

HSC Board Developed courses to be examined in 2023

Note: Some course names may change as a result of the Stronger HSC Standards reforms.

For further information and updates, visit the NESA website at educationstandards.nsw.edu.au.

Category A courses

Number	Course name	Unit value	Subject area
15000	Aboriginal Studies	2	Aboriginal Studies
15010	Agriculture	2	Agriculture
15020	Ancient History	2	Ancient History
15030	Biology	2	Biology
15040	Business Studies	2	Business Studies
15050	Chemistry	2	Chemistry
15060	Community and Family Studies	2	Community and Family Studies
15070	Dance	2	Dance
15080	Design and Technology	2	Design and Technology
15090	Drama	2	Drama
15100	Earth and Environmental Science	2	Earth and Environmental Science
15110	Economics	2	Economics
15120	Engineering Studies	2	Engineering Studies
15155	English as an Additional Language or Dialect	2	English
15130	English Standard	2	English
15140	English Advanced	2	English
15160	English Extension 1	1	English
15170	English Extension 2	1	English
15180	Food Technology	2	Food Technology
15190	Geography	2	Geography
15280	History Extension ¹	1	Same as corequisite 2-unit history course
15200	Industrial Technology	2	Industrial Technology
15210	Information Processes and Technology	2	Information Processes and Technology
15215	Investigating Science	2	Investigating Science
15220	Legal Studies	2	Legal Studies
15236	Mathematics Standard 2	2	Mathematics
15255	Mathematics Advanced	2	Mathematics
15250	Mathematics Extension 1 ²	1/2	Mathematics
15260	Mathematics Extension 2	2	Mathematics
15270	Modern History	2	Modern History
15290	Music 1	2	Music
15300	Music 2	2	Music
15310	Music Extension ³	1	Music
15320	Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	2	Personal Development, Health and Physical Education
15330	Physics	2	Physics
15345	Science Extension ⁴	1	Same as corequisite 2-unit science course
15350	Society and Culture	2	Society and Culture
15360	Software Design and Development	2	Software Design and Development
15370	Studies of Religion I ⁵	1	Studies of Religion
15380	Studies of Religion II ⁵	2	Studies of Religion
15390	Textiles and Design	2	Textiles and Design
15400	Visual Arts	2	Visual Arts

Number	Course name	Unit value	Subject area
Languages			
15510	Arabic Continuers	2	Arabic
15520	Arabic Extension	1	Arabic
15530	Armenian Continuers	2	Armenian
15540	Chinese Beginners	2	Chinese
15550	Chinese Continuers	2	Chinese
15557	Chinese in Context	2	Chinese
15565	Chinese and Literature	2	Chinese
15570	Chinese Extension	1	Chinese
15580	Classical Greek Continuers	2	Classical Greek
15590	Classical Greek Extension	1	Classical Greek
15600	Classical Hebrew Continuers	2	Classical Hebrew
15610	Classical Hebrew Extension	1	Classical Hebrew
15620	Croatian Continuers ⁶	2	Croatian
15640	Dutch Continuers	2	Dutch
15660	Filipino Continuers	2	Filipino
15670	French Beginners	2	French
15680	French Continuers	2	French
15690	French Extension	1	French
15700	German Beginners	2	German
15710	German Continuers	2	German
15720	German Extension	1	German
15730	Hindi Continuers	2	Hindi
15740	Hungarian Continuers	2	Hungarian
15750	Indonesian Beginners	2	Indonesian
15760	Indonesian Continuers	2	Indonesian
15775	Indonesian and Literature	2	Indonesian
15780	Indonesian Extension	1	Indonesian
15790	Italian Beginners	2	Italian
15800	Italian Continuers	2	Italian
15810	Italian Extension	1	Italian
15820	Japanese Beginners	2	Japanese
15830	Japanese Continuers	2	Japanese
15837	Japanese in Context	2	Japanese
15850	Japanese Extension	1	Japanese
15860	Khmer Continuers	2	Khmer
15870	Korean Beginners	2	Korean
15880	Korean Continuers	2	Korean
15887	Korean in Context	2	Korean
15895	Korean and Literature	2	Korean
15900	Latin Continuers	2	Latin
15910	Latin Extension	1	Latin
15940	Macedonian Continuers ⁶	2	Macedonian
15970	Modern Greek Beginners	2	Modern Greek
15980	Modern Greek Continuers	2	Modern Greek

Number	Course name	Unit value	Subject area
15990	Modern Greek Extension	1	Modern Greek
16000	Modern Hebrew Continuers	2	Modern Hebrew
16015	Persian Continuers	2	Persian
16020	Polish Continuers	2	Polish
16030	Portuguese Continuers	2	Portuguese
16035	Punjabi Continuers	2	Punjabi
16045	Russian Continuers	2	Russian
16050	Serbian Continuers ⁶	2	Serbian
16070	Spanish Beginners	2	Spanish
16080	Spanish Continuers	2	Spanish
16090	Spanish Extension	1	Spanish
16100	Swedish Continuers	2	Swedish
16110	Tamil Continuers	2	Tamil
16120	Turkish Continuers	2	Turkish
16140	Vietnamese Continuers	2	Vietnamese

Category B courses

Number	Course name ⁷	Unit value	Subject area
26098	Automotive (Examination)	2	Automotive
26199	Business Services (Examination)	2	Business Services
26299	Construction (Examination)	2	Construction
26399	Electrotechnology (Examination)	2	Electrotechnology
15126	English Studies (Examination)	2	English
26499	Entertainment Industry (Examination)	2	Entertainment Industry
27299	Financial Services (Examination)	2	Financial Services
26589	Hospitality – Food and Beverage (Examination)	2	Hospitality
26587	Hospitality – Kitchen Operation and Commercial Cookery (Examination)	2	Hospitality
27199	Human Services (Examination)	2	Human Services
27398	Information and Digital Technology (Examination)	2	Information and Digital Technology
15232	Mathematics Standard 1 (Examination)	2	Mathematics
26899	Primary Industries (Examination)	2	Primary Industries
26999	Retail Services (Examination)	2	Retail Services
27499	Tourism, Travel and Events (Examination)	2	Tourism, Travel and Events

Board endorsed courses

NESA endorses a range of other courses offered by schools and VET providers. However, these courses cannot be included in the calculation of your ATAR. For more information, search for 'Board endorsed courses' on the NESA website.

Notes

1. You can study both Ancient History and Modern History, but there is only one History Extension course. It is considered a course within the subject of either Modern History or Ancient History.
2. The unit value of this course changes depending on whether the course is taken in combination with Mathematics or Mathematics Extension 2.
3. You must study Music 2 if you wish to study Music Extension.
4. You can study more than one science course but there is only one Science Extension course. It is considered a course within one of the following subject areas: Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Science, Investigating Science, Physics.
5. You may study either Studies of Religion I or Studies of Religion II, but not both.
6. You may study only one of the following languages: Croatian continuers, Macedonian continuers, Serbian continuers.
7. An optional HSC written examination in Category B courses is offered to eligible students. Subject to ATAR rules, you must undertake the optional written examination to have the results from this course available for inclusion in the calculation of your ATAR. Check with your school or the NESA website at educationstandards.nsw.edu.au for more information.