The SACE Stage 1 in 2015

Year 11 Seymour College Curriculum Information
Information → Good decisions

• Senior School Curriculum Guide 2015
• Web Based Preferences Access Guide
• 2015, 2016, 2017 SATAC Information Book
• Subject Selection Interview
What is the SACE?

• The South Australian Certificate of Education
• Awarded to students who successfully complete their senior secondary education
• Internationally recognised
• Leads to work, training and further study
Features of the SACE

Students earn credits for completed subjects:
• One semester is worth 10 credits
• Students must complete courses adding up to at least 200 credits, mostly over two years
• Students need to gain a C grade or higher for compulsory subjects to gain the SACE
• A - E grades in every subject
What’s next?

SACE continues in 2 “stages”

2015 – Stage 1 (Year 11)

2016 – Stage 2 (Year 12)
Stage 1
Compulsory subjects Stage 1

C standard required (C grade or higher)

– Personal Learning Plan
  Completed in Year 10 (10 credits)

– Literacy (at least 20 credits from a range of English subjects or courses)

– Numeracy (at least 10 credits from range of Mathematics subjects or courses)
Compulsory Literacy – Stage 1

20 credits

Choose one of the following courses for two semesters

• English as a Second Language
• English Communications
• English Pathways
• English Studies
• Literacy for Work and Community Life
Compulsory Numeracy – Stage 1

10 credits

Choose one of the following courses for at least one semester

• Mathematics 1, 2 & 3 (Mathematical Studies)
• Mathematics 4 (Specialist Mathematics)
• Mathematical Applications
• Mathematical Pathways
Research Project

- A rigorous and detailed study in an area of interest – student’s own choice
- It is a Stage 2 subject gaining 10 credits
- Completed at Stage 1 level

C standard required (C- or higher)
# Stage 1 at Seymour College

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Stage 1 Subjects 2015

- Accounting
- Biology
- Business & Enterprise
- Chemistry
- Design & Technology: Communication Products: Multimedia
- Design & Technology: Fashion
- Drama
- Economics
- English as a Second Language
- English Communications
- English Pathways
- English Studies
- Food and Hospitality
- French

- Geography
- German (Stage 2)
- Information Processing & Publishing
- History
- Japanese
- Legal Studies
- Mathematical Applications
- Mathematics 1, 2, 3 & 4
- Mathematical Pathways
- Music
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Psychology
- Spanish (Stage 2)
- Visual Arts
### What might one student’s choices look like?

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Recognised learning

The SACE recognises learning in and outside school, for example:

• Vocational Education and Training courses (VET)
• University and TAFE courses
• Community learning

www.sace.sa.edu.au/subjects/recognised-learning
Vocational Education and Training (VET)

• Students can undertake hands-on learning in a workplace setting and get a head start on a career
• They learn on-the-job skills while working towards both the SACE and a VET qualification
• Students can gain up to 150 of their 200 SACE credits at Stage 1 and/or Stage 2 from VET
University, TAFE and other courses

• Students who complete a Certificate III or higher may count the qualification towards their ATAR

• The SACE also recognises university studies, interstate and overseas senior secondary school qualifications and language courses
Community learning

• Students can count up to 90 credits of community learning at Stage 1 or Stage 2
• Programs such as the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award, Country Fire Service Training, and Australian Music Exams are recognised
• Students may also receive credits for playing sport at an elite level, acting as a carer, or gaining a pilot’s licence
Stage 2
Compulsory subjects Stage 2

Students must gain 90 credits

C standard required (C- or higher)

• Three Stage 2 subjects (60 credits)
• Flexible options (30 credits)
• Research Project (completed in Stage 1)
What does this look like?

- Students aiming for tertiary study and an ATAR must successfully gain 90 credits – 30 credits from Flexible Options.

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What are flexible options?

• This can come from the score of a 20 credit subject
• \( \frac{1}{2} \) the score of one or more 20 credit subjects
• The score of one or more 10 credit subjects
• The scores of Recognised Learning to a maximum of 20 credits
Stage 2 at Seymour

- Students aiming for tertiary study and an ATAR must successfully gain 90 credits in total

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Stage 2 Subjects at Seymour

- Biology
- Business & Enterprise
- Chemistry
- Drama
- English as a Second Language
- English Communications
- English Pathways
- English Studies
- Food and Hospitality
- French
- History
- Information Processing & Publishing
- Japanese
- Legal Studies
- Mathematical Applications
- Mathematical Methods
- Mathematical Studies
- Music
- Nutrition
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Psychology
- Society & Culture
- Spanish
- Specialist Mathematics
- Visual Arts

All Stage 2 subjects at Seymour are classed as Tertiary Admissions Subjects (TAS)
Subject choices to expand in 2016
Assessment in Stage 1

• A - E grades in every subject
• Performance standards make clear what students need to achieve
• Students must achieve A, B or C grade in all compulsory subjects
• Stage 1 marked by teachers
• Some moderation occurs in a range of subjects
Looking ahead……
University entrance 2017

Students wishing to apply for university entry must:

• Complete the SACE (including three 20 credit Stage 2 subjects)

• Complete 90 Stage 2 credits from Tertiary Admissions Subjects (TAS) and Flexible Learning Options

• Complete prerequisite requirements for some courses
What is the Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR)?

• A measure of a student’s achievement in the SACE compared to other students

• Used by all Australian universities to select school leavers for admission to courses

• Range 0 – 99.95
University entrance

• Full details on university and TAFE entry requirements for 2017 is provided in the Tertiary Entrance Booklet 2015, 2016, 2017

Applying for TAFE

• TAFE recognises the SACE as entry requirement for most courses

• TAFE also recognises a range of other qualifications in the entry and selection process
Universities use **Selection Ranks** to determine entry to courses.

This is the ATAR + **Bonus Points**.

One size fits all – except for medicine, Veterinary Bioscience.

The SA Universities Equity Scheme.

The SA Language, Literacy and Mathematics Bonus Scheme.
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- The scheme aims to encourage students to strengthen their preparation for university studies
  - LOTE
  - English Studies
  - English Communications
  - Mathematical Studies
  - Specialist Mathematics
- **2 points per subject up to a maximum of 4 points**
Important Dates

• Subject Selection Survey Forms due
  Friday, 15 August 2014

• Subject Selection Interviews
  Year 11 2015 – Monday, 1 September 2014
Want to know more?

Visit the SACE website at: www.sace.sa.edu.au
Key Personnel

- Ruth Massie
- Leonie Harwood: Co-Deputy Principal
- Lisa Parsons: Head of Senior School
- Michelle Stoutjesdijk: Careers Counsellor
- Maria de Lima: SACE Co-ordinator
- Faculty Heads
- Clan Guardians
- Subject Teachers
Questions?