice – choose Level 2 Drama! #PHSdrama</p>		

DRAMA	DRA3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
AS Credits: 18-22	Internal: 14-18 External: 4	UE Reading: up to 22 UE Writing: 0
<p>🎭 Why Take NCEA Level 3 Drama? 🎭 Ready to refine your craft and take your performance skills to a professional level? Level 3 Drama is an exciting, challenging course that pushes your creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration to new heights – all while earning University Entrance-approved NCEA credits. In this course, you'll: 🎭 Perform complex roles in scripted and devised theatre. 🤝 Create original work and explore advanced drama techniques. 🌍 Engage with diverse theatre forms, including Aotearoa New Zealand, Māori, and Pasifika performance tradition. 🗣️ Analyse and reflect on performance, context, and meaning. 🤝 Lead and collaborate in creative projects with independence and confidence. Whether you're heading into the arts, education, communication, or leadership, Drama equips you with powerful skills in expression, empathy, and innovation.</p> <p>Guideline for success: 10+ Credits in L2 Drama or with HoLA approval - you must be willing to perform.</p> <p>Own the stage – choose Level 3 Drama #DramaticArts #PHSdrama</p>		

MUSIC:

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC	MUS2C	NCEA Level: 2
AS 18-32: US 3-6 credits	Internal: 18-28 External: 4-11(opt)	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
<p>🎧 Why Take NCEA Level 2 Music (Contemporary Focus)? 🎧 Are you passionate about making music that reflects today's sound? Whether you're into pop, rock, hip hop, R&B, indie, or electronic, Level 2 Music with a contemporary focus gives you the tools to grow as a modern musician while earning NCEA credits. In this course, you'll: 🎧 Perform music you love – solo and in bands or groups. 🎧 Write and produce your own songs using current styles and tools. 🎧 Use music tech like DAWs (e.g. GarageBand, Logic, Bandlab) to record and mix tracks. 🎧 Develop your ear and understanding of how contemporary music works. 🌍 Explore music from Aotearoa and beyond, including Māori and Pasifika artists. Whether you're a singer, guitarist, beatmaker, or producer, this course is about creativity, collaboration, and real-world music-making.</p> <p>Make your sound heard – choose Level 2 Music (Contemporary Focus)! #PapatoetoeMusic</p>		

MUSIC	MUS2	NCEA Level: 2
24 – 32 AS credits	Internal: 20-24 external: 4	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
<p>🎧 Why Take NCEA Level 2 Music? 🎧 Love music and ready to take it further? Level 2 Music is your chance to grow as a performer, composer, and musical thinker while earning NCEA credits doing what you love. In this course, you'll: 🎧 Perform solo and in groups on your chosen instrument or voice. 🤝 Compose original music and explore your creative style. 🎧 Develop listening skills and analyse music from Aotearoa and around the world. 🎧 Use music technology to support your learning and creativity. 🌍 Explore a range of genres – from classical to contemporary, including Māori and Pasifika music. Whether you're aiming for a career in music or just want to keep developing your passion, Level 2 Music builds confidence, creativity, and real-world skills.</p> <p>Level up your sound – choose Level 2 Music! #PapatoetoeMusic</p>		

MUSIC	MUS3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
AS 16-42: US up to 8 credits	Internal: 18-28 External: 8 (opt)	UE Reading: 6 UE Writing: Nil

🎵 Why Take NCEA Level 3 Music? 🎵 Ready to take your music to the next level? **Level 3 Music** is your opportunity to refine your skills as a performer, composer, and musical thinker while earning University Entrance-approved NCEA credits. In this course, you'll: 🎸 Perform advanced solo and group pieces on your chosen instrument or voice. 🎧 Compose original music that reflects your unique style and influences. 🎧 Analyse and interpret music from Aotearoa and around the world, including Māori and Pasifika traditions. 🎧 Use music technology to support your creative and academic work. 🎓 Prepare for scholarship, tertiary study, or a future in the music industry. Whether you're into classical, jazz, rock, pop, or production, Level 3 Music supports your growth as a confident, creative, and expressive musician.

Own your sound – choose Level 3 Music! #PapatoetoeMusic

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY:

DIGITAL COMPUTING SKILLS	DTS2	NCEA Level: 2
Total credits: 22 credits	Internal: 22 credits External: 0 credits	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This course is designed for students who have keen interest in learning IT skills for the workplace. You will be introduced to different computing and networking skills and will have the opportunity to build your skills to design outcomes for workplace.		

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY SKILLS	DTS3	NCEA Level: 3
Total credits: 18 credits	Internal: 19 credits External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This course is designed for students who have keen interest in learning IT skills for the workplace. You will be introduced to different programmes and will have the opportunity to build your skills to design outcomes for the workplace. It is open to any senior student and designed for you to be able to achieve skills at L3.		

DIGITAL MEDIA	DTM2	NCEA Level: 2
Total credits: 20 credits	Internal: 16 credits External: 4 credits	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This is a creative course, but most assessments involve some writing. When you take this course it will introduce you to some of the adobe creative cloud suit. You will work through a design project and develop your own digital media outcomes. You will be provided with interactive resources that allow you to access your work from anywhere. You will be provided with access to specialist software.		

DIGITAL PROGRAMMING	DTP2	NCEA Level: 2
Total credits: 18 credits	Internal: 15 credits External: 3 credits	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This is a practical course, but all assessments involve some writing. You will have the opportunity to design and code your own web pages and be shown a number of different programs for web designs. You will be given opportunities to design and create different page layouts and learn about css style sheets and HTML tags. You will have the choice whether you complete an external assessment, or an extra internal assessment instead.		

DIGITAL MEDIA	DTM3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
Total credits: 18 credits	Internal: 14 credits External: 4 credits	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: 4
Learning: This is a creative course and follows on from DTM2. Students that have not completed DTM2 are welcome to take this course, but some prior knowledge of adobe packages is recommended. In this course we follow a project from planning, designing and making a digital media outcome for a client. The project is for the whole year and you are required to keep a portfolio of evidence for your assessment work. You will be exposed to applications such as Animate CC, Character Animator, Photoshop, Illustrator and more.		

DIGITAL PROGRAMMING	DTP3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
Total credits: 19 credits	Internal: 16 credits External: 3 credits	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This is a practical course, but all assessments involve some writing. This course builds on DTP2. You will have the opportunity to learn how to code your own GUI and develop your own computer program to show your skills. Through a prototyping assessment, you will be shown how to use classes and objects in programming and how to link these in to further develop your coding skills. Your external assessment is a report based on the work that you have completed in class.		

COMMERCE:

ACCOUNTING	ACC2	NCEA Level 2
20 AS credits	Internal:11 External: 9	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: this course is aimed at those students intending to go on to further study in the well-paid profession of Accounting or other commerce related studies. Fast track option available for Year 11 students It leads to: Level 3 Accounting. Guidelines for Success: Open Entry.		

ACCOUNTING	ACC3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
18 credits	Internal:13 External:5	UE Reading: 5 UE Writing: 5
Learning: This course is aimed at those students intending to go on to further study in the well-paid profession of Accounting or other commerce related studies. It leads to Tertiary Study in Commerce related courses. The course includes a trip to Wellington to visit key economic institutions such as the Reserve Bank and Parliament. Guidelines for Success: Satisfactory completion of Level 2 Accounting or with HOLA approval.		

BUSINESS STUDIES	BUS2	NCEA Level 2
23 credits	Internal: 15 External: 8	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
This course is aimed at students who want to learn about business and how to make money. Students will gain an understanding of business theory and practices through the practical experience of running a business, trips to local businesses as well as classroom-based learning. Fast track option available for Year 11 students. Guidelines for Success: Open Entry.		

BUSINESS STUDIES	BUS3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
23 credits	Internal: 15 External: 8	UE Reading: 23 UE Writing: 8
Learning: This course is aimed at students who want to learn about business and how to make money. Students will gain an understanding of business theory and practice through the practical experience of running a business as part of the Young Enterprise Scheme (YES), trips to YES events as well as classroom-based learning. This course leads to Tertiary Study in Commerce related courses. University approved course. Guidelines for Success: Level 1 Literacy or with HOLA approval.		

COMMERCE	COM2	NCEA LEVEL 2
20 AS/US credits	Internal:20 External:0	UE Reading: 5 UE Writing: 5
This course is designed for those students who would like to go on to study a commerce related subject at Level 3. It involves a mix of Accounting, Finance and Economics Level 2 standards including finding out about how to make the most of personal finances and using an Accounting software programme to process financial transactions. Guidelines for success: Open Entry.		

COMMERCE	COM3	NCEA LEVEL 3
20 AS/US credits	Internal:20 External:0	UE Reading: 5 UE Writing: 5
This course is designed for those students who would like to go on to study a commerce related subject at a tertiary institution but who may or may not have done a course of study in a commerce related subject at Level 1 or Level 2. It involves a mix of Accounting, Finance and Business Studies Level 3 standards. Guidelines for success: Level 1 Literacy or with HOLA approval.		

ECONOMICS	ECO2	NCEA Level 2
18 credits	Internal:10 External:8	UE Reading: 10 UE Writing: 8
Have you ever wondered why things are getting more and more expensive? Do you enjoy debating with others and believe that there isn't only one right answer for an issue? If you do, Level 2 Economics is for you. By taking this course, you will have the opportunity to explore the most recent economic issues that are happening in our country as well as in the world. This course will help you understand the impact of inflation, unemployment, international trade and the government's responses to these issues. Fast track option available for Year 11 students. Guidelines for Success: Open Entry		

ECONOMICS	ECO3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)	
20 credits	Internal:10 External:10	UE Reading: 20	UE Writing: 10
<p>Economics provides a stepping stone to many careers, in commerce, humanities, and even law. It leads to: Stage One Economics at university, giving you a head start in your university career. By learning Economics, you will be able to explain the impact of the most current events in the economic world, and to gain the in-depth knowledge of the government decisions toward our country's economic issues. Level 3 Economics will help you understand how the economy affects you and your whanau in real life. You will have a lot of opportunities to learn collaboratively and interactively in class in the form of group work, debate and group research. The course includes a trip to Wellington to visit key economic institutions such as the Reserve Bank and Parliament.</p> <p>Guidelines for success: Satisfactory completion of Level 2 Economics or with HOLA approval.</p>			

ENGLISH:

English	ENG2	NCEA Level 2
25 Credits	External 8 Internal 13	UE Literacy Reading and Writing 10 credits
<p>This course is designed for students whose English language skills are at or approaching what is required for Level 2 NCEA English. Indicators of this are: the student has passed at least ONE external and ONE internal Achievement standard in English; the student has gained Level One NCEA and/or the student has demonstrable English language skills at or approaching NZC Level Seven. Guidelines for success: A demonstrated interest and aptitude in reading and writing and the achievement of at least 15 Level 1 English credits. You will be offered a selection of the following achievement standards.</p>		

English Literacy	ENGL	NCEA Level 2, 3
20 Credits	External 4 Internal 16	
<p>This course is designed for students who are not yet ready to attempt a full Level 2 NCEA English course and for those who may not have gained Level 1 Literacy. It is a course designed to give you plenty of opportunity to develop your literacy skills. It combines both Level 2 Unit Standards and Level 2 Achievement Standards that meet the requirement for literacy. Students will be guided by their teacher toward a Literacy or English course dependent on results from Level One NCEA. You will have a course created specifically for your needs and pathways.</p>		

English	ENG3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
21 Credits	External 8 Internal 13	UE Literacy - up to 14 credits
<p>This course is aimed at students who have passed Level 2 English and who want to study this subject at Level 3. Choose this subject if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You like it, are good at it, and want to learn more about it; You want to go to university and need it as a UE approved subject; You want to study a course next year that requires Level 3 English; You qualify to enter the course and need some more Level 3 credits for NCEA. 		

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS ONLY:

ENGLISH for SUCCESS 1	ENS1	NCEA L1
23 Credits	Internal: 19 External: 4	
<p>ENS1 is an English Level 1 course targeted at English language learners to support their journey toward Level 1 NCEA Literacy through both Unit Standards and Achievement Standards. All placements in this course must have the approval of the HOLA (Head of English Language Learning Area).</p>		

ENGLISH for SUCCESS 2	ENS2	NCEA L2
24 Credits	Internal: 16 External: 8	UE literacy – 12 credits
<p>Learning: This course is aimed at English language learners whose English language skills are at or approaching curriculum levels 6 & 7 with this programme has a thematic base that consists of language support strategies and grammar components. Students can gain UE literacy through achievement and unit standards offered in this course. Guidelines for success: all placements must have the approval of the HOLA (Head of English Language Learning Area).</p>		

ENGLISH for SUCCESS 3	ENS3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
25 Credits	Internal: 21 External: 4	UE literacy – up to 20 credits
<p>Learning: This course is aimed at English language learners whose English language skills are at or approaching curriculum levels 7 & 8 with this programme and has a thematic base that consists of language support strategies and grammar components. Students can gain UE literacy achievement standards. Guidelines for success: all placements must have the approval of the HOLA (Head of English Language Learning Area).</p>		

English for Success: ENS2 and ENS3 – see Ms Kalauni for information. These courses are intended to support English language learners achieve UE literacy and Level 3 English.

ENGLISH for ACADEMIC PURPOSES 2	EAP2	NCEA L2
20 Credits	Internal: 20	L1 literacy: 8, UE literacy - Nil
<p>Learning: This course is aimed at English language learners whose English language skills are at or approaching curriculum levels 6 & 7 with this programme and has a thematic base that consists of language support strategies and grammar components. Students can gain literacy level 1 achievement standards. Guidelines for success: all placements must have the approval of the HOLA (Head of English Language Learning Area).</p>		

ENGLISH for ACADEMIC PURPOSES 3	EAP3	NCEA Level: 3
27 Credits	Internal: 25	UE literacy – 12 credits
<p>Learning: This course is aimed at English language learners whose English language skills are at or approaching curriculum levels 7 & 8. This programme and has a thematic base that consists of language support strategies and grammar components. Students can gain UE literacy achievement standards. Guidelines for success: all placements must have the approval of the HOLA (Head of English Language Learning Area).</p>		

ENGLISH FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES: EAP2 and EAP3 - see Ms Kalauni for information. These courses are intended to assist English Language Learners who are speakers of other languages. There are two EAP Level 4 Unit Standards offered to EAP3 students that are UE APPROVED (10 credits).

LANGUAGES:

SAMOAN, TE REO MAORI, TONGAN, JAPANESE are offered at Levels 2 and 3 at PHS. All are UE approved at Level 3. Students cannot usually pick up subjects without having done them at the previous level. So see your current teacher for information

GAGANA SAMOAN	SAM2	NCEA Level: 2
Total credits:24	Internal: 14 External: 10	UE Reading: UE Writing:
<p>Learning: This course builds on foundation skills achieved in Level 1 Samoan. If you are interested to learn Gagana Samoan and further your understanding in the culture, this course is for you! Samoan is the third most spoken language in Aotearoa and this course covers a range of skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing.</p>		

GAGANA SAMOAN	SAM3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
Total credits:24	Internal: 14 External: 10	UE Reading: UE Writing:
<p>Learning: This course is for students who have studied Samoan before or have some fluency in Gagana Samoa and wish to extend their understanding of the Samoan language. Students will learn about Samoan culture, language and customs relevant to a New Zealand context. Gagana Samoa is the third most spoken language in New Zealand following English and Te Reo Maori. This course provides a pathway to gain credits with several opportunities for students to achieve Level 3 Achievement standards. These credits can also contribute to your university entrance requirements. This course will help students to improve skills in listening, speaking, writing, interacting, and reading. A trip to Samoa is also offered as part of this course every second year for students who are eligible in the senior courses.</p>		

JAPANESE	JAP2	NCEA Level: 2
Total credits: 24	Internal: 14 External: 10	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil

Learning: If you have been studying Japanese already, you will know how this course can teach you more about the language and culture of Japan. You will be encouraged to talk during lessons! Language study develops your communication skills and you will find it easier to get a job later on. Japan is a very powerful country and with knowledge of Japanese, you could end up travelling the world, teaching or playing rugby in Japan, or working for a well-known company such as Honda or Sony. Most students in JAP2 will have studied Japanese earlier in school. You may be able to take it without prior study if you have watched a lot of anime and learnt the basics, but this will involve a bit of work over the summer break. See Ms Bhana for more information.

JAPANESE	JAP3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
Total credits:24	Internal: 14 External: 10	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: JAP3 gives you the chance to reinforce your knowledge of Japanese language and culture before you leave school and begin work or further study. Students in JAP3 will need to have studied Japanese at level 2. JAP3 will help you get the credits you need to get into university. You will also develop your Japanese language skills and learn about opportunities to teach, travel or work in Japan. See Miss Bhana for more information.		

LEA FAKA-TONGA	TON2	NCEA Level: 2
Total credits:24	Internal: 14 External: 10	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Lea Faka-Tonga at level 2 presents the oral, written as well as visual forms of language enabling students to appreciate that language and culture are systems that are organized and used in particular ways to achieve meaning. This course would lead to Level 3 Tongan. Guidelines for success: Equivalent of Level 1 Tongan.		

LEA FAKA-TONGA	TON3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
Total credits:24	Internal: 14 External: 10	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Lea Faka-Tonga course at level 3 is aimed at increasing skills in oral, written and visual texts in Lea Faka-Tonga language for comprehension and pleasure for both practical situations and composition. There are both internal and external assessments in this course.		

TE REO MĀORI	MĀO2	NCEA Level: 2
Total credits:28	Internal: 16 External: 12	UE Reading: 6 UE Writing: 12
Learning: Te Reo Māori builds on the language acquired at Level 1. You will develop conversation, writing and comprehension (listening and reading). This course is aimed at those students who have studied Level 1 Te Reo Māori and have an understanding of cultural concepts, tikanga and are able to hold a basic conversation in Te Reo Maori. Entry criteria: 18 credits from L1 Te Reo Māori or with HOLA approval. In addition, students wanting to be considered for assessment in any of the Achievement Standards or additional Unit Standards on offer will need to be approved by Pou Arataki Māori (HOLA). Approval will be given based on the ability of the individual student. Therefore, the number of credits gained at this level may differ from those listed above. Please see Mr Waru for more information. . <i>“Ko tōku nui, tōku wehi, tōku whakatiketike, tōku reo - My language is my greatness, my inspiration, that which I hold precious”.</i>		

TE REO MĀORI	MĀO3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
Total credits:28	Internal: 16 External: 12	UE Reading: 6 UE Writing: 12
Learning: Te Reo Māori continues to build on the language acquired at Level 2, including developing conversation, writing and comprehension (listening and reading). This course is aimed at those students who have studied Level 2 Te Reo Māori and have an opinion and understanding of cultural concepts, tikanga and are able to hold an advanced conversation in Te Reo Māori. Entry criteria: 12 credits from L2 Te Reo Maori or at HOLA discretion. In addition, students wanting to be considered for assessment in any of the Achievement Standards or additional Unit Standards on offer will need to be approved by the Pou Arataki Māori (HOLA). Approval will be given based on the ability of the individual student. Therefore, the number of credits gained at this level may differ from those listed above. Please see Mr Waru for more information. <i>“Ko tōu reo, ko tōku reo, te tuakiri tangata. Tīhei uriuri, tīhei nakonako - Your voice and my voice are expressions of identity. May our descendants live on and our hopes be fulfilled”.</i>		

MĀORI PERFORMANCE & WHAKATONGIA TE KAKANO	MPW 2/3	56 CREDITS 56 Internal 6 Literacy
This programme is designed for those taura (students) who have a keen interest in Te Ao Māori. Whakatongia Te Kakano is a unique opportunity for rangatahi (youth) to experience success and achievement through a Māori lens. Creating a sense of belonging through an engaging environment helps facilitate positive educational outcomes, while drawing on the knowledge and guidance of Mana Whenua, marae and kaumatua - ‘Ehara taku toa, he takitahi, he toa takitini – My success should not be bestowed onto me alone, as it was not individual success but success of a collective’. An individual Learning Plan (ILP) will be developed for taura (students) based on suitability, interest, availability, and access to resources. This subject is open to senior taura (students’) year 11 to year 13. Acceptance is based on the enthusiasm of our taura (students) and a willingness to commit to the programme’s requirements. All placements must have Pou Arataki Māori (HOLA) approval. For further clarification about this programme, please speak to Matua Waru.		

MATHEMATICS LEVEL 2:

It is strongly suggested that all students take Mathematics in Year 12, either at Level 2 or to complete Numeracy at Level 1. Remember that Level 1 Numeracy is required for UE Entrance at all NZ universities and Level 2 Mathematics is required for many pathways.

MATHEMATICS	MAT2M	NCEA Level 2
21 A.S. credits	Internal: 12 External: 9	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You need to have done Mathematics at Level 1 and have very good algebra skills. You will study more advanced algebra, be introduced to calculus, and create pictures graphs to name a few of the standards studied. There are three internal and three external assessments and this course leads onto Level 3 Calculus or Level 3 Statistics. It is mainly for people going on to university to study Engineering, Science, Mathematics or Technology.		

MATHEMATICS STATISTICS	MAT2S	NCEA Level 2
19 A.S. credits	Internal: 15 External: 4	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: If you did not gain Numeracy from Level 1 but have some Mathematics credits, this is the course for you. You will complete the Numeracy requirements by gaining Level 2 Mathematics credits from the more practical standards. The course is mainly internally assessed throughout the year with just one optional externally assessed standard and leads to Level 3 Mathematics for successful students.		

MATHEMATICS NUMERACY	MAT2N	NCEA Level 1 and 2
15 A.S. credits	Internal: 15 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You find Mathematics challenging but need to gain Numeracy credits OR you already have the numeracy requirement and want to gain further credits in a Level 2 achievement standard. This subject will help you gain confidence in learning Mathematics. We approach Mathematics through practical activities that have applications in real life.		

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS ONLY:

MATHEMATICS FOR ACADEMIC PURPOSES	EAM2	NCEA Level 2
19 A.S. credits	Internal: 15 External: 4	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This course is aimed at English language learners whose English language skills are at or approaching curriculum 6 & 7 with this programme and has a thematic base that consists of language support strategies and vocabulary development. Guidelines for success: All placements must have the approval of HOLA Language.		

MATHEMATICS LEVEL 3:

MATHEMATICS NUMERACY	MAT3N	NCEA Level 2 and 3
15 A.S. credits	Internal: 15 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You find Mathematics challenging but need to gain Numeracy credits OR you already have the numeracy requirement and want to gain further credits in a Level 3 achievement standard. This subject will help you gain confidence in learning Mathematics. We approach Mathematics through practical activities that have applications in real life.		

CALCULUS	CAL3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
24 AS credits	Internal: 7 External: 17	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You need to have done Mathematics at Level 2 and have very good algebra skills. You should also have created graphs and been introduced to calculus. In this course, you will study more advanced algebra, be introduced to complex numbers and will carry out differentiation and integration. There are two internal and three external assessments and this course is mainly for people going to University to study Engineering, Mathematics, Economics, Science or Technology and Statistics among others.		

MATHEMATICS	MAT3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
A.S 20 credits	Internal: 20 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You want to do a combination of Mathematics and Statistics for future studies (like Nursing or Economics) but have not gained Merits and Excellence in Level 2 Mathematics. This approved subject for University Entrance is for you. We use computers to draw graphs from data and write about what they show. Practical statistics with real data. You will also do trigonometry, linear programming and simultaneous equations.		

STATISTICS	STA3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
A.S 20 credits	Internal: 12 External: 8	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You need to continue doing Mathematics for future studies (like Nursing or Medicine) but find algebra difficult. We use computers to draw graphs from data and write about what they show. Practical statistics with real data. Can be combined with Calculus to increase chances of reaching 14 credits for university.		

PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH:

ACADEMIC PHYSICAL EDUCATION	PEA2	NCEA Level: 2
A.S about 22 credits	Internal: 22 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
<p>This course involves students demonstrating key movement and biophysical principles and then evaluating them. Student choice regarding some of the contexts can be negotiated with their teacher. There may be opportunities for students to attend a sporting event and examine its impact on society. This course would suit students who gained at least 16 Level One Physical Education credits and gained their Level One certificate. Passing A.S90963 is a must. Students who did not take Level One Physical Education could still take this course providing they have sufficient literacy skills and have HOD approval.</p>		

ACADEMIC PHYSICAL EDUCATION	PEA3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
19-23 AS credits	Internal:19-23 External: 0	UE Reading: 4 UE Writing: Nil
<p>Learning: This course can be tailored to suit the needs of the individual. Students in discussions with the teacher can choose what topics they investigate and need to have elements of self-management. Alternatively, topics can be decided by the teacher. It aims to provide real life learning opportunities that aim to help students in their futures. This is a University approved subject which means students need reasonable writing and reading skills. It would suit students who have their Level Two certificate and have taken PEA 2. Possible camps.</p>		

HEALTH	HTH2	NCEA Level: 2
A.S 19-24 credits	Internal: up to 15 External: up to 9	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
<p>Learning: Ideally for students who have taken HTH1 though open to students who have had a reasonable level of success in Level One. Participating in Health Education can lead towards a varied range of career options from medical services and health care to educating people on how to prevent sickness and look after their own wellbeing.</p>		

HEALTH	HTH3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
A.S 19-24 credits	Internal: up to 15 External: up to 9	UE Reading: 19 UE Writing: 5
<p>Learning: Ideally for students who have taken HTH2 though open to students who have had a good level of success in Level Two. Participating in Health Education can lead towards a varied range of career options from medical services and health care to educating people on how to prevent sickness and look after their own wellbeing. This is a highly academic subject with a lot of research-based essays.</p>		

HEALTHCARE STUDIES	HCS1	
18 – 20 credits	Internal 18	External 0
<p>Learning: This course is aimed at students from the ESOL learning are or students who may require extra support with their learning. This will be an introduction to Health related topics, such as, Wellbeing and Hauora, goal setting and working positively with diverse students and in group settings. The intention is that leads to HCS2, that will be developed for 2027. It is unlikely to prepare students for HTH1 and 2 due to the highly academic nature of that subject. Please speak to Mrs Kalauni or Mrs Jones-Fonokalafi for more information.</p>		

SPORTS STUDIES	SPS1	NCEA Level: 2
A.S 16 credits	Internal 16	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
<p>Learning: This course is designed to improve your understanding about physical activity. You will learn about improving your physical performance, demonstrate a range of skills in sporting contexts, work towards a wellbeing plan and fitness. Suit learners who enjoy being physically active although course is mostly theory work. You must have been fully active throughout Year 9 & 10 PE lessons.</p>		

SPORTS STUDIES	SPS2	NCEA Level: 2
U.S about 15 credits AS 8	Internal: 19-23 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
<p>Learning: You will have the opportunity to plan an event and a trip. It will involve group work and reflecting on your participation. Most of the learning is theory with some practical learning to support the theory. Leads onto Level Three SPS. Suitable for students who have taken SPL1 with some success and/or gained about 50 L1 credits.</p>		

SPORTS STUDIES	SPS2	NCEA Level: 2
U.S about 15 credits AS 8	Internal: 19-23 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You will have the opportunity to plan an event and a trip. It will involve group work and reflecting on your participation. Most of the learning is theory with some practical learning to support the theory. Leads onto Level Three SPS. Suitable for students who have taken SPL1 with some success and/or gained about 50 L1 credits.		

SPORTS STUDIES	SPS3	NCEA Level: 3
20 U.S 4 A.S	Internal: 28 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This is not a university approved subject. Ideally suited to students who have taken SPS2 with some success, have a keen interest in this subject and enjoy being involved in all types of physical activity. You will learn about putting on an event, use of sports psychology and exercise prescription.		

PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDIES	PES2	NCEA Level: 2
U.S about 15 credits AS 8	Internal: 19-23 External: 0	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This course is intended for English Language Learners. Students will be referred from the Head of Learning. You will about, risk in an outdoor environment and write a plan for this, working in group situations in a practical context and apply basic concepts of Kaitiakitanga. You must be willing to fully engage in both the practical and theory aspects of this course.		

SCIENCE:

BIOLOGY	BIO2	Level 2
24 credits A.S	Internal: 12 External: 12	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: You will need to have a good grasp of English and have completed Level One Science, ensuring that you have passed at least two External Achievement Standards, one of which is Genetics. This subject is demanding and involves a lot of self-study. We will study cellular function, genetics and metabolic pathways. Successful completion of this course leads to Level Three Biology.		

BIOLOGY	BIO3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
19 credits A.S	Internal: 6 External: 13	UE Reading: 3 UE Writing: 16
Learning: This subject allows students to pursue many fields at tertiary level, including research, healthcare and conservation. You will need to have a good grasp of English and have completed Level Two Biology, ensuring that you have passed at least two External Achievement Standards. This subject is demanding and involves a lot of self-study. We will study plant and animal relationships, animal speciation and human evolution, plus internal assessments on diabetes and an informed response of a sugar tax.		

CHEMISTRY	CHE2	NCEA Level 2
19 credits A.S	Internal: 10 External: 9	Literacy: 12 Numeracy: 4
Learning: This course is aimed for students who want to develop their understanding of Chemistry from Level One Science. It leads to CHE3 and diploma or degree level courses such as health sciences, engineering, pharmacy, science and creative technologies. The course includes a mix of practical activities to reinforce theoretical concepts. We will investigate the chemical and physical properties of elements along with organic chemistry. Internally we will understand the nature of Redox reactions, titrations and research about polymers in today's society.		

CHEMISTRY	CHE3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
Credit Type/Total: AS 19	Internal: 9 External: 10	UE Reading: 0 UE Writing: 0 Literacy: 16 Numeracy: 0
Learning: This course is aimed for students who want to develop their understanding of Chemistry from Level Two Chemistry. It leads to diploma or degree level courses such as health sciences, engineering, pharmacy, science and creative technologies. The course includes a mix of practical activities to reinforce theoretical concepts. We will delve deeper into the chemical and physical properties of elements, organic and redox reactions, read IR, UV-vis and Carbon NMR spectra. Investigate the difference between Hydrogen and Fossil Fuel cells.		

EARTH & SPACE SCIENCE	ESS2	NCEA Level 2
A.S. 20 credits	Internal: 16 credits External: 4	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: If you want to take Science to Level 3 then this course is suitable for you. We teach Achievement standards from Level 2 Earth & Space Science. Activities will involve a practical investigation on the sun's angle. Scientific research into the death of the dinosaurs, surviving in extreme environments, NZ volcanic features. You will sit one external exam involving the study of earthquakes and volcanoes.		

EARTH & SPACE SCIENCE	ESS3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
A.S. 20 credits	Internal: 16 credits External: 4	UE Reading: 7 UE Writing: 8
Learning: Earth and Space Science (ESS) explores the interconnections between the land, ocean, atmosphere, and life of our planet. Through studying ESS, you will gain an understanding of New Zealand's geology, marine environments, and weather systems. The ESS Achievement Standards are UE approved standards and are suitable for studying towards a diploma or degree level of study. The internal standards will involve doing scientific research on volcanoes, renewable energy, extra-terrestrial life, and a practical investigation. The external standard involves the study of the ocean systems. Good literacy and writing skills will be beneficial in this course.		

PHYSICS	PHY2	NCEA Level: 2
23 A.S. credits	Internal: 7 External: 16	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: If you enjoy Science and are curious about exploring how things work from sub-atomic particles to the expansion of the universe then Physics may be for you. You will need to be reasonably good at math (particularly algebra and trigonometry) and be able to look at problems from a new point of view. There is practical work and a field trip during the year. It isn't always the easiest subject, but it can be one of the most rewarding. Guidelines for success: Satisfactory completion of SCI1A/B or MAT1A/B course or with HOD approval.		

PHYSICS	PHY3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
23 A.S. credits	Internal: 7 External: 16	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
Learning: This course is aimed at students who want to take Physics or a related subject at a tertiary level and further extends the concepts covered in the L2 course. In laboratory work, more precise experimental skills are developed including the analysis of experimental uncertainty. Guidelines for success: Satisfactory completion of Level 2 Physics or with HOLA approval.		

SOCIAL SCIENCES:

CLASSICAL STUDIES	CST2	Level 2
18 credits A.S	Internal: 14 External: 4	UE Reading: 18 UE Writing: 8
Great generals, epic battles, monumental buildings, heroes, mythological creatures. The Tale of a Slave who nearly brought the Roman Empire to its knees. In this course you will explore the society, literature and art of ancient Greece/Rome. Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial.		

CLASSICAL STUDIES	CST3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
22 credits A.S	Internal: 12 External: 10	UE Reading: 22 UE Writing: 10
Empires, gods, tragic love stories, innovation and architectural genius. What did the Romans ever do for us? Discover this through studying Roman Religion and society, literature and examples of the art and architecture of ancient Rome. This is a Set A subject for Auckland University and recommended for those interested in a career in Law. Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial.		

GEOGRAPHY	GEO2	NCEA Level 2
18 A.S. Credits	Internal: 14 External: 4	UE Reading: Nil UE Writing: Nil
You will learn about how the natural world is constantly changing and the impact natural and cultural processes have on both global and New Zealand environments. You investigate how people view and use the natural landscapes and cultural environments. A fieldtrip may be conducted to a local CBD (Auckland City) to support the Research standard that is undertaken at L2. Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial.		

GEOGRAPHY	GEO3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
18 A.S. Credits	Internal: 14 External: 4	UE Reading: 10 UE Writing: 7
You will identify and evaluate different types of cultural processes and environments. You will analyse the characteristics, elements and patterns of cultural and natural process locally, nationally and globally. Engage with and investigate contemporary geographic issues locally and globally. Conduct geographic research into how major events impact the surrounding environments. Geography is a university approved subject and listed in Table A of the Auckland University entry requirements. Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial. A fieldtrip may be undertaken to support the content covered.		

GEOGRAPHY	GEO3X	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
18 A.S. Credits	Internal: 14 External: 4	UE Reading: 10 UE Writing: 7
<p>This option is aimed at students who are taking Geography for the first time. The content and assessment is similar to GEO3. However, the basic Level 1 and 2 Geography skills and concepts are covered again to help the students bridge the gap to Level 3. You will identify and evaluate different types of cultural and natural processes, and how people interact with their surrounding environment. Engage with and investigate contemporary geographic issues locally and globally. Geography is a university approved subject and listed in Table A of the Auckland University entry requirements. A fieldtrip may be undertaken to support the content covered. Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial.</p>		

HISTORY	HIS2	Level 2
19 credits A.S	Internal: 14 External: 5	UE Reading: 19 UE Writing: 9
<p>Want to know what foreign oppression looked like in the 20th Century? How a controversial leader allowed the Dawn Raids to happen in New Zealand? Or what the Second World War was like? And why America became involved in the Vietnam War? These are only some of the interesting things we look at in Level 2 History. Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial.</p>		

HISTORY	HIS3	NCEA Level: 3 (UE Approved)
19 credits A.S	Internal: 15 External: 4	UE Reading: 19 UE Writing: 4
<p>Do you want to learn about how New Zealand was involved in World War 1 and the impact of that event on society today? Or maybe you want to know more about the New Zealand's Wars? Then History is the subject you want to take! Not only will you learn about events that helped shape the world, you will also learn essential skills like analysing, communication and research. This is a Set A subject for Auckland University and recommended for those interested in a career in Law. Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial.</p>		

MEDIA STUDIES	MED2	+20 CREDITS 20 Internal 0 External
<p>Learning: Media studies is about the active exploration, analysis, creation and enjoyment of the media and its products. If you are interested in a career in journalism, television, print media or social media then this Media Studies will provide a pathway. This is a composite course for both level 2 and 3 students wil will develop a critical awareness of social issues in the media. Students will also engage with the language of media and identify problems that exist within this language. There will be the option to create and design a short film plan. The course consists of both achievement standards and unit standards, and will allow them to gain literacy.</p>		
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LEGAL STUDIES	LGS2	+20 CREDITS 20 Internal 0 External
<p>Legal Studies explore the role of law in society and the basic processes and principles of the New Zealand's legal system. Legal Studies explores and evaluates the ability of the legal system to provide just outcomes for all individuals and groups, giving learners a better understanding of their legal rights and responsibilities. Learners will develop an appreciation of how the legal system impacts their lives and how they can influence and change it. This subject can lead to a range of possible careers including the legal profession, business, police, corrections, customs officers, border security, government service or agencies. It leads to Level 3 Legal Studies and other Level 3 Social Science subjects. A fieldtrip(s) to local legal and/or government institutions-agencies may be organised.</p>		

LEGAL STUDIES	LGS3	+20 CREDITS 20 Internal 0 External
<p>Legal Studies offers an engaging exploration of how law shapes society and affects everyday life. Students will investigate the principles of New Zealand's legal system, examine how the law seeks justice for individuals and communities, and learn how to influence legal change. This course builds critical thinking and real-world understanding of legal rights, responsibilities, and the effectiveness of legal responses to social issues. Legal Studies can lead to pathways in: Law, Business, Police, Corrections, Customs and Border Security, Government and public service. Field trips to legal or government institutions may be included.</p>		

PATHWAY SKILLS	PWS3	Level 3
+/-35 credits	Internal: +/-35 External: 0	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
This course is designed to develop students' pathway decision-making skills, social skills and to confidently engage in teamwork situations, self-management skills, and ability to engage with local community projects. This course will be beneficial for students who are currently engaging in part-employment or plan on engaging in part-time employment or are considering going straight in employment after Year 13. A fieldtrip and engagement with a community project will be undertaken.		

SOCIAL STUDIES	SST2	Level 2
18 credits A.S.	Internal 14 External: 4	UE Reading: YES UE Writing: Nil
This course focusses on the rights and responsibilities all of us have as global citizens, social action, and cultural conflict. It will take you from going on a trip to make a positive change in our community environment to the push for 16-year-olds fighting against discrimination in New Zealand. Then continues with researching the reasons for conflict in the Middle East. Good current events and general knowledge, as well as literacy and writing skills are beneficial in this subject.		

SOCIAL STUDIES	SST3	Level 3 (UE APPROVED)
20 credits A.S.	Internal: 16 External: 4	UE Reading: YES UE Writing: YES
What makes people tick? What makes them commit crime? What makes them take action to make a real difference in their community? How do people respond to current issues like fast tracking government policies? Want to find out? Take this course and you will research, act and consider issues from a range of different perspectives, while also starting to recognise what really makes YOU tick! Good literacy and writing skills are beneficial in this subject. .		

TRAVEL AND TOURISM	TOU2	Level 2
18 credits U.S.	Internal: 18 External: 0	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
Are you interested in travelling and learning how tourism works? Or want to complete the credits required for the New Zealand Certificate in Tourism? If so, this is the course for you! You will learn about world destinations, their natural and cultural attractions and look at both the positive and negative impacts of tourism on people, places and the economy. You will need to have some grasp of English and have sound research skills. This course leads to Level 3 Tourism.		

TRAVEL AND TOURISM	TOU3	Level 3
17 credits	Internal: 17 External: 0	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
This subject allows students to pursue many options at tertiary level, including Certificate, Diploma and Degree courses. It will also lead to opportunities in the Service Vocational Pathway. You will study destinations such as the Pacific Islands, Australia and NZ as well as the economic significance of global tourism. You will need to have a good grasp of English and have completed NCEA Level Two as this subject involves a lot of research and self-study. Online units are also available for extra credits.		

TECHNOLOGY:

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION	BCT2	NCEA Level 2
U.S. 18 credits	Internal: 18 External: None	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
Learning: You work in a workshop, handling tools and materials like wood, plastic, metal. You learn to use machinery safely and to design and build useful stuff. You need to have L1 Literacy and Numeracy to handle the theory part. All assessment is done during the year and assessed at the end. This is the second part of a 3-year pre-trades- training course.		

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION	BCT3	NCEA Level: 3
U.S. 25 credits	Internal: 25 External: None	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
Learning: You work in a workshop or outside constructing small building work, handling tools and materials like wood, concrete and metal. You learn to use machinery safely and to design and build useful stuff. You need to have L2 Literacy. and Numeracy to handle the theory part. All assessment is done during the year and assessed at the end. This is the final part of a 3-year pre-trades- training course.		

HOSPITALITY	HOS2	NCEA Level: 2
U.S. 24 credits	Internal: 22 External: None	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: Extend your knowledge and gain skills in food preparing and working safely in a kitchen. You will be enjoying and learning different types of cooking methods, preparing food and beverages, table service, gaining knowledge of healthy nutritious food. It is a great career in Hospitality and has a lot of demand in the market. You will be learning knife skills and will be using special equipment which are used for preparing food. Beside cooking the students will be learning to make different types of coffee using espresso coffee machine in a café environment. The students can get a job in the café. Be prepared to work individually as well as in group. They will learn to acknowledge, greet and interact with customers in a hospitality environment.</p>		

HOSPITALITY	HOS3	NCEA Level: 3
U.S. 17 credits	Internal: 21 External: None	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: If you would like to extend your knowledge in baking, prepare it safely, prepare beverages using barista, exploring different ways of combining foods and are interested in a career in hospitality – join the Hospitality team. We produce food dishes found in the hospitality industry, prepare and present coffee using the barista equipment and find out about how we use specialist equipment. Be prepared to work in a group as well as on your own in good preparation for the service pathway.</p>		

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	MEC2	NCEA Level: 2
U.S. 18 credits	Internal: 18 External: None	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: You work in a workshop, handling tools and materials like metal, plastic and metal fasteners. You learn to use machinery safely and to design and build useful stuff. You need to have L1 Literacy and Numeracy to handle the theory part and taken NME1. Learn the care and use of specialist power tools and set-out work using mathematical calculations. It is a hands-on programme designed to use skills associated with building, jointing and machining with confidence by working accurately. All assessment is done during the year and assessed at the end. This is the second part of a 3-year pre-trades- training course.</p>		

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	MEC3	NCEA Level: 3
U.S. 18 credits	Internal: 18 External: None	UE Reading: NIL UE Writing: NIL
<p>Learning: You work in a workshop, handling tools and materials like metal, plastic and metal fasteners. You learn to use machinery safely and to design and build useful stuff. Your work in the workshop will be based around constructing small fabrication work, handling tools and materials like sheet-metal and acrylic. You need to have L1 Literacy and Numeracy to handle the theory part and taken NME2. All assessment is done during the year and assessed at the end This is the last part of a 3-year pre-trades- training course.</p>		

TECHNOLOGY	TEC2		
<p>This Level 2 course builds on the foundational knowledge and practical skills developed in Level 1 Materials and Processing Technology. It is designed for students interested in working with resistant materials (such as wood, metal, plastics) to create functional and well-crafted products that meet a specific brief. Students will learn to select and use appropriate planning tools to effectively manage the development process of a project. They will also undertake a detailed brief development to explore and address a given issue or need, considering stakeholder input and feasibility.</p>			
AS91355: Select and use planning tools to manage the development of an outcome		4	Int
AS91354: Undertake brief development to address and issue		4	Int
AS91344: Implement advanced procedures using resistant materials to make a specified product with special features		6	Int