

FOUNDATION STUDIES

Study Plans for Students

Example Study Plans for Students

The following are course plans for students studying in foundation studies.

There are three streams available

BUSINESS, HUMANITIES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES

FOUNDATION STUDIES - BUSINESS, HUMANITIES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STREAM

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Example Study Plans for Students

The following is a course plan for students studying in the Foundation Studies Business, Humanities and Information technology Stream

FOUNDATION STUDIES – BUSINESS, HUMANITIES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY							
Two Trimesters	<p>To complete Foundation Studies you need to pass 4 Trimester 1 subjects, Independent learning 1 and 4 Trimester 2 subjects and Independent Learning 2.</p> <p>Any students wanting Bachelor of Business or similar degrees should select Accounting.</p> <p>Students must enrol in either all Class 1 or all Class 2 only</p> <p>You choose your subjects based on the stream you are doing.</p>						
	Stage 1	LFS00AS1 (Core)	LFS00EM1 (Core)	LFS00IN1 (Required)	LFS00AC1	LFS00EC1	
		Academic Communication 1	Essential Maths 1	Independent Learning 1	Accounting 1	Economics 1	
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	Stage 2	LFS00AS2 (Core)	FS00EM2 (Core)	LFS00IN2 (Required)	LFS00AC2	LFS00EC2	LFS00MD2
		Academic Communication 2	Essential Maths 2	Independent Learning 2	Accounting 2	Economics 2	Media 2
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Pathways

FOUNDATION STUDIES – BUSINESS, HUMANITIES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
Completion of Foundation Studies BUSINESS, HUMANITIES AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY Allows entry into Diploma of Business, Diploma of Media and Communication or Diploma of Information Technology Or 1 st Year of the following		
Bachelor of Arts	Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science	Bachelor of Information Technology
Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Health Sciences	Bachelor of Business (Event Management)	Bachelor of Politics, Philosophy and Economics
Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Computer Science	Bachelor of Business (Human Resource Management)	Bachelor of Outdoor and Sustainability Education
Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Global Studies	Bachelor of Business (Sport Management)	Bachelor of Laws (Hons)
Bachelor of Creative Arts	Bachelor of Business (Marketing)	Bachelor of Laws (Hons)/Bachelor of Arts
Bachelor of Criminology	Bachelor of International Relations (Hons)	Bachelor of Laws (Honours)/Bachelor of Global Studies
Bachelor of Accounting	Bachelor of Business (Tourism and Hospitality)	Bachelor of Laws (Hons)/Bachelor of Science
Bachelor of Business	Bachelor of Commerce	Bachelor of Laws (Hons)/Bachelor of Media and Communication
Bachelor of Business (Accounting)		

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FOUNDATION STUDIES – ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE STREAM

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The following is a course plan for students studying in the Foundation Studies Engineering and Computer Science Stream

FOUNDATION STUDIES – ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE										
Two Trimesters	<p>To complete Foundation Studies you need to pass 4 Trimester 1 subjects, Independent learning 1 and 4 Trimester 2 subjects and Independent Learning 2. You choose your subjects based on the stream you are doing.</p> <p>Bachelor of Engineering must have Advanced Mathematics 2 and Physics 2</p> <p>Bachelor of Computer Science must have Advanced Mathematics 2.</p> <p>Students must enrol in either all Class 3 or all Class 4 only</p>									
	Stage A	LFS00AS1 (Core)	LFS00EM1 (Core)	LFS00IN1 (Required)	LFS00AM1	LFS00BY1	LFS00CY1	LFS00PY1	LFS00AC1	LFS00EC1
		Academic Communication 1	Essential Maths 1	Independent Learning 1	Advanced Maths 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)	Biology 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)	Chemistry 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)	Physics 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)	Accounting 1	Economics 1
	Stage B	LFS00AS2 (Core)	LFS00EM2 (Core)	LFS00IN2 (Required)	LFS00AM2	LFS00BY2	LFS00CY2	LFS00PY2	LFS00AC2	LFS00EC2
	Academic Communication 2	Essential Maths 2	Independent Learning 2	Advanced Maths 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	Biology 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	Chemistry 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	Physics 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	Accounting 2	Economics 2	Media 2

FOUNDATION STUDIES – ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

**Completion of Foundation Studies
ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE**

Allows entry into
Diploma of Engineering
Or 1st Year of the following

Bachelor of Computer Science

Bachelor of Civil Engineering (Honours)
Bachelor of Engineering Honours (Industrial)

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FOUNDATION STUDIES – HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES STREAM

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The following is a course plan for students studying in the Foundation Studies Health and Life Sciences stream

FOUNDATION STUDIES – HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES								
Two Trimesters	To complete Foundation Studies you need to pass 4 Trimester 1 subjects, Independent Learning 1 and 4 Trimester 2 subjects and Independent Learning 2. You choose your subjects based on the stream you are doing. Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) must have Advanced Mathematics 2 and Chemistry 2. Students must enrol in either all Class 3 or all Class 4 subjects only							
	Stage A	LFS00AS1 (Core)	LFS00EM1 (Core)	LFS00IN1 (Required)	LFS00AM1	LFS00BY1	LFS00CY1	LFS00PY1
		Academic Communication 1	Essential Maths 1	Independent Learning 1	Advanced Maths 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)	Biology 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)	Chemistry 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)	Physics 1 (Available Trimester 1 and 2 only)
	Stage B	LFS00AS2 (Core)	LFS00EM2 (Core)	LFS00IN2 (Required)	LFS00AM2	LFS00BY2	LFS00CY2	LFS00PY2
	Academic Communication 2	Essential Maths 2	Independent Learning 2	Advanced Maths 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	Biology 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	Chemistry 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	Physics 2 (Available Trimester 2 and 3 only)	

Pathways

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<p style="text-align: center;">Completion of Foundation Studies HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Allows entry into Diploma of Bioscience, Diploma of Health Science or Diploma of Psychology Or 1st Year of the following</p>

Bachelor of Agriculture	Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Health Sciences	Bachelor of Nursing
Bachelor of Animal and Veterinary Biosciences	Bachelor of Biomedical Science	Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) Must have Advanced Mathematics 2 and Chemistry 2
Bachelor of Biomedicine	Bachelor of Biological Sciences	Bachelor of Psychological Science
Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science	Bachelor of Exercise Science	Bachelor of Science
Bachelor of Prosthetics and Orthotics (Honours)	Bachelor of Health Sciences	Bachelor of Wildlife and Conservation Biology
Bachelor of Nutrition Science	Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Biomedicine	Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Science
Bachelor of Occupational Therapy (Honours)	Bachelor of Commerce /Bachelor of Health Sciences	Bachelor of Science (Honours) and Master of Nanotechnology
Bachelor of Orthoptics (Honours)	Bachelor of Health Information Management	Bachelor of Science (Wildlife and Conservation Biology)
Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours)	Bachelor of Nutrition Science	Bachelor of Dental Science (Honours)
Bachelor of Speech Pathology (Honours)	Bachelor of Human Services and Master of Social Work	Bachelor of Veterinary Nursing
Bachelor of Cybersecurity/Bachelor of Psychological Science	Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Psychological Science	

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LFS00AS1 Academic communication 1

Subject Overview

The main aims of the Academic Communication 1 course are the consolidation and extension of students' understanding of, and a bility to use, written and spoken English for the purposes of tertiary study. It will specifically extend language skills through thinking, reading, writing, speaking and listening. Students will be assessed on their ability to communicate ideas, feelings, observations and information effectively both in writing and orally.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
On-going assessment of reading, writing and listening skills referred to as Assessment Task _	Weekly	50%
Final Assessments: Part 1 - 20% and Part 2 - 30%	Week 13	50%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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Subject Overview

The main aims of the Academic Communication 2 subject are the consolidation and extension of students' understanding of, and ability to use, written and spoken English for the purposes of tertiary study. It will specifically extend language skills through thinking, reading, writing, speaking and listening. Students will be assessed on their ability to communicate ideas, feelings, observations and information effectively both in writing and orally. Students will be exposed to a wide range of text types from a variety of sources such as websites, academic journals, newspapers, magazine and television programmes, etc. Emphasis will be placed on helping students to question, interpret and critically analyse these texts. Students will use this in- depth analysis as the basis for their own writing, demonstrating the ability to integrate sources and synthesise ideas.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
On-going assessment of reading, writing, listening and presentation skills referred to as Assessment Task 1, 2 etc.	Weekly	50%
Final Text response 10% and Final assessment 40%	Week 13	50%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00AC1 Accounting 1

Subject Overview

Accounting is the process of recording, reporting, analysing and interpreting financial data and information which is then communicated to internal and external users of the information. It plays an integral role in the successful operation and management of a business.

This subject focuses on the financial recording, reporting and decision-making processes of a sole proprietor.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Tests (Five)	Weeks 3, 4, 6, 9 and 11	100%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00AC2 Accounting 2

Subject Overview

This subject builds on the concepts introduced in Accounting 1 with a focus on financial recording, reporting, and decision-making processes of a sole proprietor. Accounting is the process of recording, reporting, analysing and interpreting financial data and information which is then communicated to internal and external users of the information. It plays an integral role in the successful operation and management of a business.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Tests and group assessment	Weeks 3, 4, 6, 10 and 13	100%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00AM1 Advanced Mathematics 1

Subject Overview

The major objective of this course is to provide students with the necessary advanced mathematical knowledge and skills required to proceed to further studies in mathematics for entry to tertiary studies in an engineering/mathematical field.

The main topics studied include graphs and polynomials, exponential and logarithmic functions, circular functions, calculus and probability. The appropriate use of technology in regards to graphical calculators is important to enhance students understanding of the concepts.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Six topic tests	Week 2, 4, 5, 7	70%
Assignment	Week 1	5%
Subject review quiz	Week 13	25%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00AM2 Advanced Mathematics 2

Subject Overview

The major objective of this course is to provide students with the necessary advanced mathematical knowledge and skills required to proceed to further studies in mathematics for entry to tertiary studies in an engineering/mathematical field.

The main topics studied include graphs and functions, calculus and continuous probability distributions. The appropriate use of technology in regards to graphical calculators is important to enhance students understanding of the concepts.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Four topic tests	Weeks 5, 7, 9 and 10	66%
Assignment	Week 1	9%
Subject review Quiz	Week 13	25%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00BY1 Biology 1

Subject Overview

Foundation Studies Biology aims to provide students with the biological background necessary for tertiary studies in Health and the Sciences.

Biology 1 introduces students to the study of biology. Along with the content, students gain knowledge in biological language and the interpretation of data, along with practical applications gained in a laboratory setting.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Topic Tests (5)	Weeks 3, 4, 6, 8 and 11	68%
Practical Reports	Weeks 3, 6	7%
Subject review quiz	Week 12	25%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00BY2 Biology 2

Subject Overview

Foundation Studies Biology aims to provide students with the biological background necessary for tertiary studies in Health and the Sciences.

Biology 2 builds on the knowledge and skills of Biology 1. Along with the content, students gain knowledge in biological language and the interpretation of data, along with practical applications gained in a laboratory setting.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Topic Tests (5)	Weeks 3, 4, 6, 9 and 12	69%
Practical Reports	Weeks 7	6%
Subject review quiz	Week 13	25%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00CY1 Chemistry 1

Subject Overview

Foundation Studies Chemistry aims to provide students with the chemistry background necessary for tertiary studies in Engineering and the Sciences. The course covers the major principles of Chemistry and their application to Technology and Society.

Major areas of study include: Atomic Structure and the Periodic Table, Chemical Bonding, Types of Chemical Reaction and Quantitative Chemistry.

Practical classes are integral to the course. They aim to develop safe laboratory practice, and an understanding of the scientific method and associated experimental techniques. The experiments reinforce or introduce theoretical concepts covered in course work.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Topic Tests x 3	Weeks 3, 5 and 10	22.5%
Activities and laboratory exercises	Ongoing	20%
Online learning activities (OWL)	Ongoing	10%
Final subject assessment	Week 13	47.5%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00CY2 Chemistry 2

Subject Overview

Foundation Studies Chemistry aims to provide students with the chemistry background necessary for tertiary studies in Engineering and the Sciences. The course covers the major principles of Chemistry and their application to Technology and Society.

Major areas of study include: Solutions, Acids and Bases, Redox, Electrochemistry, Thermochemistry, Rates and Equilibrium, and Organic Chemistry.

Practical classes are integral to the course. They aim to develop safe laboratory practice, and an understanding of the scientific method and associated experimental techniques. The experiments undertaken should reinforce or introduce theoretical concepts covered in course work.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Topic Test x 4	Weeks 3, 5, 8, 11	30%
Laboratory exercises	Ongoing	20%
Online learning activities (OWL)	Ongoing	10%
Critical assessment	Weeks 7 and 13	40%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00EC1 Economics 1

Subject Overview

Economics involves a study of how a nation organizes to provide the material things which its population needs to live. It involves a study of markets, producing, buying and selling goods and services and allocating resources (microeconomics). It also involves a study of how a nation's economic system operates, and how its performance can be measured and monitored (macroeconomics). This subject introduces students to economics terms, concepts and theories and provides an opportunity to research an economic issue.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Tests x 4	Weeks 4, 7, 9, 12	80%
Research	Week 10	20%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00EC2 Economics 2

Subject Overview

This subject builds on the fundamental economic knowledge and concepts introduced in Economic 1. These concepts/skills are utilized to analyse economic systems, operation of markets and the Australian economy. The interaction between economic agents (firms, individuals, governments, financial, overseas sectors) is further developed.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Tests x 5	Week 3, 4, 7, 13	100%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00EM1 Essential Mathematics 1

Subject Overview

The major objective of this course is to provide students with the necessary mathematical knowledge and skills required to proceed to further studies in mathematics for both entry to tertiary studies and for general life and employability skills.

The main topics studied include financial arithmetic, statistics, geometry, graphs and matrices. Technology including graphics calculators and spreadsheet software are used to enhance the learning process.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Five topic tests (Test One, etc)	Weeks 2, 3, 6, 9, 11	70%
Subject review quiz	Week 13	30%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00EM2 Essential Mathematics 2

Subject Overview

The major objective of this course is to provide students with the necessary mathematical knowledge and skills required to proceed to further studies in mathematics for both entry to tertiary studies and for general life and employability skills.

The main topics studied include statistics, number patterns, graphs and relations and business related mathematics. Technology including graphics calculators and spreadsheet software are used to enhance the learning process.

Skills gained should include the ability to define and explain key terms and concepts, obtain skills which can be applied to solve simple problems, and extrapolate these skills to solve given practical situations which may involve analysis, problem solving, modelling or investigative techniques.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Five topic tests (Test One, etc)	Weeks 3, 4, 6, 9, 11	5 x 8% = 40%
Final Examination	Week 13	25%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00PY1 Physics 1

Subject Overview

Foundation Studies Physics aims to provide students with the physics background necessary for tertiary studies in Engineering and the Sciences. The course aims to improve the scientific literacy of students with experimentation, questioning and analysis and introduces them to the major areas of study which includes kinematics, light, waves and electricity.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Topic Tests x 6	Weeks 3, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12	100%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00PY2 Physics 2

Subject Overview

Foundation Studies Physics aims to provide students with the physics background necessary for tertiary studies in Engineering and the Sciences. The course aims to improve the scientific literacy of students with experimentation, questioning and analysis and introduces them to the major areas of study which includes work, energy and collisions, curvilinear motion, electromagnetism, light and matter.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Topic Tests x 5	Weeks 3, 4, 7,10 and 13	100%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00MD2 Media 2

Subject Overview

Media 2 aims to provide students with an understanding of film or television or radio production and the elements involved. Both film, television and radio programs will be studied to analyse the narrative organisation of the film/program. Understanding will also come from developing practical skills of the design and production process. The subject will also examine the role and the influence of the media in today's society.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Mise-en-scene analysis	Week 4	10%
Media production	Week 10	30%
Group Presentation	Week 12	20%
Final assessment	Week 13	40%

In order to pass this subject, students are required to achieve an overall result of at least 50%. In addition, students are required to achieve a minimum result of 50% in the end of semester examination component of assessment.

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LFS00IN1 & 2 Independent Learning 1 and 2

Subject Overview

Independent Learning is a supervised 2-hour weekly session. It is designed to give students time to complete additional work from other subjects; help promote the acquisition of good study skills; and to improve English language skills by encouraging group and informal discussions. Various seminars may be introduced from time-to-time such as “Aussie Slang” or “Creating a Resume”. It also provides students with an additional point of reference with a teacher mentor.

Assessment Type	When	Weighting
Attendance	-	100%

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