



# Aquinas College Pathways 2019 - Year 11

## ATAR Pathway - 2019

Students complete 4 - 6 ATAR subjects in preparation for university. The following combination of options are available;

- 6 ATAR subjects,
- 5 ATAR subjects and either one (1) General or one (1) VET certificate,
- 4 ATAR subjects and either two (2) General or two (2) VET certificates or a combination of both.

## General Pathway - 2019

Students will be required to select a preferred General Pathway option to meet career goals and WACE / VET graduation requirements.

- **General Pathway 1**
- **General Pathway 2**
- **General Pathway 3**
- **General Pathway 4**

### General Pathway 1:

**General Pathway 1 - Alternative University Entrance Program.**

**Goal:** Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas in Year 11 in preparation for the Alternative University Entrance Program - Certificate IV in Business in Year 12.

The Alternative University Entrance Program is suited to a student wishing to keep their options open for university, while meeting the demands of one (1) or two (2) ATAR courses (English compulsory) studied at Aquinas.

Successful completion of the Certificate IV in Business qualification can provide a student an alternative entry into a range of undergraduate university courses with acknowledgement of a notional ATAR score of 70.

The course selection combinations for General Pathway 1 are;

- *English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), Maths ATAR (List B - Compulsory)*, 2 General, and 1 VET
- *English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), Maths ATAR (List B - Compulsory)*, 1 General and 2 VET
- *English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B General course (Compulsory)*, 1 General and 2 VET
- *English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B General course (Compulsory)*, 2 General and 1 VET

### General Pathway 2:

**General Pathway 2 plus External VET qualification courses (delivered through TAFE and Training Organisations up to Certificate III level)**

**Goal:** Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas and participate in one external VET qualification course off campus one day per week in Year 11.

External VET options include;

**Pre-Apprenticeships in School (PAiS)**

- Plumbing (MPA Skills and SMTAFE)
- Electrical (CET and SMTAFE)
- Automotive (MTA and SMTAFE)
- Painting and Decoration (MPA Skills),
- Building & Construction (Skill Hire and SMTAFE)
- Civil Construction (Ertech)

**Aquinas Partnership VET Programs (Specialist Industry Courses delivered by Industry Specialists to Aquinas Students)**

Students will be away from the College one day per week

- Certificate III in Fitness (BCA National - Certificate IV option in Year 12)
- Certificate III in Community Services (Fremantle Education Centre - Certificate IV option in Year 12)
- Certificate III in Business (Fremantle Education Centre - Certificate IV option in Year 12)
- Certificate III in Screen and Media (MPC)

The course selection combinations for General Pathway 2 are;

- *English General (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory)*, 1 General, and 1 VET
- *English General (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory)* and 2 VET

**TAFE WA: VET in Schools (VETiS) qualifications**

South Metropolitan TAFE (SMTAFE) and North Metropolitan TAFE (NMTAFE) provide specialist VET qualifications through the government funded VET in Schools Program in the following industry areas.

- Automotive
- Business & Financial Services
- Community Services & Health
- Construction Industries
- Creative Industries
- Engineering
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Information & Communications Technology (ICT)
- Primary Industries
- Sport & Recreation

**School Based Traineeships**

- Certificate II in Retail Services
- Certificate II in Hospitality

### General Pathway 3:

**General Pathway 3 including Certificate II qualifications delivered at Aquinas.**

**Goal:** Undertake six (6) courses in Year 11 that caters for WACE graduation requirements. This comprises General and VET courses at Aquinas only.

Students look to maximize their learning opportunities and set the foundations for a life after school by completing a range of General Pathway and Vocational (VET) courses to suit future career aspirations and pursuits.

The course selection combinations for General Pathway 3 are;

- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory)*, 1 General, and 1 VET
- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory)* and 2 VET

### General Pathway 4:

**General Pathway 4 plus Workplace Learning.**

**Goal:** Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas and participate in Workplace Learning (WPL) off campus one day per week in Year 11.

Students will be required to complete a minimum of 110 hours of WPL over two (2) semester long placements.

INSTEP West provide a range of opportunities for WPL in the following areas;

- Automotive
- Business & Financial Services
- Community Services & Health
- Construction Industries
- Creative Industries
- Engineering
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Information & Communications Technology (ICT)
- Primary Industries
- Sport & Recreation

The course selection combinations for General Pathway 4 are;

- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory)*, 1 General and 1 VET
- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory)* and 2 VET

**VET Courses (delivered at Aquinas) All VET courses are nationally recognised and accredited**

- Certificate II in Music Industry - Performance Focus
- Certificate II in Information Digital Media & Technology
- Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways - Wood
- Certificate II in Rural Operations

- Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation
- Certificate II in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways (embedded in Careers & Enterprise General)

**Frequently asked questions**

- General Options 1, 2, 3 and 4 are joint school and parent funded.
- General Pathway 2 external VET courses are subject to student demand and availability through external providers.

To ensure WACE graduation requirements are met and a student's workload is managed, detailed explanations of each General Pathway option are available on the course outline site on the College Portal under the Academic tab.

## General Pathway I:

### Alternative University Entrance Program

**Goal: Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas in Year 11 in preparation for the Alternative University Entrance Program - Certificate IV in Business in Year 12.**

The Alternative University Entrance Program is suited to a student wishing to keep their options open for university, while meeting the demands of one (1) or two (2) ATAR courses studied at Aquinas (English ATAR compulsory).

Successful completion of the Certificate IV in Business qualification can provide students alternative entry into a range of undergraduate university courses with acknowledgement of a notional ATAR score of 70. *(Please note: notional ATAR entry requirements vary between universities and are not eligible at some universities)*

#### Course Selection at Aquinas in Year 11

**The following must be adhered to for course selection in General Pathway I at Aquinas.**

- All students will be required to undertake six (6) courses in Year 11 at Aquinas.
- Three (3) of the six (6) courses must include English ATAR course (compulsory), a Religion & Life course and at least one list B course, typically Mathematics Applications ATAR or Mathematics Essential.
- Students must choose three (3) other courses to make up their total of six (6) from the course combination below.
- Students must select one (1) but no more than two (2) VET courses.
- Students must meet prerequisites for all courses chosen.
- Please ensure all reserves are completed on your course selection form.

*Students selecting a two (2) ATAR course combination may substitute Mathematics Applications (ATAR) with any ATAR course offered at Aquinas, provided one (1) List B course is selected.*

**The course selection combinations for General Pathway I are;**

- **English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x Maths ATAR (List B - Compulsory), 2 General, and 1 VET**
- **English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x Maths ATAR (List B - Compulsory), 1 General and 2 VET**
- **English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B General course (Compulsory), 1 General and 2 VET**
- **English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B General course (Compulsory), 2 General and 1 VET**

**The following courses are available for General Pathway I course selection;**

#### LIST A

- Business Management & Enterprise (General)
- Career & Enterprise (General)
- English (ATAR)
- English (General)
- Religion & Life (General)
- Visual Arts (General)

#### LIST B

- Integrated Science (General)
- Materials Design & Technology Metal (General)
- Mathematics Applications (ATAR)
- Mathematics Essential (General)
- Physical Education Studies (General)

#### VET

- Certificate II in Music Industry - Performance Focus
- Certificate II in Information Digital Media & Technology
- Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways - Wood
- Certificate II in Rural Operations
- Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation
- Certificate III in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways (embedded in Careers & Enterprise General)*

#### Optional Extras (External programs available in Year 11 off campus)

Students in General Pathway I are encouraged to complete either one (1) external VET course or Workplace Learning (WPL) in Year 11.

These programs are completed on top of the student's six (6) courses studied at Aquinas.

Students will typically be away from the College one day per week for VET qualifications courses OR complete a Block Placement of WPL during semester exams after the student's scheduled ATAR exams are complete;

**The following options are available to General Pathway I students in Year 11;**

- Workplace Learning (WPL) - Block Placement (Completed in Semester One and Two exam breaks after all student's exams are completed)
- VET External Courses - through TAFE or other training providers (see General Pathway 2 for list of courses available)

**Please Note:** External programs are not a mandatory requirement for General Pathway I but are recommended to ensure your son develops vocational skills in preparation for life after school.

Students enrolled in General Pathway I aiming to complete external programs in Year 11 should opt for one of the following course combinations to effectively manage their workload;

- **English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), Maths ATAR (List B - course Compulsory), 2 General, and 1 VET**
- **English ATAR (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B General course (Compulsory), 2 General and 1 VET**

## General Pathway 2:

**Goal: Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas and participate in one external VET qualification course off campus one day per week in Year 11.**

Students enrolled in General Pathway 2 look to value add to their courses at Aquinas by completing an external VET qualification in a specialist industry area off campus one day per week.

### Course Selection at Aquinas in Year 11

**The following must be adhered to for course selection in General Pathway 2 at Aquinas.**

- All students will be required to undertake six (6) courses in Year 11 at Aquinas.
- Three (3) of the six (6) courses include a English course, a Religion & Life course and one list B course.
- Students must choose three (3) other courses to make up their total of six (6) from the course combinations below.
- Students must select one (1) but no more than two (2) VET courses.
- Students must meet prerequisites for all courses chosen.
- Please ensure all reserves are completed on your course selection form.

**The course selection combinations for General Pathway 2 are;**

- *English General (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory), 1 General, and 1 VET*
- *English General (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory) and 2 VET*

**The following course is compulsory on General Pathway 2:**

- Careers & Enterprise General

**The following courses are available for General Pathway 2 course selection;**

#### LIST A

- Business Management & Enterprise (General)
- Career and Enterprise (General)
- English (General)
- Religion & Life (General)
- Visual Arts (General)

#### LIST B

- Integrated Science (General)
- Materials Design & Technology Metal (General)
- Mathematics Application (ATAR)
- Mathematics Essentials (General)
- Mathematics Foundations (General)
- Physical Education Studies (General)

#### VET

- Certificate II in Music Industry - Performance Focus
- Certificate II in Information Digital Media & Technology
- Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways - Wood
- Certificate II in Rural Operations
- Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation
- *Certificate II in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways (embedded in Careers & Enterprise General)*

### External VET programs and specialist industry training available in Year 11 (off campus - one day per week)

Students in General Pathway 2 will complete one (1) external VET qualification course in Year 11. Qualification courses are completed on top of a student's six (6) courses studied at Aquinas. Course offerings and application details for 2019 will be available on the Aquinas course outline site under 'Year 11 VET'.

This list includes;

#### Pre-Apprenticeships in School (PAiS)

Students will typically be away from the College one day per week and also complete 110 hours of Workplace Learning (WPL) related to their qualification during semester exam breaks.

- Plumbing (MPA Skills and SMTAFE)
- Electrical (CET and SMTAFE)
- Automotive (MTA and SMTAFE)
- Painting and Decoration (MPA Skills),
- Building & Construction (Skill Hire and SMTAFE)
- Civil Construction (Ertech)

#### Aquinas Partnerships VET Programs - Specialist Industry Courses delivered by Industry Specialists to Aquinas Students

Students will be away from the College one day per week

- Certificate III in Fitness (BCA National - Certificate IV option in Year 12)
- Certificate III in Community Services (Fremantle Education Centre - Certificate IV option in Year 12)
- Certificate III in Business (Fremantle Education Centre - Certificate IV option in Year 12)
- Certificate III in Screen and Media (MPC)

#### TAFE WA: VET in Schools (VETiS) qualifications courses

South Metropolitan Tafe (SMTAFE) and North Metropolitan Tafe (NMTAFE) provide specialist VET qualifications through the government funded VET in Schools (VETiS) Program in the following industry areas.

- Automotive
- Business & Financial Services,
- Community Services & Health
- Construction Industries
- Creative Industries
- Engineering
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Information & Communications Technology (ICT)
- Primary Industries
- Sport & Recreation.

Please note: Courses are highly competitive.

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## General Pathway 2:

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**Goal: Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas and participate in one external VET qualification course off campus one day per week in Year 11.**

Students enrolled in General Pathway 2 look to value add to their courses at Aquinas by completing an external VET qualification in a specialist industry area off campus one day per week.

### Course Selection at Aquinas in Year 11

#### External VET programs and specialist industry training available in Year 11 (off campus - one day per week)

##### School Based Traineeships

Students will undergo work related training and will typically be away from the College one day per week in an employment setting, paid for hours completed and completing a nationally recognised qualification. Note: work hours can also be arranged outside school hours to coincide with casual/part time work.

- Certificate II in Retail Services
- Certificate II in Hospitality

##### Frequently asked questions

##### Application Process Information (SMTAFE, NMTAFE and PAiS)

Students applying for courses listed in General Pathway 2 options will require the following information when completing application forms.

- Unique Student Identifier (USI)  
(complete at [usi.gov.au](http://usi.gov.au))

- SCSA Student number

Students / parents applying for courses through SMTAFE and NMTAFE and Pre-Apprenticeships (listed above) will be required to complete application forms as instructed by the provider.

Some qualification courses may also require an interview process and aptitude testing. Generally, the following documentation is required for application and interviews;

- Resume
- Volunteer work / Work Experience
- References
- Certificates (leadership, sporting, first aid etc.)
- USI and SCSA student number

##### When do SMTAFE, NMTAFE and PAiS applications take place?

Enrolment and expression of interest for courses commence Term 3 (July/August). Application information will be available on the Aquinas course Year 11 outline site on the under 'Year 11 VET'.

Students and parents will be notified whether their application is declined or accepted by the training organisation no later than mid November.

##### Please Note:

- Submitting an application for an external VET course does not guarantee a placement.
- General Pathway 2 courses are subject to student demand and availability through external providers.
- Students must meet good standing requirements to undertake General Pathway 2 courses.
- If students are unsuccessful, they will be placed in General Pathway 4 until another opportunity becomes available.
- Students in General Pathway 2 completing English General will need to demonstrate successful completion of a Certificate III qualification before progressing to Certificate IV qualification in Year 12.
- General Pathway 2 students with the intention of enrolling in university after Year 12 completing English General, will need to sit and pass a University English Competence 'Test' to avoid English bridging courses when they commence university. For more information please contact the VET Coordinator or Head of English.

## General Pathway 3:

**Goal: Undertake six (6) courses in Year 11 that caters for WACE graduation by undertaking General and VET courses at Aquinas only.**

Students look to maximize their learning opportunities and set the foundations for a life after school by completing a range of General Pathway and Vocational (VET) courses to suit future career aspirations and pursuits.

### Course Selection at Aquinas in Year 11

**No external courses or programs are available with this option.**

**The following must be adhered to for course selection in General Pathway 3 at Aquinas.**

- All students will be required to undertake six (6) courses in Year 11.
- Three (3) of the six (6) courses include a English course, a Religion & Life course and at least one list B course.
- Students must choose three (3) other courses to make up their total of six (6) from the course combinations below.
- Students can select one (1) but no more than two (2) VET courses.
- Students must meet prerequisites for all courses chosen.
- Please ensure all reserves are completed on your course selection form.

**The course selection combinations for General Pathway 3 are;**

- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory), 1 General, and 1VET*
- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory) and 2VET*

**The following course is compulsory on General Pathway 3:**

- Careers & Enterprise General

**Please note: No external courses or programs are available with this option.**

**The following courses are available for General Pathway 3 course selection**

#### LIST A

- Business Management & Enterprise (General)
- Career and Enterprise (General) (Compulsory)
- English (General)
- English Foundations (General)
- Religion & Life (General)
- Visual Arts (General)

#### LIST B

- Integrated Science (General)
- Materials Design and Technology Metal (General)
- Mathematics Essentials (General)
- Mathematics Foundations (General)
- Physical Education Studies (General)

#### VET

- Certificate II in Music Industry - Performance Focus
- Certificate II in Information Digital Media & Technology
- Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways - Wood
- Certificate II in Rural Operations
- Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation
- *Certificate II in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways (embedded in Careers & Enterprise General)*

## General Pathway 4:

**Goal: Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas and participate in Workplace Learning (WPL) off campus one day per week in Year 11**

General Pathway 4 is suited to students who prefer a more hands on learning approach. WPL will allow students to gain experience and explore future career options in their preferred industry.

### Course Selection at Aquinas in Year 11

**The following must be adhered to for course selection in General Pathway 4 at Aquinas.**

- All students will be required to undertake six (6) courses in Year 11.
- Three (3) of the six (6) courses include a English course, a Religion & Life course and at least one list B course.
- Students must choose three (3) other courses to make up their total of six (6). from the course combinations below.
- Students can select one (1) but no more than two (2) VET courses.
- Students must meet prerequisites for all courses chosen.
- Please ensure all reserves are completed on your course selection form.

**The course selection combinations for General Pathway 4 are;**

- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory), 1 General and 1 VET*
- *English General OR English Foundations (Compulsory), Religion & Life (Compulsory), 1 x List B course (Compulsory), Careers & Enterprise General (Compulsory) and 2 VET*

**The following course is compulsory on General Pathway 4:**

- Careers & Enterprise General

**The following courses are available for General Pathway 4 course selection;**

#### LIST A

- Business Management & Enterprise (General)
- Career and Enterprise (General)
- English (General)
- English Foundations (General)
- Religion & Life (General)
- Visual Arts (General)

#### LIST B

- Integrated Science (General)
- Materials Design & Technology Metal (General)
- Mathematics Essentials (General)
- Mathematics Foundations (General)
- Physical Education Studies (General)

#### VET

- Certificate II in Music Industry - Performance Focus
- Certificate II in Information Digital Media & Technology
- Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways - Wood
- Certificate II in Rural Operations
- Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation
- *Certificate II in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways (embedded in Careers & Enterprise General)*

### Workplace Learning in Year 11 (off campus one day per week)

Students in General Pathway 4 will participate in Workplace Learning (WPL) one day per week over the academic year:

WPL arranged through INSTEP West is completed on top of the student's six (6) courses studied at Aquinas. Students will typically be away from the College one day per week and required to complete a minimum of 110 hours of WPL. Students can also complete WPL during semester exam breaks provided all VET course and school requirements are up to date.

#### Work Placement Options

INSTEP West provide a range of opportunities for WPL in the following areas;

- Automotive
- Business & Financial Services
- Community Services & Health
- Construction Industries
- Creative Industries
- Engineering
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Information & Communications Technology (ICT)
- Primary Industries
- Sport & Recreation

#### Application Forms

Student / Parents will need to complete the following enrolment information available on the Year 11 course outline site under 'Year 11 VET'

- INSTEP West - Student application form
- Work Placement request form

#### Interview Process

All students participating in WPL will undertake an interview with INSTEP West in Term 4. Generally, the following documentation is required for interviews;

- Resume
- Volunteer work / Work Experience
- References
- Certificates (leadership, sporting, first aid etc.)