

GEOGRAPHY

ELECTIVE
SUBJECT

Year 9

Course Outline: The Geography elective is created from the Australian curriculum syllabus. The course is designed to inspire curiosity about the diversity of the world's places and reflecting on the interconnections between people, places and environments over time. Students will develop knowledge about, and respect of, places, people, cultures and environments throughout the world. Units include Biomes and Food Security and Geographies of Interconnections.

Learning Experiences:

- Locate, interpret, analyse and evaluate primary and secondary data.
 - Apply skills in research and report writing
 - Apply problem solving and decision-making skills
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Duration: 1 semester.

Assessment:

Assessment items focus on the skills developed from the learning experiences and will include:

- Reports
 - Investigations
 - Examinations
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Certification: School End of Semester Reports.

Commitment: In order to succeed in this subject, students must complete all classwork, including participation in discussions and work independently. Students will be self-motivated and complete homework and assessment as required.

Cost: Nil in addition to standard school fees.

Course Requirements: Stationery items as per book-list.

Links to Careers: Research scientist, geologist, statistician, engineer, ecologist, data analyst, consultant, urban and environmental design and planning, surveyor, oceanographer.

Geography aims to encourage students to become informed and adaptable so they develop the skills required to interpret global concerns and make genuine and creative contributions to society. It contributes to their development as global citizens who recognise the challenges of sustainability and the implications for their own and others' lives.

CIVICS AND CITIZENSHIP

ELECTIVE
SUBJECT

Year 9

Course Outline: In Year 9, students further develop their understanding of Australia's federal system of government and how it enables change. Students investigate the features and jurisdictions of Australia's court system, including its role in applying and interpreting Australian law. They also examine global connectedness and how this is shaping contemporary Australian society and global citizenship

Learning Experiences:

- Ask questions and conduct research
 - Interpret and analyse sources
 - Use critical & creative thinking to find solutions to civic issues
 - Investigation key civic concepts including: active citizenship, democracy global citizenship, legal systems & identity and diversity
 - Participate in a mock political campaign and debate
 - Participate in a mock election
 - Become a lawyer for the lesson and argue a court case in front of a mock jury
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Duration: 1 year.

Units:

- Australian Government
 - The Court Room
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Assessment:

- Examination
 - Investigation
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Certification: School End of Semester Reports.

Commitment: In order to succeed in this subject, students must complete all classwork, homework and assessment as required.

Cost: Nil in addition to standard school fees.

Course Requirements: Access to technology (iPad or laptop).

Links to Careers: Public Service, Lawyer, Politician.

Civics and Citizenship will help you become and active and informed.