Subject name English

Subject code ENG (General subject)

Additional Subject fee Nil

Prerequisites Minimum C English

Course Overview

In Senior, we will be offering four QCAA English learning area subjects: Essential English, English, EAL English and Literature. These subjects share common features that include the continuing development of students' knowledge, understanding and skills in listening, speaking, reading, viewing, designing and writing. Differences between the subjects lie in the emphasis on how language and skills are developed and the situations in which they are applied.

You can choose to study more than one English subject for the Year 10 Semester 2 program. For example, you can choose to study both English and Literature but you cannot study EAL English and another English subject.

This subject prepares students for the senior English subject. A Sound Achievement in English is a prerequisite for most university courses.

The subject English focuses on the study of both literary texts and non-literary texts, including media texts, developing students as independent, innovative and creative learners and thinkers

Course Outline

Term 3 - Survival

Students engage in a variety of activities (including explicit teaching of the cognitions analyse, justify and evaluate) to explore the key concept of survival and its related messages. Students will also engage in activities that deconstruct the choices made by text creators to create a representation of survival. Students read and engage with analytical responses with conversational tone that can be used as models for their own writing.

Term 4 - Issues in Literature

Students will engage with a wide variety of text genres and topics that will explore the changing nature of literature and communication in modern society. They will examine topics such as censorship/banning of texts, AI or fake authors, and the creation and integration of new words. This will occur through a variety of text genres such as written texts, podcasts, social media clip, interviews etc – which students will then be able to create for the assessment.

Assessment

Term 3: Extended response - written response for a public audience

Term 4: Extended response - persuasive spoken response

Career Opportunities

English is a General subject suited to students who are interested in pathways beyond school that lead to tertiary studies, vocational education or work. A course of study in English promotes open-mindedness, imagination, critical awareness and intellectual flexibility — skills that prepare students for local and global citizenship, and for lifelong learning across a wide range of contexts.