

Pattern of study for the Higher School Certificate

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To qualify for the Higher School Certificate students must satisfactorily complete a Preliminary pattern of study comprising at least 12 units and an HSC pattern of study comprising at least 10 units. Both patterns must include:

- at least six units from Board Developed Courses;
- at least two units of a Board Developed Course in English (English Studies Content Endorsed Course satisfies the pattern of study English requirement);
- at least three courses of two units value or greater (either Board Developed or Board Endorsed Courses); and
- at least four subjects.

To satisfy pattern of study requirements for the Higher School Certificate a student may count a maximum of six units from courses in Science in each study pattern.

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Science courses	Pattern of study requirement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Biology ● Chemistry ● Earth and Environmental Science ● Physics ● Senior Science. 	<p>A student may count a maximum of six Preliminary units and six HSC units from these courses in each study pattern.</p> <p>(See: ACE 8011 Exclusions for HSC Courses for Preliminary Senior Science exclusions)</p>
Senior Science HSC	<p>Students must have satisfactorily completed the Preliminary course in Senior Science or Biology or Chemistry or Physics or Earth and Environmental Science.</p> <p>In the HSC study pattern Senior Science can be studied in combination with Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Science or Physics.</p>