

### 3. ENGLISH & MEDIA STUDIES

ENGLISH

LEVEL 1

1ENGL

**Requirements for entering the course:**

**FEE: Nil**

Passing at least 50% of assessments in Year 10.

This course is made up of internally assessed Achievement and Unit Standards and externally assessed Achievement Standards. It involves developing skills in Creative and Formal Writing, Responding to Literature, Researching Information on a given topic, a Media Presentation and Delivering a Prepared Speech.

**COMPULSORY SECTION**

*The Compulsory section of the course is 15 Level 1 Credits*

**OPTIONAL SECTION**

*The optional section of the course can generate 6 Level 1 Credits*

ENGLISH

LEVEL 2

2ENGL

**Requirements for entering the course:**

**FEE: Nil**

15 Credits at NCEA Level 1, or with the approval of the HOD English.

The reading, writing and research literacy skills focused on at Level 1 English are developed in this course. The Extended, Short, Visual and Unfamiliar Texts are externally assessed, whilst Creative and Formal Writing, Research and Oral Presentations are assessed internally. Some alternative unit standards may be used.

*Covers 9 internal and 12 external Achievement Standard Level 2 Credits*

ENGLISH

LEVEL 3

3ENGL

**Requirements for entering the course:**

**FEE: Nil**

16 Credits at NCEA Level 2 or with the approval of the HOD English.

Level 3 English is made up of three internally assessed Achievement Standards and four externally assessed Achievement Standards. The course consists of Creative Writing, Responses to a Written Text, Shakespearean Drama and Visual Text, Preparation and Delivery of a Speech and a Research Project presented in a written form.

*Covers 12 internal and 12 external Achievement Standard Level 3 Credits*

ALTERNATIVE  
ENGLISH

LEVEL 1

1ENGA  
1ENGAG

**Requirements for entering the course:**

**FEE: Nil**

Selected by the HOD based on year 10

This course is designed to enable students to increase their knowledge of how language works and to provide skills in oral communication. This course is a combination of Unit Standards and Achievement Standards .

*This course can generate 17 Level 1 Credits*

**ALTERNATIVE  
ENGLISH****LEVEL 2****2ENGA****Requirements for entering the course:****FEE: Nil**

A pass in at least 50% of Level 1 (ENGA) English credits

This course is a thematic approach to the study of literature and related communication skills, **requiring substantial personal reading**. It gives students the chance to get the requisite tertiary entry level literacy credits in reading and writing. The course comprises four internally assessed Unit Standards, offering students several assessment opportunities throughout the year for each of the Unit Standards. Some alternative Achievement Standards may be used.

***Covers 14 internal Level 2 Unit Standard credits*****ALTERNATIVE  
ENGLISH****LEVEL 2****2ENGB****Requirements for entering the course:****FEE: Nil**

Year 13 students who have not obtained literacy at Level 2

This course is specifically designed for **Level 3 students** who need to obtain the requisite Level 2 literacy credits for entry into tertiary study. It is an entirely internally assessed programme comprising a range of **Level 2 credits** in reading, writing and presenting standards based on a thematic study. Students will be offered some flexibility within the programme, and some additional Level 2 Achievement Standards may be offered.

***Covers a minimum of 15 internally assessed Unit and Achievement Standard credits at Level 2*****MEDIA STUDIES****LEVEL 3****3MEST****Requirements for entering the course:****FEE: Nil**

Students should have achieved at least 12 Credits in Level 2 English, or the approval of the Teacher in Charge, Media Studies.

The course aims to give students the tools to become critically aware of media processes and the way the media influences today's society. The production of texts, using video technology, is also an important part of the course. The course helps to prepare students for careers in the media industry (e.g. radio, television, film, journalism, advertising, marketing) and for tertiary level courses in media studies.

***Covers 16 internal and 8 external Achievement Standard Level 3 Credits*****ESOL****LEVEL 1****1ESOL****Requirements for entering the course:****FEE: Nil**

This course is designed for students who speak English as a Second Language. There are no prerequisites.

However, students should purchase a bi-lingual dictionary (non-electronic).

The aims of this course are:

- Preparation for Level 1 Literacy
- Improved speaking and listening skills
- Increased knowledge of New Zealand idiomatic usage
- Development of formal reading and writing skills

Students will be entered for courses which qualify for NCEA Literacy Level 1

*This course can generate 32 Unit Standard Credits (8 at Level 1 and 24 at Level 2)*

ESOL (Senior English as an Alternative Language)	LEVEL 1	1SLAN
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**Requirements for entering the course:**

This course is designed for students who speak English as a Second Language. There are no prerequisites.

**FEE: Nil**

However, students should purchase a bi-lingual dictionary (non-electronic).

The aims of this course are:

- Additional language skills for ESOL students already doing another ESOL class.
- Improved speaking and listening skills.
- Increased knowledge of New Zealand idiomatic usage.
- Development of formal reading and writing skills.

Students will not be entered for courses that qualify for NCEA Literacy Level 1

*This course can generate 30 Unit Standard Credits (10 at Level 1 and 20 at Level 2)*

ESOL	LEVEL 2	2ESOL
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**Requirements for entering the course:**

This course is designed for students who speak English as a Second Language. There are no prerequisites.

**FEE: Nil**

However, students should purchase a bi-lingual dictionary (non-electronic).

The aims of this course are:

- Preparation for Level 2 Literacy required in Year13 ESOL.
- Improved speaking and listening skills.
- Increased knowledge of New Zealand idiomatic usage.
- Development of formal reading and writing skills.

Students will not be entered for courses that qualify for NCEA Literacy Level 2 (but will start preparing for them this year).

*This course can generate 30 Credits (15 at Level 2 and 15 at Level 3)*

ESOL	LEVEL 3	3ESOL
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**Requirements for entering the course:**

This course is designed for students who speak English as a Second Language. There are no prerequisites.

**FEE: Nil**

However, students should purchase a bi-lingual dictionary (non-electronic).

The aims of this course are:

- Preparation for Level 2 Literacy required for university entrance.
- Improved confidence in speaking and listening skills.
- Development of writing skills for academic purposes.
- Development of good strategies for academic studies.

Students will be entered for courses that qualify for NCEA Literacy Level 2

*This course can generate up to 24 Unit Standard Credits (9 at Level 2 and 15 at Level 3)*