#### **Visual Arts**

2 Units for each of Year 11 and Year 12	Exclusions: Nil
Board Developed Course	

#### **Course Description:**

Visual Arts involves students in the practices of art making, art criticism and art history. Students develop their own artworks culminating in a body of work in the Year 12 Course that reflects students' knowledge and understanding about the practice and which demonstrates their ability to resolve a conceptually strong work. Students critically investigate works, critics, historians and artists from Australia as well as those from other cultures, traditions and times.

The Year 11 Course is broad, while the Year 12 Course provides for deeper, increasingly more independent investigations.

While the course builds on Visual Arts courses in Stages 4 and 5, it also caters for students with more limited experience in Visual Arts.

## **Main Topics Covered:**

# **Year 11 Course Learning Opportunities focus on:**

- The nature of practice in art making, art criticism and art history through different investigations.
- The role and function of artists' artwork, the world and audiences in the art world.
- The frames and how students might develop their own informed points of view.
- How students may develop meaning and focus and interest in their work.
- Building understandings over time through various investigations and working in different forms.

# Year 12 Course Learning Opportunities focus on:

- How students may develop their own informed points of view in increasingly more independent ways using the Frames.
- How students may develop their own practice of art making, art criticism, and art history applied to selected areas of interest.
- How students may learn about the relationships between artist, artwork and audience within the art world.

# Particular Course Requirements:

#### Year 11 Course

- Artworks in at least 2 forms and use of a process diary.
- A broad investigation of ideas in art criticism and art history.

#### Year 12 Course

- Development of a body of work and use of a process diary.
- A minimum of 5 Case Studies (4-10 hours each).
- Deeper and more complex investigations of ideas in art criticism and art history.

## **Assessment: Year 12 Course Only**

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External Assessment	Weighting	Internal Assessment	Weighting
A written exam paper	50	Development of the body of	50
Submission of a body of work	50	work and process diary	
		Art criticism and art history	50
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