

Year 7-10 Humanities

History, Geography, and Civics

Throughout the junior years students study a combination of History, Geography, and Civics.

These subjects develop student's awareness of our physical and complex, interconnected world. Students learn to critically analyse texts and data, complete independent research, to question, and to develop both their cultural awareness and empathy. They also learn how to evaluate and synthesise information and present new ideas in different written, spoken, and digital formats.



"History teaches us not to make the same mistakes!"

– Shekina La, Year 8

"Geography is good because it teaches us skills and about the world around us."

– Lachlan Nielsen, Year 7

"Humanities has helped us get better at analysing texts to find out information, check for bias, and whether information is actually credible or not."

– Agnes Stowers and Alicia Sefuiva, Year 8

Religion and Ethics

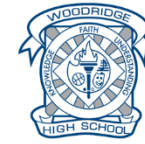
Applied Subject

Religion and ethics delves into the foundations of the world's religions and asks questions about morality, spirituality, and the ethics that define what is 'just' and 'righteous'.

In this exploration, students will gain an understanding of how personal beliefs, values, and spiritual identity are shaped and influenced by factors such as family, culture, gender, and race. Students are asked, "Who Am I?", "Who Are We?", and "Is There More Than This?"

Topics include the meaning of life, spirituality, purpose and destiny, life choices, moral and ethical issues, and justice.

In Year 11 students will specifically explore: religions of the world; Australian religious and spirituality; heroes and role models; as well as religion and contemporary culture. Students then go onto study concepts of good and evil; ethics and morality; peace and conflict; and social justice in Year 12.



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Social and Community Studies

Applied Subject

Social and Community Studies (SCS) helps students develop personal, interpersonal and citizenship skills. It allows students to become resilient, adaptive and to develop strategies to cope with the demands of everyday life.

SCS combines real world topics with real world assessment to prepare students for the world beyond school across eight unique modules.

SCS prepares students to be successful in the world of work through three of the Australian Government's Core Skills for Work:

- Navigating the world of work
- Interacting with others and
- Getting the work done



Legal Studies

General Subject

Legal Studies focuses on the interaction between society and the discipline of law. Students study the legal system, how it regulates activities and aims to protect the rights of individuals. Students study the foundations of law, the criminal justice process and the civil justice system. They critically examine issues of governance, explore contemporary issues of law reform and change, and consider Australian and international human rights issues.

Legal Studies provides students with essential skills for further study and the world of work.

Students develop skills of:

- Inquiry
- Critical thinking
- Problem-solving
- Reasoning to make informed and ethical decisions and recommendations
- Identifying and describing legal issues
- Exploring information and data
- Analysing & Evaluating

Legal Studies can establish a basis for further education and employment in the fields of law, law enforcement, criminology, justice studies and politics.

The knowledge, skills and attitudes students gain are transferable to all discipline areas and post-schooling tertiary pathways.

Modern History

General Subject

Studying history provides students with skills for further study and the workplace. It will also develop their historical, cultural, social, and political contexts to better understand cause and effect of worldwide events that form our 21st Century interconnected world.

Modern History equips students with a wide-range of transferrable and tangible skills to help set the foundation of their chosen career pathway.

Some of these skills include:

- An ability to interpret & analyse different types of evidence, including public statements, private records, visual materials & numerical data.
- An ability to form and communicate coherent written or spoken arguments based on the evidence.
- Critical thinking.
- Research and investigation.
- An ability to understand and make sense of a complex and ever-changing world.
- Cultural awareness and empathy.

By its very nature, studying history develops, enhances and perfects the transferrable skills that all employers are looking for.

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“ Understanding and collaborating with people is a key skill in the workplace, and humanities acts as a gateway for this.”