# **Geography** General senior subject



## Recommendation

A Sound Achievement (C) in a Year 10 Humanities subject and/or English.

## Rationale

Geography focuses on the significance of 'place' and 'space' in understanding our world. Students engage in a range of learning experiences that develop their geographical skills and thinking through the exploration of geographical challenges and their effects on people, places and the environment. Students investigate places in Australia and across the globe to observe and measure spatial, environmental, economic, political, social and cultural factors. They interpret global concerns and challenges including responding to risk in hazard zones, planning sustainable places, managing land cover transformations and planning for population change. They develop an understanding of the complexities involved in sustainable planning and management practices.

Students observe, gather, organise, analyse and present data and information across a range of scales. They engage in real-world applications of geographical skills and thinking, including the collection and representation of data.

#### Pathways

A course of study in Geography can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of urban and environmental design, planning and management; biological and environmental science; conservation and land management; emergency response and hazard management; oceanography, surveying, global security, economics, business, law, engineering, architecture, information technology, and science.

## **Objectives**

By the conclusion of the course of study, students will:

- explain geographical processes
- comprehend geographic patterns
- analyse geographical data and information
- apply geographical understanding
- synthesise information from the analysis to propose action
- communicate geographical understanding.

#### Delivery (mode, time requirements, lessons)

Students are expected to undertake independent study to complete tasks and assessment in accordance with the Work Rate Calendar. Students also have access to a one-hour scheduled lesson and a one-hour tutorial each week. Lessons are delivered via our designated Learning Management System.

#### **Student requirements**

Computer, access to email and internet, telephone and USB headset with microphone, exercise book, stationer

# Structure

Unit 1 (Year 11 Semester 1)	Unit 2 (Year 11 Semester 2)	Unit 3 (Year 12 Semester 1)	Unit 4 (Year 12 Semester 2)
Responding to risk and vulnerability in hazard zones	Planning sustainable places	Responding to land cover transformations	Managing population change
<ul> <li>Natural hazard zones</li> <li>Ecological hazard zones</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Responding to challenges facing a place in Australia</li> <li>Managing the challenges facing a megacity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Land cover transformations and climate change</li> <li>Responding to local land cover transformations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Population challenges in Australia</li> <li>Global population change</li> </ul>

#### Assessment

**Formative assessment** 

Unit 1		Unit 2		
Formative internal assessment 1 (FA1): Examination – combination response	25%	Formative internal assessment 3 (FA3): Investigation – field report	25%	
Formative internal assessment 2 (FA2): Investigation – data report	25%	Formative internal assessment 4 (FA4): Examination – combination response	25%	

#### Summative assessment

Unit 3		Unit 4		
Summative internal assessment 1 (IA1): Examination — combination response	25%	Summative internal assessment 3 (IA3): Investigation — data report	25%	
Summative internal assessment 2 (IA2): Investigation — field report	25%	Summative external assessment (EA): Examination — combination response	25%	

In Units 3 and 4 students complete four summative assessments. The results from each of the assessments are added together to provide a subject score out of 100. Students will also receive an overall subject result (A–E).

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