



Aquinas College Pathways 2019 - Year 12

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

It is recommended that students continue with courses and pathways selected in Year 11. If a student is considering a pathway or course change from 'ATAR to General', or between 'General Pathway options', it is recommended you contact the College VET Coordinator or Careers Advisor in conjunction with your Head of House.

General Pathway 1:

General Pathway 1 - Alternative University Entrance Program.

Goal: Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas in Year 12 and complete the Certificate IV in Business qualification off campus one day per week.

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.

It is recommended that students continue with courses and pathways selected in Year 11. If a student is considering a pathway or course change the following 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), 1 x List B General course (Compulsory), 2 General and 1 VET

General Pathway 2:

General Pathway 2 plus External VET qualification courses

Goal: Undertake six (6) courses at Aquinas and participate in one external VET qualification course off campus one day per week in Year 12.

External VET options include;

Pre-Apprenticeships in School (PAIS)

- Plumbing (MPA Skills)
- Electrical (CET)
- Automotive (MTA)

TAFE WA: VET in Schools (VETiS) qualifications

South Metropolitan Tafe (SMTAFE) and North Metropolitan Tafe (NMTAFE) provide specialist VET Year 12 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

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 in Fitness (BCA National) (only available for students who completed the Cert III in Fitness in 2018)
- Certificate III in Business (Fremantle Education Centre)
- Certificate III in Community Services (Fremantle Education Centre)
- Certificate III in Screen and Media (MPC)

It is recommended that students continue with courses and pathways selected in Year 11. If a student is considering a pathway or course change the following 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

General Pathway 3:

General Pathway 3 including Certificate II qualifications delivered at Aquinas.

Goal: Undertake six (6) courses in Year 12 that caters for WACE graduation requirements. This comprises of 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.

It is recommended that students continue with courses and pathways selected in Year 11. If a student is considering a pathway or course change the following 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

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 12. 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

It is recommended that students continue with courses and pathways selected in Year 11. If a student is considering a pathway or course change the following 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

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.
- General Pathway options have been created to ensure WACE graduation requirements are met and a student's workload is managed

Course selection information for Year 12, 2019 can be found on the course outline site on the College Portal under the Academic tab.