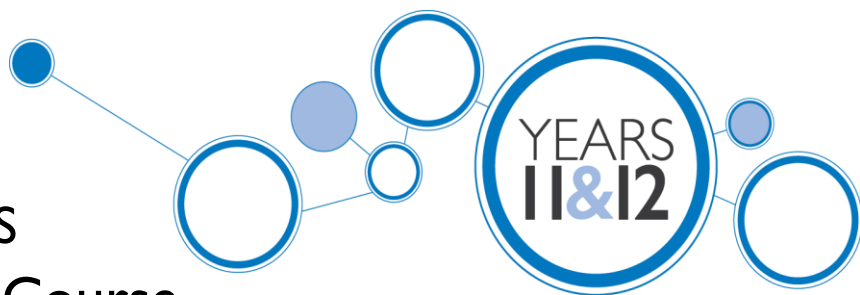


ENGLISH FOUNDATIONS

Guide to the New TASC Course



The new English Foundations level 2 course is nationally comparable with all Australian jurisdictions where senior secondary Australian Curriculum: English has been implemented. All elements of Australian Curriculum: English Units 1 and 2 are contained in this course.

Teachers will continue to have the flexibility to make decisions about the sequence of learning, the emphasis to be given to particular areas of content and any adjustments required, based on the needs, interests and abilities of their students.

WHAT IS SIMILAR?

Students will continue to:

- Study contemporary language, literacy, media and literature from Australia
- Use language in a range of contexts to shape and make meaning
- Respond to and compose analytical and imaginative texts
- Study a range of different types of texts
- Develop high-level skills in oral and written responses, producing original and authentic texts
- Reflect on and develop their individual and collaborative skills
- Critically analyse and interpret the ways communications work in the modern world
- Explore and investigate text construction and text reception in intellectual and challenging way

WHAT IS DIFFERENT?

- Course content builds sequentially on the knowledge and skills developed in the foundation to year 10 English curriculum
- Course standards are nationally comparable
- An emphasis on explicit teaching of language and literacy knowledge and skills through formative assessment
- An Ideas and issues study with three electives: Belonging, Change and Discovery

- An negotiated study exploring how meaning is made in particular text
- Cultural representation study with three electives: Get Animated, Australian Stories and Current Affairs Reporting
- A study of the language of persuasion with four electives: Truth and documentary, speeches, media and advertising and the language of war and terror.

HOW DOES THE COURSE CATER FOR ALL STUDENTS?

- It is inclusive of the learning needs of all students.
- Particular advice about supporting students with need will be included in online support material.
- English Foundations Level 2 provides a pathway to English Level 3, English Literature Level 3 and English Writing Level 3.

WHAT SUPPORT IS PROVIDED?

- A teaching and learning supplement designed to support teachers new to or returning to teaching this course.
- An online VLE Frontier room.
- Professional Learning Working Groups to support course implementation.
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- Advice on programming (scope and sequence documentation).