

WACE REQUIREMENTS 2021

WACE Requirements

Achievement of your WACE acknowledges that at the end of your compulsory schooling you have achieved or exceeded the required minimum standards in an educational program that has suitable breadth and depth.

To achieve a WACE you must satisfy the following:

General Requirements

- demonstrate a minimum standard of literacy and a minimum standard of numeracy based on the skills regarded as essential for individuals to meet the demands of everyday life and work in a knowledge-based economy. This may be demonstrated through NAPLAN or OLNA results
- complete a minimum of 20 units or equivalents as described below

Breadth and Depth

You will complete a minimum of 20 Course units or the equivalent. This requirement must include at least:

- a minimum of ten Year 12 units or the equivalent
- two completed Year 11 English units and one pair of completed Year 12 English units
- one pair of Year 12 Course units from each of List A (Arts /Languages/Social Sciences) and List B (Mathematics/Science/Technologies)

Achievement Standard

You will be required to achieve 14 C Grades (or equivalents, see below) in Year 11 and Year 12 units, including at least six C grades in Year 12 units (or equivalents). Unit equivalence can be obtained through Vocational Education and Training (VET) Programs and/or Endorsed Programs. The maximum unit equivalence available through these programs is eight units – four Year 11 units and four Year 12 units.

You may obtain unit equivalence as follows:

- up to four unit equivalents through completion of VET programs, **or**
- up to four unit equivalents through completion of endorsed programs

The amount of unit equivalence allocated to VET and an Endorsed Program is as follows:

VET Qualifications:

- Certificate I is equivalent to two Year 11 units
- Certificate II or Higher is equivalent to two Year 11 and two Year 12 units
- Certificate III or higher is equivalent to two Year 11 and four Year 12 units

Endorsed Programs:

- unit equivalence is identified on the Authority's approved list of Endorsed Programs

