



NAENAE COLLEGE

Year 10 Options

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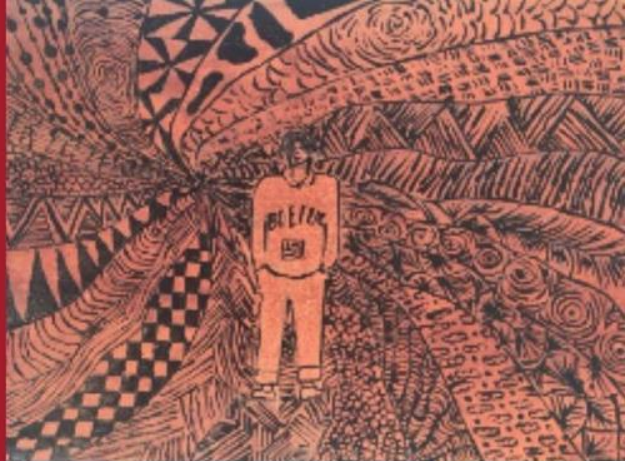
Ready to choose your options for next year?

This resource is designed to help you understand the options available at Naenae College for Year 10 students.

Some of these options are the building blocks for future subjects you can take in NCEA Level 1 and beyond.

You want to ensure you choose subjects that connect to your interests, skills, and possible pathways after college. Choosing subjects based on what your friends are doing might not be wise.

If you wish to talk to someone about your options, you can speak to the teachers of these subjects.



Year 10 Options Timetable Structure

Year 10 students will do four half-year courses. This is an example of how option classes are structured for all Year 10 students. There are no compulsory courses for options like in Year 9.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Option A	Option A	Option C	Option C
Option B	Option B	Option D	Option D

Year 10 Option Subjects

Read the course description for each option over the following slides. You will log on to the Portal to choose your options. See your LAR teacher for more details on how to do this.

- **Anthropology**
- **Art**
- **Design & Photography**
- **Digital Technology**
- **Drama**
- **Food Studies**
- **Gagana Sāmoa**
- **Hard Materials Technology**
- **High Performance Sports**
- **Media Studies**
- **Music**
- **Outdoor Education**
- **Sculpture**
- **Services Academy**
- **Te Reo Māori**



Anthropology

This option is about exploring ancient civilizations on earth and how these civilizations have influenced aspects of modern society, such as religion, law and politics, art and architecture, engineering and technology. You will have the opportunity to study the history and culture of an ancient civilization of your choice.

We will learn to:

- Describe the customs and ways of life of ancient civilisations.
- Analyse documents, artifacts, and stories to piece together an understanding of studied civilisations.
- Explain the effects of major events and key people from ancient history on the world today.
- Develop critical thinking skills by examining historical evidence and forming reasoned conclusions.
- Carry out an investigation on a research topic of our choosing.



Art

This course aims to develop and extend practical Art making skills from Year 9. We explore wet and dry media techniques to produce tone using a range of media, through mark making using watercolour, indian ink, paint and other dry media. Students get to explore their identity through cultural and personal imagery, using Skateboard Art to tell their story.

We will learn to:

- Use marking-making and blending techniques effectively.
- Apply brush and wet media, and understand the effects of dark vs. light tones.
- Brainstorm and understand image representation, including iconography and symbolism.
- Understand the art-making process and practice patience as it takes time to improve.
- Produce balanced compositions in our artwork.

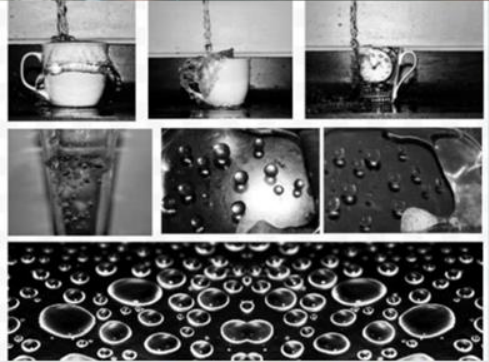


Design & Photography

This course will enable students to explore both Photography and Design to create digital works. You will learn a range of Photoshop and Camera skills to develop and visually communicate your ideas.

We will learn to:

- Use a digital camera and plan photo-shoots around photography conventions to tell a story.
- Apply the design process, from concept development to final artworks, to creatively solve a range of promotional product designs.
- Collaborate on projects such as logos, magazine covers, and various photographic challenges.
- Gain proficiency in Adobe suite programs, including Photoshop and Lightroom, along with file management and printing processes.
- Build essential skills for Year 11 Design and Photography.





Digital Technologies

We use Digital Technologies in work, play and to create new “stuff” for others to use. Students will use various software applications to design, develop and test various digital outcomes. These include web pages, computer games / stories, animations and databases.

We will learn to:

- Code a digital story/game using Scratch.
- Create web pages and animations.
- Manage data using a database.
- Being smart and safe on the internet.
- Understand how computers and digital data works.



Drama

Year 10 Drama builds on the performance skills from Year 9. You will develop creative thinking through scene studies and then use this knowledge to improve your storytelling skills in performances. You will then choose either performance or technology as the focus for the production and will work together to create a production.

We will learn to:

- Study a scene from a play and learn about themes, characters, setting, and the playwright.
- Apply Drama techniques, elements, and conventions through devised performance.
- Build on acting skills through scenes in a production.
- Design and then apply drama technology skills through a production.



Food Studies

This course will explore the food and cooking techniques of different cultures as a way to broaden the knowledge of learners understanding and skills in food and also as a way to reflect the multicultural character of the school. As well as increasing understanding of food safety, students will look at what fusion food is and then design and develop their own dish bringing together two cultures foods.

We will learn to:

- Understand how different cultures have contributed to the food we eat in New Zealand.
- Develop new skills in the kitchen, understand key parts of a recipe and know how to work safely and independently.
- Develop initial ideas and produce a final product.
- Understand some of the factors that may affect foods.