



PREPARING FOR SENIOR

New QCE System

What qualifications am I working towards? ...

Senior Education Profile (SEP):

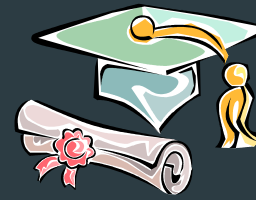
When you complete Year 12 successfully, you will receive:

- Statement of results - a transcript of your learning account
- QCE (Queensland Certificate of Education)

OR

- QCIA (Queensland Certificate of Individual Achievement)



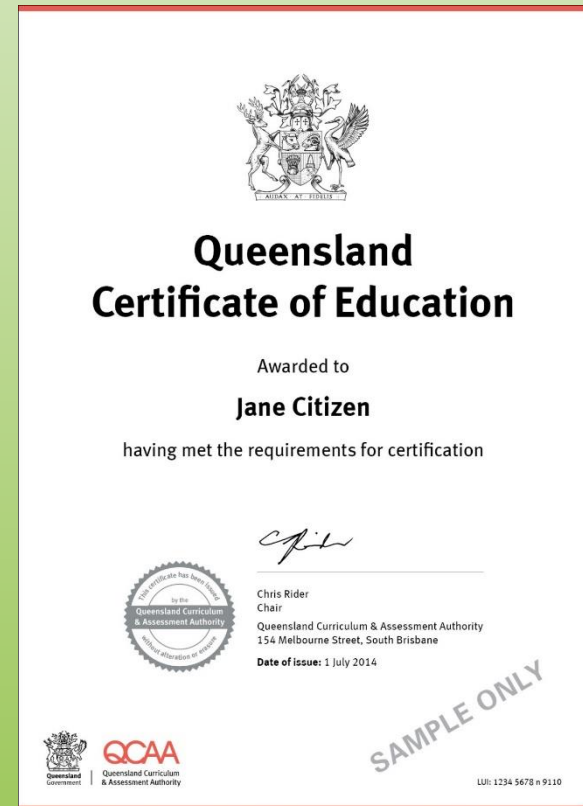


QCE - Queensland Certificate of Education



What is a QCE?

- ✓ The QCE is Queensland's senior secondary schooling qualification.



How does the QCE work?

- Set amount: 20 credits
- Set pattern:
 - 12 credits from completed Core courses
 - 8 credits from Core, Preparatory & Complementary courses
- Satisfactory completion
- Literacy & numeracy



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Set amount



- ▶ 20 credits from a range of learning options:
 - QCAA courses
 - General subjects
 - Applied subjects
 - Short Courses
 - Senior External Examination syllabuses
 - Vocational Education and Training (VET) certificates or qualifications
 - Other recognised studies

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Set pattern – Core courses

► 12 credits from completed Core courses:



Set
pattern

Course	Credits per course
QCAA General subjects and Applied subjects	up to 4
QCAA General Extension subjects	up to 2
QCAA General Senior External Examination subjects	4
Certificate II qualifications	up to 4
Certificate III and IV qualifications (includes traineeships)	up to 8
School-based apprenticeships	up to 6
Recognised studies categorised as Core	credit varies

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Set pattern – Preparatory courses



Maximum of 4 credits from:

Course	Credits per course
QCAA Short Courses <ul style="list-style-type: none">• QCAA Short Course in Literacy• QCAA Short Course in Numeracy	1
Certificate I qualifications	up to 3
Recognised studies categorised as Preparatory	credit varies

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Set pattern – Complementary courses



Course	Credits per course
QCAA Short Courses <ul style="list-style-type: none">QCAA Short Course in Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander LanguagesQCAA Short Course in Career Education	1
University subjects (while enrolled at a school)	up to 4
Diplomas and Advanced Diplomas (while enrolled at a school)	up to 8
Recognised studies categorised as Complementary	credit varies

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Set standard

- ▶ QCE credits are accrued when the set
- ▶ standard for each subject/course has been met.
- ▶ Depending on the course, that may be:
 - satisfactory completion
 - grade of C or better
 - competency or qualification completion
 - pass or equivalent



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Literacy & numeracy options

- QCAA General or Applied English/Mathematics subjects
- QCAA Short Course in Literacy/Numeracy
- Senior External Examination in a QCAA English/Mathematics subject
- International Baccalaureate examination in approved English/Mathematics subjects
- Recognised studies listed as meeting literacy/numeracy requirements

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Literacy &
numeracy

ATAR - An Overview ...

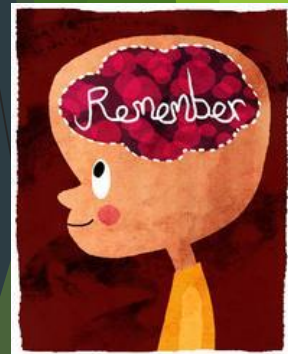


Key points to note:

- **New way to rank students** who wish to apply for university after school:
 - ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank)
 - QTAC (Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre) calculates and issues the ATAR
- **Subject names:** General Subjects and Applied subjects
- **Assessment in your subjects:**
 - General subjects (4 assessments count towards your final grade in each subject)
 - 3 items will be internal (developed by our school)
 - 1 item will be external (set and marked by QCAA - Queensland Curriculum & Assessment Authority)
 - external item will count for 50% of your overall subject result in Maths and Science subjects (will be held on the same day in all schools across the state) or 25% in most other general subjects
 - internal items will count for 75% of your overall subject result

What is an ATAR? ...

- The **ATAR** or Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank is the number which determines a student's entry into university.
- It is the number scored by an individual is the percentage of students they 'beat' on the higher school certificate.
- It's a number between 0.00 and 99.95 with increments of 0.05.
- The ATAR is commonly used in other states and territories.



3 Pathway options...



ATAR Pathway:

- ✓ Best pathway for students who:
 - ❑ are achieving mostly 'A' and 'B' results in Year 10 subjects
 - ❑ wish to go **directly** to University on finishing Year 12
 - ❑ able to commit to at least 2.5 hrs of homework/study every night

ATAR (TAFE/Uni) Pathway:

- ✓ Best pathway for students who:
 - ❑ are achieving mostly 'C' results in Year 10 subjects
 - ❑ wish to go to University after completing a Diploma on finishing Year 12

NON-ATAR Pathway:

- ✓ Best pathway for students who:
 - ❑ are achieving mostly 'C' results in Year 10 subjects
 - ❑ wish to do an apprenticeship/traineeship or get a job during or after Year 12

What must I study to be eligible for an ATAR? ...

At Cav Road in Year 11 you must choose:

✓ 6 subjects in total

✓ An English subject:

- English
- English as an Additional Language (EALD)
- Essential English

✓ A Maths subject

- General Mathematics
- Mathematical Methods
- Specialist Mathematics
- Essential Mathematics



What can I study? ...

A wide variety of subjects:

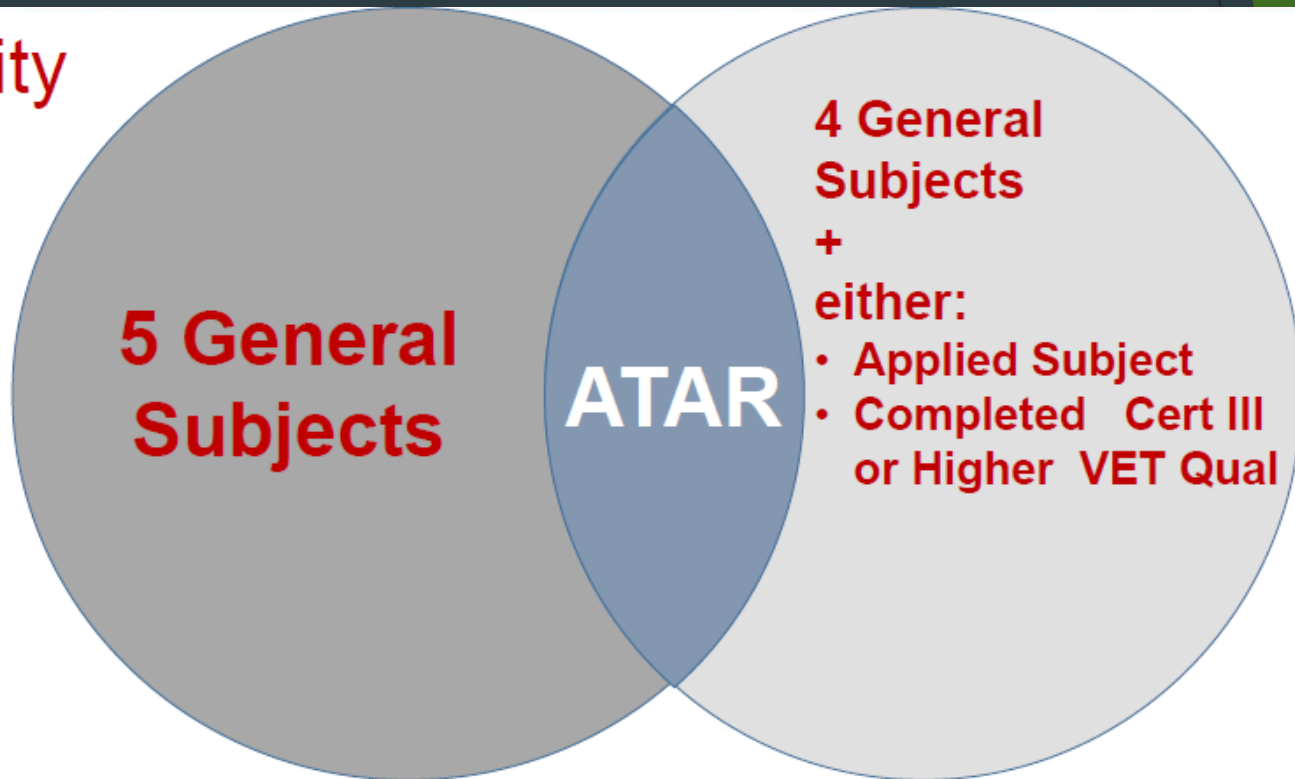
- ✓ QCAA General Subjects
- ✓ QCAA Applied Subjects
- ✓ VET (Vocational Education and Training) courses
- ✓ School-based apprenticeships and traineeships
- ✓ University subjects completed whilst at school
- ✓ Workplace learning
- ✓ Other certificates and awards eg. AMEB or Duke of Edinburgh Program -
AMEB no longer contributes to adjustment for Universities



To be eligible for an ATAR, you will choose subjects according to a 'pattern' and must pass an English subject.

What must I study to be eligible for an ATAR? ...

Eligibility



Examples of ATAR study patterns ..



- English
- Mathematical Methods
- Specialist Mathematics
- Physics
- Chemistry
- Biology



- Essential English
- General Mathematics
- Accounting
- Modern History
- Japanese
- Music

- English
- Dance
- Drama
- Visual Art
- Essential Mathematics
- AQF Certificate III in Business



How do I choose the right pathway? ...

Consider:

- Your **ability to be successful in your subjects** (don't choose ATAR if you are not suited to its requirements)
- **What are you are good at** - like academic study OR a more 'hands on'
- **Trying work experience** in your holidays this year to 'try out' the type of work you are considering as a career (see Mrs Anderson in K16 to organise this)
- **DON'T do what your friends are doing!** - they may be totally different to you (they will still be your friend even if you are on different pathways)
- **ALL PATHWAYS are EQUAL** - ATAR is NOT better than NON-ATAR!



How do I choose the right subjects? ...

Choose your subjects VERY CAREFULLY!

You should choose subjects that:

- you enjoy,
- you are good at, and
- are prerequisites for the courses you want to apply - please see here <https://www.qtac.edu.au/atar-my-path/my-path>



Choosing to study 'easy' or 'hard' subjects will not help you get a better ATAR!

You will get a better ATAR by performing WELL in your subjects!

Note: You WILL NOT be able to change subjects AFTER TERM 3 YEAR 11 (for QCE)



Find out more ...

✓ Useful websites:

<https://myfuture.edu.au/>

- ❑ guides you through activities to help you explore your career.

<https://myqce.qcaa.qld.edu.au>

a career information service provided by the QCA and provides links to other useful sites. It also allows you to plan and track your QCE.

www.qcaa.qld.edu.au

- ❑ provides a wide range of information such as subjects offered by the QCAA, ATAR and QCE information. It is worthwhile to look at the various areas on this site.

www.qtac.edu.au

- ❑ follow the links from the 'ATAR and MyPath' menu option on the left hand menu. A number of useful information on planning ahead and ATAR.

www.trainandemploy.qld.gov.au

- ❑ Queensland's entry point to jobs, careers and training, apprenticeships and traineeships, and employment and training government assistance.

<http://www.australia.gov.au/information-and-services/jobs-and-workplace/career-information>

- ❑ a Federal government site with a range of career options, advice and links to useful sites.



How do I become eligible to study an ATAR pathway in Year 11??



- ✓ **Strive hard to achieve 'A's and 'B's this semester in ALL subjects**
- ✓ **If you have received a 'C' on your Semester 1 report, work hard with your teacher to improve it to a 'B' or better by end of Semester 2**
- ✓ **Investigate the courses you may want to study at university/TAFE – know the subject pre-requisites**
- ✓ **Be well informed about the ATAR and QCE requirements**

**CELEBRATE YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS
AND NEVER GIVE UP TRYING!!**



VET at Cav in 2022

What is VET?:

- VET provides pathways for all young people, including those who want to study at TAFE OR move into the world of work after completing Year 12.



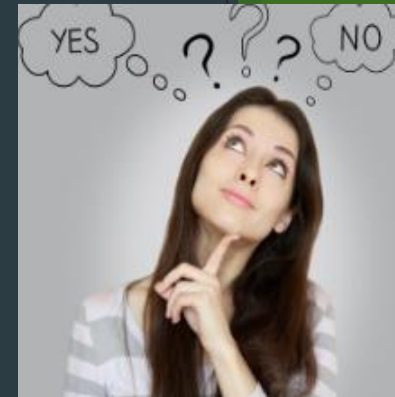
What are your options?

- ▶ School-based traineeships or apprenticeships
- ▶ TAFE courses
- ▶ VET certificates offered at Cav (on campus)
- ▶ VET certificates offered by external providers (off campus)



Things to consider...

- ▶ Attendance
- ▶ Career pathway
- ▶ Impact on timetable
- ▶ Ability to organise and keep up with school work
- ▶ Costs involved?
- ▶ **You need school support for SATs, TAFE and external courses.**



Why choose a SAT?

School-based apprenticeships and traineeships offer students:

- real life experience
- invaluable opportunity to learn whilst they earn
- introduction into the workplace and employer expectations
- valuable resume inclusions and referees
- a head start to their career
- ability to build an employment history before they leave school
- a pathway from school straight into work or a trade
- credits towards their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)
- a nationally recognised qualification on completion
- improved confidence and communication skills



School -based Apprenticeships and Traineeships requirements

- ▶ Trained in the workplace and with a training organisation
- ▶ Paid work (Most SATS require min 50 days per calendar year- or an average of 7.5 hours every 3 months)
- ▶ If under 18 years of age, the consent of a parent is required
- ▶ Can be continued after school

- ▶ **Need to check noticeboard at K16 and emails from Term 4 onwards.**



TAFE

- ▶ Check your emails for the handbook
- ▶ Application form from K16 (MUST apply through school)
- ▶ Be mindful that leaving an application until late in the year or next year can end in disappointment



VET at CAV (on campus)



▶ RTO = Cavendish Road SHS

- Cert II Visual Art
- Cert II Music Industry
- Cert II in Skills for Work and Vocational Pathways

▶ RTO = TAFE

- Cert II Furniture Making Pathways
- Cert II Engineering Pathways
- Cert III Engineering (Technical)



▶ RTO = Binnacle

- Cert III Business
- Cert III Fitness



Other Programs (may be on offer - subject to change)

Qld Government:

- AccelR8- Light or Heavy Vehicle
- AllevE8- Aged CareBuild8- Construction
- GenR8 - Transport/Logistics
- MarIN8- Kitchen Excellence Program
- StyL8- Hair and Beauty Services



Others:

- Cert II Aircraft Line Maintenance - Aviation Australia
- Cert II Health Support - Axiom College
- Cert II Logistics/Warehousing - Axiom College



QCE Credits Covered

	QCE Points
School-based traineeships - Certificate II or III qualifications that include on-the-job training.	Completed traineeships contribute 4 credits for Certificate II and up to 8 credits for Certificate III qualifications
School-based apprenticeships include a VET Certificate III qualification.	Students will complete 30% of competencies while enrolled at school. These competencies can contribute up to 2 credits towards the QCE. In addition, an on-the-job component of 50 days (375 hours) completed each 12 months – or for Electrotechnology a minimum of 80 days (600 hours) completed each 12 months – can contribute up to 4 credit points (2 per year) towards core requirements for QCE.
Certificate Courses (Tafe or other provider)	Dependent on Cert chosen Cert 1 Construction - 3 points Cert 2 Various - 4 Cert 3 Various - 5 to 8 Credits

Which students does VET most suit ...

▶ Those who want to get an apprenticeship/traineeship



▶ Those who want to do further study at TAFE after Year 12 (Diploma/Bachelor entry to university)



▶ Those who are NOT choosing an ATAR program for direct university entry



Year 11 & 12 - How to succeed...

Start Year 11 on the right foot by ...

- ✓ commit yourself to study and doing homework -
meet **ALL** deadlines for assessment in **ALL** subjects!
- ✓ set up a productive study area at home and use it!
- ✓ do your weekly **time management plans** and **FOLLOW** them! (These can be found in your study planner)
- ✓ set realistic goals for each term and reward yourself when you have achieved them
- ✓ work very closely with your teachers in your subjects to pass every unit in Year 11 and Year 12
- ✓ attend free school tutoring for your subjects after school

