

NAENAE COLLEGE

Senior Course Options 2026



Discover. Decide. Succeed.

Welcome to the Senior Course Options guide for 2026. This guide introduces the subjects available to senior students, organised by Learning Area.

Some subjects are offered from NCEA Level 1 to Level 3, while others are available only at specific levels (Level 1 and 2 or Level 2 and 3).

Read the descriptions carefully to understand the course content, topics, skills and possible credits available.

As you consider your options, it's important to explore career pathways that align with your interests and abilities.

Discuss your choices with your LAR Teacher, Subject Teachers, whānau, parents or caregivers. You can also talk to relevant school staff, including your Whānau Head and HOD Careers, Ms Siencyn.

Choose subjects that match your skills and career goals. If you're uncertain about your future plans, keep your options broad.



Key contact people



Head of Careers & Pathways
Ms Siencyn

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Kia ora! My role is to work with you and your whānau to explore the world of career opportunities and to guide you in making informed decisions about your future. If you're considering university, vocational training, apprenticeships, or entering the workforce directly, I can provide you with the resources and support you need to succeed.

I also offer information on scholarships, work experience opportunities, and courses for earning credits. Don't worry if you're unsure about what you need advice on—we can work together to identify different pathways that align with your interests and goals.



Key contact people

At Naenae College, subjects are grouped into Learning Areas, each managed by a Head of Faculty or Department. The colour guide below will help you identify these areas and their leaders. Each Learning Area has specialist teachers who are knowledgeable in their subjects and can answer any questions you might have. If a specialist teacher is unavailable, the Head of Faculty (HOF) or Department (HOD) can also assist you.



English & Languages

HOF: Mr Laing



Mathematics

HOF: Ms Kim



Sciences

HOF: Mr Johnson



Social Sciences

HOF: Mrs Gaffney



Physical Education

HOF: Ms Shaw



Performing & Visual Arts

HOF: Mr Yeo



Technology

HOF: Mr Yeo



Careers & Pathways

HOD: Ms Siencyn

Learning Areas and Courses



English & Languages

English (including Māori & Pacific Voices), Literacy, English Language Learning
Gagana Sāmoa



Mathematics

Mathematics, Numeracy, Calculus, Statistics



Sciences

Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics



Social Sciences

Geography, History, Media Studies, Psychology, Sociology



Physical Education

Physical Education, Sports Studies, Services Academy



Performing & Visual Arts

Drama, Music, Pasifika Performing Arts, Te Ao Haka
Art (Painting), Design, Photography



Technology

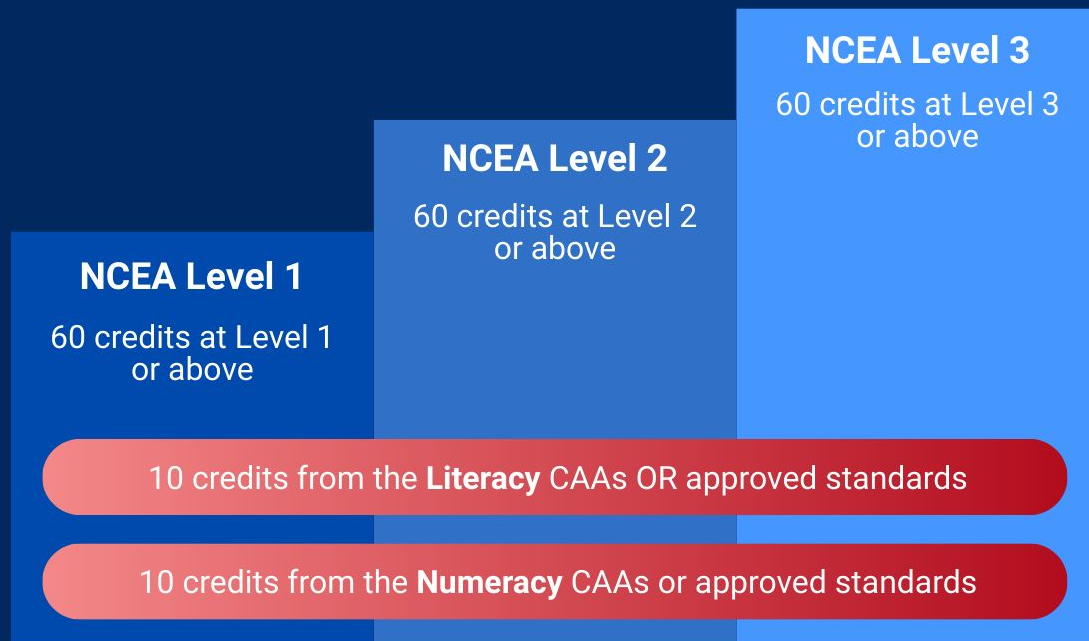
Digital Technologies, Hospitality, Hard Materials Technology



Careers & Pathways

Pathways to Employment, Gateway, Trades Academies

How to achieve NCEA



NCEA Endorsements

There are two types of endorsement:

Certificate endorsement

- At any level (Level 1-3)
- 50+ credits at Excellence = Excellence endorsement
- 50+ credits at Merit (or higher) = Merit endorsement

Course endorsement

- Awarded for 14+ credits in one course in a year, with at least 3 from internal and 3 from external assessments

University Entrance (UE)

Planning on going to university after Year 13?

You will need University Entrance (UE) to go directly from school to university. To be awarded UE, you will need all of the following:

- ✓ NCEA Level 3
- ✓ 14 credits in each of three approved subjects at Level 3
- ✓ UE Literacy – 10 credits at Level 2 or above (5 in reading, 5 in writing) in specified standards.
- ✓ UE Numeracy – 10 credits at Level 1 or above in specified standards.

Applying to universities with UE:

- Universities have their own requirements for admission to programmes.
- Check with the university you wish to attend what its requirements are.
- Universities often consider your Level 2 results when they make decisions, before Level 3 results are released.
- UE results are usually released at the end of January and universities you have applied to will get a notification of your results.

The more Merits and Excellences you get at Level 2, the better chances you will get into the course of your choice at university.

Choose courses that match your...



INTERESTS

- What courses do I enjoy on my timetable now?
- What courses am I interested in doing next year that I haven't done?
- What courses include activities I enjoy doing outside of school?

STRENGTHS

- What courses use skills I'm already confident in?
- What courses do others say I'm good at?
- Do the types of assessments in this course suit the way I work?

ASPIRATIONS

- Will the courses prepare me for further study or training?
- Will the courses open pathways to the kind of work I want?

CAREER PATHWAY

- Are these courses needed for the job or industry you're aiming for?
- Does it provide skills or knowledge valued in your chosen career?

Level 1 Courses



ENG100 English

LIT100 Literacy

ELL012 English Language Learning

SAM100 Gagana Sāmoa

MAT100 Mathematics

NUM100 Numeracy

SCI100 Science - Climate Change

ESC100 Science - Environmental
Science

GEO100 Geography

HIS100 History

MED100 Media Studies

PED100 Physical Education

SPS100 Sports Studies

SVCADY1 Services Academy

DRA100 Drama

MUS100 Music

PPA100 Pasifika Performing Arts

TAH100 Te Ao Haka

ART100 Art

DEP100 Design and Photography

DIT100 Digital Technologies

HOS100 Hospitality

TEC100 Hard Materials Technology

New courses for 2026

Level 2 Courses



ENG200 English

LIT200 Literacy

ELL234 English Language Learning

SAM200 Gagana Sāmoa

MAC200 Calculus

MAS200 Statistics

MAT200 Mathematics Internals

SCI200 Science

BIO200 Biology

CHE200 Chemistry

PHY200 Physics

GEO200 Geography

HIS200 History

MED200 Media Studies

PSY200 Psychology

SOC200 Sociology

PED200 Physical Education

SPS200 Sports Studies

SVCADY2 Services Academy 2

DRA200 Drama

MUS200 Music

PPA200 Pasifika Performing Arts

TAH200 Te Ao Haka

ART200 Art Painting

DEP200 Design OR Photography

DIT200 Digital Technologies

HOS200 Hospitality

TEC200 Hard Materials Technology

TRADES Trades Academy

UCOL Engineering Trades

PEM200 Pathways to Employment

Other Trades Academy courses

Level 3 Courses



ENG300 English

MPV300 Māori & Pasifika Voices

ELL234 English Language Learning

SAM300 Gagana Sāmoa

MAC300 Calculus

MAS300 Statistics

SCI300 Science

BIO300 Biology

CHE300 Chemistry

PHY300 Physics

GEO300 Geography

HIS300 History

MED300 Media Studies

PSY300 Psychology

SOC300 Sociology

PED300 Physical Education

SPS300 Sports Studies

DRA300 Drama

MUS300 Music

PPA300 Pasifika Performing Arts

TAH300 Te Ao Haka

ART300 Art Painting

DEP300 Design OR Photography

DIT300 Digital Technologies

HOS300 Hospitality

TEC300 Hard Materials Technology

GAT300 Gateway

University Entrance Approved Courses



ENG300 English

MPV300 Māori & Pasifika Voices
(English)

SAM300 Gagana Sāmoa

MAC300 Calculus

MAS300 Statistics

BIO300 Biology

CHE300 Chemistry

PHY300 Physics

GEO300 Geography

HIS300 History

MED300 Media Studies

PSY300 Psychology

SOC300 Sociology (Senior Social
Studies)

PED300 Physical Education

DRA300 Drama

MUS300 Music

PPA300 Pasifika Performing Arts
(Dance)

TAH300 Te Ao Haka

ART300 Art

DEP300 Design OR Photography

DIT300 Digital Technologies



English & Languages

Level 1 courses

ENG100 English

LIT100 Literacy

ELL012 English Language
Learning

SAM100 Gagana Sāmoa

Level 2 courses

ENG200 English

LIT200 Literacy

ELL234 English Language
Learning

SAM200 Gagana Sāmoa

Level 3 courses

ENG300 English

MPV300 Māori &
Pasifika Voices

ELL234 English Language
Learning

SAM300 Gagana Sāmoa



English



See Mr Laing
for more info

ENG100 Level 1 English 20 credits available

Level 1 NCEA English introduces students to a broad range of texts and essential language skills. The course focuses on developing reading, writing, and oral communication abilities through the study of literature, film, and language. Students will learn to analyse and respond to different texts, enhancing their understanding of themes, characters, and language techniques. Assessments include internal and external assessments that measure students' proficiency in comprehension, text analysis, and writing. This level lays a strong foundation for further study in English and cultivates thinking and effective communication skills.

ENG200 Level 2 English 21 credits available (UE Reading & Writing credits)

Level 2 NCEA English is designed to build on the skills developed in Level 1, enhancing students' abilities in reading, writing, and critical analysis. The course covers a range of texts, including literature and film, encouraging students to think deeply about themes, character development, and language techniques. Assessments include both internal and external exams, focusing on written and oral communication and text analysis. This course prepares students for further academic study and develops essential skills for effective communication and critical thinking in everyday life.

ENG300 Level 3 English 18 credits available (UE Approved Course)

Level 3 NCEA English aims to refine students' analytical and communication skills. The course involves in-depth study of various texts, including films and short stories, fostering advanced critical thinking and interpretive abilities. Students will engage in both internal and external assessments, which focus on sophisticated text analysis, research, and perceptive judgements. This level emphasises independence in learning and the ability to construct and articulate complex ideas effectively.





English



See Mr Tiria
for more info

ENG300 Level 3 English 18 credits available (UE Approved Course)

Level 3 NCEA English aims to refine students' analytical and communication skills. The course involves in-depth study of various texts, including films and short stories, fostering advanced critical thinking and interpretive abilities. Students will engage in both internal and external assessments, which focus on sophisticated text analysis, research, and perceptive judgements. This level emphasises independence in learning and the ability to construct and articulate complex ideas effectively.

MPV300 Level 3 Māori & Pasifika Voices 19 credits available (UE Approved Course)

This is an alternative Level 3 English course that focuses on exploring Māori and Pasifika stories and the perspectives they present about Māori and Pasifika people. You will learn to use cultural lenses to analyse the texts we study together, as well as texts you research independently. You'll also have opportunities to express your ideas through creative writing, formal essays, visual texts, or oral presentations. Priority will be given to students who have taken literacy-rich subjects such as ENG200, GEO200, HIS200, MED200, PSY200, or SOC200.

A large, well-stocked wooden bookshelf filled with numerous books of various sizes and colors, organized in rows. The books are arranged in a grid-like fashion, with some spines facing forward and others slightly angled. The colors of the book spines range from dark blues and blacks to bright yellows and oranges. The bookshelf itself is made of light-colored wood and has a classic, sturdy design. The overall impression is one of a well-maintained and extensive library or study collection.



LIT200 Level 2 Literacy
20 credits available

This course is tailored to support and develop foundational skills in reading, writing, and communication. The course focuses on accessible texts and practical language activities, providing a supportive environment to build confidence and competence. Assessments include internals completed overtime, ensuring students can demonstrate their understanding effectively. This course aims to strengthen essential skills, preparing students for everyday communication and further educational opportunities.



English Language Learning



See Mrs Sellwood
for more info



ELL012 Level 1 & 2 English for English Language Learners 25+ credits available

This course is suited for students who speak English as a second language or come from a background where English is not the main language used at home. This course aims to strengthen basic English skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening at Levels One and Two. Students are mostly assessed through English Language Unit Standards appropriate to their language proficiency.



ELL234 Level 2 & 3 English for English Language Learners 25+ credits available

This course aims to further develop basic English skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening. Students are assessed through English Language Unit Standards at the level of the student's proficiency. Some Year 13 students needing UE Literacy credits may opt to undertake independent research English for Academic Purposes Unit Standards.

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Gagana Sāmoa



See Miss Lolouta
for more info

Tālofa!



SAM100 Level 1 Gagana Sāmoa **20 credits available**

This course builds on Year 10 learning and develops students' ability to express ideas, opinions, and experiences in Gagana Sāmoa. Key topics include family, church, and school, alongside cultural values like tautua (service) and fa'aaloalo (respect). Students will also take part in practical cultural activities such as the 'ava ceremony and learning Samoan table customs. Open to all students, including those who didn't take Gagana Sāmoa in Year 10.

SAM200 Level 2 Gagana Sāmoa **20 credits available**

This course extends students' ability to justify ideas in Gagana Sāmoa across everyday and cultural contexts. It deepens understanding of Samoan values, customs, and community practices while building fluency in speaking and writing. Students gain confidence using the language in both formal and informal settings, with experiences like preparing for fa'alavelave, delivering speeches, and taking traditional roles in family events. Open to all students, including those who didn't take Gagana Sāmoa in Year 11.

SAM300 Level 3 Gagana Sāmoa **24 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

This advanced course deepens students' understanding of Samoan identity, customs, and communication. It refines speaking and writing skills while exploring complex cultural ideas. Practical experiences include preparing fa'alupega, delivering formal speeches, and leading or supporting 'ava ceremonies and service roles. Open to all students, including those who didn't take Gagana Sāmoa in Year 12.





Mathematics

Level 1 courses

MAT100 Mathematics

NUM100 Numeracy

Level 2 courses

MAC200 Calculus

MAS200 Statistics

MAT200 Mathematics

Internals

Level 3 courses

MAC300 Calculus

MAS300 Statistics



Level 1 Maths



See Ms Kim
for more info

MAT100 Level 1 Mathematics **15 credits available**

This course focuses on developing students' understanding of mathematical concepts and their application to abstract and real-world situations. Students will explore a variety of approaches to problem-solving and learn to use effective means for modelling, analysing and interpreting patterns and relationships. MAT100 consists of three Achievement Standards and will prepare students for further studies in Calculus and Statistics in Years 12 and 13.

NUM100 Level 1 Numeracy **10 credits available**

This course aims to develop the core mathematical skills applicable to various real-world contexts. It is designed to support students to gain confidence in everyday mathematics and broaden their understanding to achieve 10 numeracy credits offered in Common Assessment Activities.





Level 2 Maths



See Ms Kim
for more info

MAC200 Level 2 Calculus 17 credits available

This course focuses on developing advanced algebra skills to solve complex real-world problems. In addition, students will learn foundational Calculus and graphical methods. It is intended to prepare students for Year 13 Calculus and tertiary studies requiring a sound mathematical understanding.

MAS200 Level 2 Statistics 17 credits available

This course focuses on developing students' understanding of data analysis and their ability to integrate statistical features with contextual knowledge. Students will learn to interpret information, evaluate arguments, and deal with chance, which will allow them to assess statistical information encountered on a day-to-day basis.

MAT200 Level 2 Mathematics Internals 10 credits available

This course is designed to help students strengthen their skills, improving both employment and further education opportunities. It offers 10 Level 2 credits through Achievement Standards and also supports students in developing the understanding needed to successfully complete the Numeracy Common Assessment Activities.





Level 3 Maths



See Ms Kim
for more info

MAC300 Calculus

19 credits available (UE Approved Course)

This course focuses on advanced Mathematics and Calculus concepts along with their application to complex problems. It is designed to prepare students for a multitude of university studies that rely on sound mathematical understanding, such as Engineering, Physics and Economics.

MAS300 Statistics and Modelling

18 credits available (UE Approved Course)

This course focuses on complex statistical processes, including collection, analysis and interpretation of data. Students will develop their critical thinking and analytic skills, formulate an investigation, and write and critique formal reports. The course is designed to prepare students for a multitude of university studies that rely on sound statistical understanding.





Science

Level 1 courses

SCI100 Science -
Climate Change focus
ESC100 Science -
Environmental focus

Level 2 courses

SCI200 Science
BIO200 Biology
CHE200 Chemistry
PHY200 Physics

Level 3 courses

BIO300 Biology
CHE300 Chemistry
PHY300 Physics



Science



See Mr Johnson
for more info



SCI100 Level 1 Science - General Science **20 credits available**

Students will develop their understanding of Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Students will carry out internal and external assessments covering Conservation of mass, Genetics and Energy. This course enables a pathway into Biology, Chemistry and Physics in Years 12 and 13.



ESC100 Level 1 Science - Environmental Science **15 credits available**

Students will develop their understanding of science from cultural (i.e. Mātauranga Māori and Pacific) perspectives of our environment, such as our land, water, air and life. This course enables a pathway into Biology, Chemistry and Physics in Years 12 and 13. Credits are gained through two external and one internal assessment.



SCI200 Level 2 Science **18-21 credits available**

This course covers standards from Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Earth Science, exploring topics related to life, the universe, and our place in it. It aims to build confidence and understanding in Physical Science while enhancing the ability to express scientific ideas. Students will also learn to apply scientific concepts to everyday life.



Biology



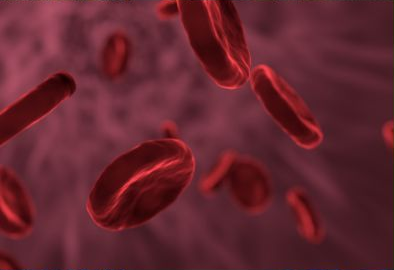
See Mr Johnson
for more info

BIO200 Level 2 Biology **22 credits available**

This course builds on the biological concepts from SCI100 and ESC100, offering a deeper understanding of cellular processes and their role in genetic variation within populations. It is essential for those pursuing a career in biology.

BIO300 Level 3 Biology **18 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

This course covers the study of living things, including genes, cells, genetics, plants, animals, and evolution. It is designed for students interested in deepening their knowledge of biological sciences or pursuing further studies in this field after school.





Chemistry



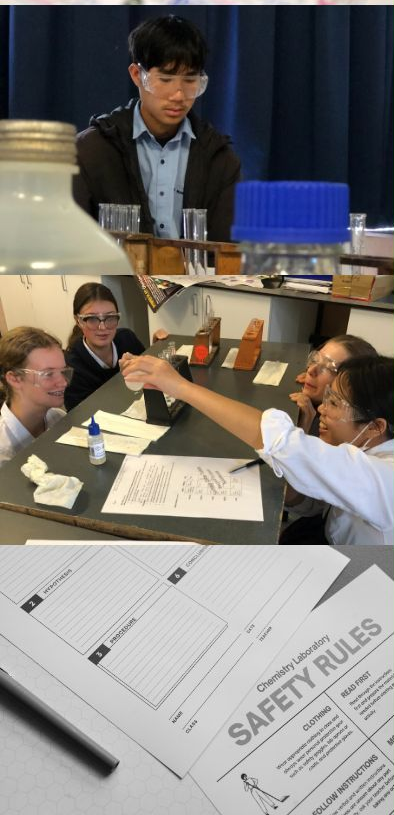
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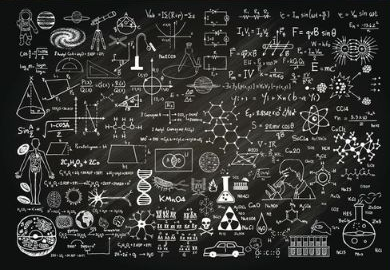
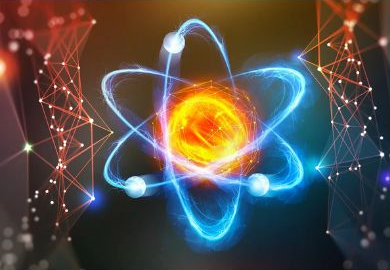
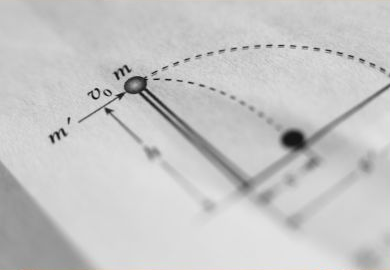
CHE200 Level 2 Chemistry **26 credits available**

Students will use authentic-looking scientific equipment, including large glassware and reactive chemicals. The course will cover fundamental concepts such as the names of elements and atomic structure, building on what students learned in Years 10 and 11. Through experiments and bookwork, you will learn to identify chemicals in solutions, assess their strength, and understand their reactions with other substances.

CHE300 Level 3 Chemistry **24 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

Chemistry is the study of matter, its composition, properties, and the changes it undergoes, including the energy involved. Students will apply their understanding of these fundamental concepts to interpret the world around them. This course is ideal for those who wish to deepen their knowledge of Chemical Sciences or pursue further studies in this field at tertiary level.





Physics



See Mr Singh
for more info

PHY200 Level 2 Physics 26 credits available

In this course, you will explore electricity, light, and mechanics, using mathematics to make predictions and solve problems in these areas. You will also develop practical skills to investigate each topic. This course is ideal for students with strong calculus or algebra skills or those planning to pursue further study at NCEA Level 3 or university.

PHY300 Level 3 Physics 20 credits available (UE Approved Course)

Physics is the study of light, heat, sound, electricity, magnetism, waves, forces, and motion, all unified by the concept of energy, which transforms from one form to another without loss. By studying physics, students gain an understanding of the interactions within the physical world and the various ways these interactions can be represented. This course is designed for students who wish to deepen their knowledge of physical sciences or pursue further studies in this field after leaving school.

Students who did **PHY200 or MAC200 will be prioritised** for this course.



Social Sciences

Level 1 courses

GEO100 Geography

HIS100 History

MED100 Media Studies

Level 2 courses

GEO200 Geography

HIS200 History

MED200 Media Studies

PSY200 Psychology

SOC200 Sociology

Level 3 courses

GEO300 Geography

HIS300 History

MED300 Media Studies

PSY300 Psychology

SOC300 Sociology



Geography



See Mr Eade
for more info



GEO100 Level 1 Geography **15 credits available**

Level 1 Geography is about how people interact with the environment. You'll explore earthquakes, local microclimates, and Pacific issues, while building skills in mapping, graphing, and data analysis. You'll have the opportunity to go out and conduct real-world geographic research. This course is perfect for developing your research, analysis, and technical skills while discovering more about the world around you.



GEO200 Level 2 Geography **18 credits available**

Level 2 Geography looks at environmental and sustainability issues and how people connect with different places. You'll choose and research your own topic, create digital maps, and analyse data to solve geographic problems. The course builds your skills in research, technology, and analysis, with a mix of independent and group work to prepare you for further study or real-world applications.



GEO300 Level 3 Geography **18 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

Level 3 Geography explores topics such as the impacts of diamond mining, the cultural and economic effects of NZ music festivals like Rhythm and Vines, and how maps can be used to study spaces. You'll plan and carry out your own peer-led research project, develop advanced mapping and data analysis skills, and apply these to solve real-world problems. Independent learning and strong research skills will help you succeed, especially if you're new to Geography.



History



See Mr Hunt
for more info



HIS100 Level 1 History **19 credits available**

Level 1 History explores important events like the Vietnam War, the atomic bombings in World War Two, and the 1981 Springbok Tour. You'll learn how to research, analyse sources, and choose topics that interest you for your assessments. There's also a chance to earn Level 2 Art History credits while building your reading, writing, and critical thinking skills.



HIS200 Level 2 History **18 credits available (UE Reading & Writing credits)**

In Level 2 History, you'll explore in-depth topics such as the Second South African War, global genocides, and the US Civil Rights Movement. You will have the flexibility to research any historical topic you wish for your assessments. You will gain skills in research, source analysis, and making historical judgements. History at Level 2 is a literacy-heavy course, so bring along your strong reading and writing skills.



HIS300 Level 3 History **21 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

Level 3 History explores big questions about how the past is remembered and interpreted, with topics like the Cold War, the colonisation of the Hutt Valley, and 9/11. You'll develop advanced research, source analysis, and critical thinking skills, while debating ideas about politics, ideology, and justice. The course also offers Scholarship History for students who want an extra challenge and deeper exploration of historical themes.



MEDIA

Media Studies



See Ms Neal
for more info

MED100 Level 1 Media Studies **24 credits available**

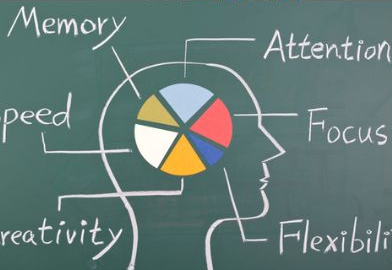
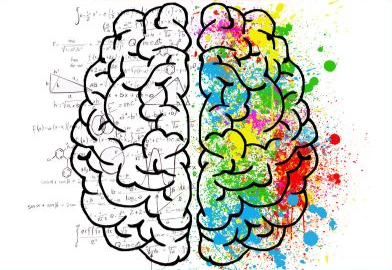
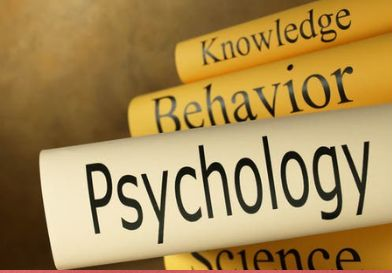
Level 1 Media Studies will look at how the media interacts with society. You will create marketing campaigns to accompany your research into media issues, while exploring how the internet and globalisation have made media industries more significant than ever before. You will also create podcasts and analyse media narratives.

MED200 Level 2 Media Studies **19 credits available (UE Writing credits)**

Level 2 Media Studies explores representation and ethics in the media. As you learn about media industries, you will plan and make your own media product, as well as an introduction to your adventure narrative script, which ties into our external study of the making of The Mandalorian.

MED300 Level 3 Media Studies **20 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

As a University Entrance approved subject, Level 3 Media Studies enhances your critical thinking and research skills, as you explore new developments in the media and representations in Aotearoa's media. You will script, plan, and make a media product of your choice, and study the rise of the superhero genre post-9/11, and how genres are tied to the society in which they are produced.



Psychology



See Mrs Knowles
for more info

PSY200 Level 2 Psychology

16 credits available (UE Reading credits)

Level 2 Psychology is an internal-only course where you'll explore four main approaches selected from biological, behavioural, cognitive, humanistic, psychodynamic, and socio-cultural, to gain a deeper understanding of psychology. You'll dive into the basics of psychological research, including designing and conducting an experiment, analysing data, and addressing ethical considerations. The course also includes key areas, like mental health and the impacts of social interactions on behaviour. You will also engage with a study in addiction and psychological debates to broaden your understanding of the field.

PSY300 Level 3 Psychology

18 credits available (UE Approved Course)

This advanced course offers a more in-depth analysis of the reasons for our behaviour, like how our bodies affect our minds. You will do focused research using at least two different methods and critically explore the nature vs nurture debate in today's psychological theories. We will also look at how biases can influence the accuracy of these theories. Psychology at Level 3 is a literacy-heavy subject, meaning you'll do a lot of reading and writing. To succeed, you'll need good time management skills for completing research projects and be ready for more independent learning.

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Sociology



See Ms Gaffney
for more info

SOC200 Level 2 Sociology

18 credits available (UE Reading credits)

Sociology is all about studying how societies work and how people interact with each other. Students will complete Senior Social Studies NZQA standards. In this Level 2 Sociology course, you'll explore topics like human rights abuses in North Korea, government investigations, social movements for change, and the situation of the Uyghurs in China. You'll learn how to research and analyse these issues to understand their impact on people and communities. This engaging course involves group work to enact your own social actions and a drive to understand the world around you.

SOC300 Level 3 Sociology

20 credits available (UE Approved Course)

This Level 3 Sociology course will focus on how social actions can shape policy. Students will complete Senior Social Studies NZQA standards. Topics include youth movements like 350 Pacific, the Israel-Palestine conflict, and the protection of te reo Māori. Students will also engage with government processes to influence a policy of their choice. This course will help you understand and evaluate the impact of social actions and policies on communities.



Health & Physical Education



Level 1 courses

PED100 Physical Education
SPS100 Sports Studies

SVCADY1
Services Academy 1

Level 2 courses

PED200 Physical Education
SPS200 Sports Studies

SVCADY2
Services Academy 2

Level 3 courses

PED300 Physical Education
SPS300 Sports Studies

SVCADY3
Services Academy 3
(LAR only)



Physical Education



See Ms Shaw
for more info

PED100 Level 1 Physical Education
SPS100 Level 1 Sports Studies
20 credits available

Physical Education and Sports Studies share the same assessments but differ in context, activities, and course pace. Students will apply classroom knowledge to practical performance. Both courses emphasise interpersonal skills, active participation, and self-management strategies that align with our Te Whānau Tahū uara. Physical Education is designed for those pursuing tertiary education, while Sports Studies focuses on sports-related careers.

Your Year 10 PE teacher will guide you on your suitability for these courses. The prerequisites include positive engagement and attitude in junior PE, and junior PE teachers will also be consulted about a student's readiness for Level 1 PED/SPS courses.



Physical Education



See Ms Shaw
for more info

PED200 Level 2 Physical Education
SPS200 Level 2 Sports Studies
18-20 credits available

Students will be placed in the appropriate course based on their interests, career goals, and academic strengths. PED200 focuses on advanced physical education, perfect for those aiming for university. SPS200 is for those who enjoy hands-on learning but still want the option for further studies. Courses can be adapted to suit your progress and goals. Each course covers a range of topics such as biophysical principles, leadership and coaching strategies, quality movement, event planning, and the benefits of recreation. The course may include outdoor education activities like rope courses, rock climbing, kayaking, rafting, and hiking.



Physical Education



See Ms Shaw
for more info

PED300 Level 3 Physical Education (UE Approved Course)
SPS300 Level 3 Sports Studies
15-21 credits available

Students will be placed in the appropriate course based on their interests, career goals, and academic strengths. The PED300 course supports students aiming for higher education in Physical Education, particularly at the university level. In contrast, the SPS300 course suits those who prefer practical learning while keeping the option for future tertiary studies. The curriculum includes evaluating performance programmes, leadership, quality movement, and strategies for lifelong well-being. It may also feature outdoor education activities such as rope courses, rock climbing, kayaking, rafting, and hiking.



Services Academy



See Mr Haehae
for more info



SVCADY1 Level 1 Services Academy **21 credits available**

This participatory Services course encompasses various physical activities, risk management, meeting activity standards, fitness principles application, goal setting, basic first aid, and outdoor confidence building. Students enhance individual performance, practice self-management in teamwork, improve fitness via diverse training, connect body function knowledge to activity, and develop leadership skills.



SVCADY2 Level 2 Services Academy **23 credits available**

This course equips students with life skills, motivation, vocational training, and team-building abilities to confidently integrate into the community. It emphasises adventure-based learning for personal and social development, communication, and teamwork. Students learn leadership and group dynamics, gaining confidence through outdoor activities like survival skills, tramping, and camping. They maintain fitness levels and experience military life, acquiring military skills. Life Skills 101 covers profiling, CV creation, financial management, and basic knowledge of property, business, and shares.



Note: Induction Course attendance in Term 1 is necessary for ongoing participation in the Services Academy. Exception requires approval from the Service Academy Director.



Services Academy



See Mr Haehae
for more info

Services Academy LAR No credits - LAR only

Students in this programme have indicated they will apply for the New Zealand Defence Force. You must have the Director's approval for entry into this LAR.

Entry Requirements:

- a. Qualification standards may depend on the Service arm and trade selection. Minimum requirement is 3 years of secondary school.
- b. Must apply for the NZDF.
- c. Previous Services Academy experience is desirable but not necessary.
- d. Can apply at 17 years old but must be 17 ½ before being accepted for entry.
- e. Director's approval.





Performing Arts

Level 1 courses

DRA100 Drama

MUS100 Music

PPA100 Pasifika

Performing Arts

TAH100 Te Ao Haka

Level 2 courses

DRA200 Drama

MUS200 Music

PPA200 Pasifika

Performing Arts

TAH200 Te Ao Haka

Level 3 courses

DRA300 Drama

MUS300 Music

PPA300 Pasifika

Performing Arts

TAH300 Te Ao Haka



Drama



See Mr Miller
for more info

DRA100 Level 1 Drama **17 credits available**

Students will engage with both the performance and the technology side of Drama. We will be exploring acting in scripted scenes and creating their own original scenes. We will also be looking at behind the scene roles, which could entail stage makeup, costume design, or prop design. We will also help run our annual Multicultural Day concert by working in an area backstage.

DRA200 Level 2 Drama **12 credits available**

This course can be made up of either performance standards, technology standards, or a mixture of both. Performance standards focus on performing scripted scenes from established plays and creating original performances that have strong messages. Technology standards focus on both designing and creating things to help support a performance - such as costume, makeup, set, or lighting. We will also help run events for the school – such as Multicultural Day and major productions.

DRA300 Level 3 Drama **14 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

Students will choose between performance standards or technology standards. Performance standards involve refining key skills in voice, body, movement, and space to perform major roles in scripted scenes and create original performances that engage the audience. Technology standards focus on designing elements for events, such as costumes or sets. Students will also take on roles within events and work as a team to ensure their success, such as Multicultural Day and major productions.



Music



See Ms Lee
for more info

MUS100 Level 1 Music **15 credits available**

In this Level 1 Music course, students will build a strong foundation in performance, composition, theory, and music technology. You will improve solo and group performance skills on your main instrument or voice, develop music theory and listening skills, use a Digital Audio Workstation like Bandlab or Soundtrap, and create an original composition. Regular lessons from an instrumental or vocal teacher, either at school or externally, are essential for success in NCEA Music. You will also have several performance opportunities throughout the year.

MUS200 Level 2 Music **14 credits available**

In this Level 2 Music course, you will advance your solo and group performance skills on your main instrument and research a topic related to New Zealand music. The course will enhance your composition abilities with advanced recording techniques and music technology. You will also improve your theory and listening skills to refine your overall musicianship. There will be plenty of opportunities for you to perform throughout the year.

MUS300 Level 3 Music **18 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

In this Level 3 Music course, students will choose either Performance or Composition as their main focus. Performance students will enhance their solo and group skills to prepare for two recitals. Composition students will compose at least three pieces of music. All students will conduct in-depth research on a music topic of their choice and refine their harmonic and aural skills to elevate their musicianship. There will be many performance opportunities throughout the year, including student-organised events.



Pasifika Performing Arts



See Mr Tiria
for more info



PPA100 Level 1 Pasifika Performing Arts (Dance) **15 credits available**

NEW!

This course introduces students to traditional and contemporary Pacific dance styles. Students will learn to express stories and cultural ideas through movement and create their own choreography in groups. The course builds confidence, teamwork, and an appreciation for the meaning behind Pacific dances. Participation in Poly Club performances is required. Students will collaborate and actively contribute to class activities.



PPA200 Level 2 Pasifika Performing Arts (Dance) **18 credits available**

This course focuses on deepening your skills in Pacific dance and storytelling through movement. You'll explore traditional and contemporary styles, take creative leadership in choreography, and perform at key events like Multicultural Day and HuttFest. To succeed, you'll need to take initiative, work well with others, and be open to creative challenges. Participation in Poly Club and performances at school events and cultural festivals is required. Students must be willing to collaborate and actively contribute to class activities.



PPA300 Level 3 Pasifika Performing Arts (Dance) **18 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

This Level 3 Dance course focuses on leadership in choreography, directing, costuming and music for Pacific dance. You'll lead and direct group performances, create music and performance concepts, and, later on, perform a solo or duet to show your skill and expression. Students will also help lead choreography for the year's many cultural events like Multicultural Day, HuttFest and further local events.



Te Ao Haka



See Whaea V
for more info

TAH100 Level 1 Te Ao Haka **15+ credits available**

Students in Level 1 Te Ao Haka discover, identify, and explore foundational knowledge and ideas about Te Ao Haka. Ākonga have the opportunity to grow into proud, confident, disciplined, resilient, accountable, hardworking, committed, and humble leaders who can work collaboratively. They will develop lifelong skills in manaaki, tiaki, aroha, whakapono, aumangea, tiaki wā, and tōngakingaki. The coursework combines practical activities with research and written tasks. There are no prerequisites for this course.

TAH200 Level 2 Te Ao Haka **15+ credits available**

Students in Level 2 Te Ao Haka explore and innovate within the framework of Te Ao Haka, experimenting with their roles and connections. The course encourages learning about both reo ā-waha and reo ā-tinana, helping students enhance their communication skills. It offers numerous opportunities to develop and demonstrate leadership, both on and off stage. The coursework includes a blend of practical activities, research, and written tasks. There are no prerequisites for this course.

TAH300 Level 3 Te Ao Haka **15+ credits available (UE Approved Course)**

In Level 3 Te Ao Haka, students refine their analysis and performance skills, effectively expressing narrative and embodying their work. Whanaungatanga is central to Te Ao Haka, helping students build bonds, cooperate, and work together. The course fosters creativity and expression, enhancing both performance skills and critical thinking. It includes a blend of practical activities, research, and written tasks. There are no prerequisites for this course.



Visual Arts

Level 1 courses

ART100 Art

DEP100 Design
& Photography

Level 2 courses

ART200 Art Painting

DEP200 Design OR
Photography

Level 3 courses

ART300 Art Painting

DEP300 Design OR
Photography



Art



See Mr Ferguson
for more info

ART100 Level 1 Art **20 credits available**

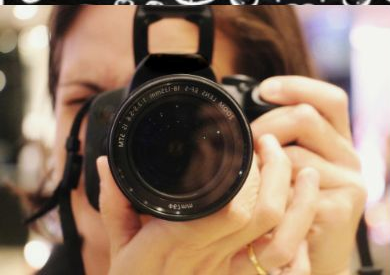
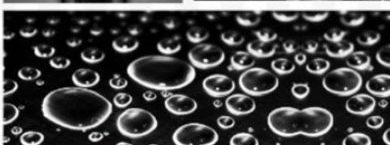
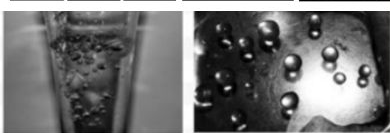
This course allows students to explore their identity through a Mātauranga Māori lens with the question, "Ko Wai Au?" Students will connect with their identity through concepts such as pepeha, whakapapa (genealogy), turangawaewae (where we are from), kaitiakitanga (guardianship), and taonga (precious gifts/items/family heirlooms) within their whānau and how these elements contribute to their personal story. Students who choose this course cannot take DEP100, as both courses are assessed against the same standards.

ARP200 Level 2 Art Painting **20 credits available**

This course develops your Level 1 Art skills, focusing on painting mediums. Students study artists' techniques through research and practical standards, applying these to their own work. Completing artwork as homework is crucial to meet the level's expectations. While most students will complete an external folio, an additional internal Achievement Standard is available for those who wish to do a fully internal course.

ARP300 Level 3 Art Painting **22 credits available (UE Approved Course)**

This course builds on the skills developed in Level 2 Art, with a focus on exploring painting mediums. Students will study various techniques used by established artists through research and practical achievement standards, applying this knowledge to enhance their own work. Regular homework is essential to meet the quantity and quality requirements at this level. While most students will complete an external folio, there is an additional internal achievement standard available for those who prefer a fully internal course.



**See Mr Ferguson
for more info**

DEP100 Level 1 Design & Photography
20 credits available

This course in Design and Photography is for students interested in digital art. Students will build a portfolio that communicates a chosen theme and learn essential skills in both areas. They will also gain an understanding of visual elements to prepare for the Level 2 DEP200 course. It is recommended that students have their own digital camera and drawing tablet, as resources are limited. Students enrolled in DEP100 cannot take ART100, as both courses are assessed using the same standards.

DEP200 Level 2 Design OR Level 2 Photography
20 credits available

Students are required to choose either Design or Photography as their pathway. In either course, students will respond to a variety of briefs using the Design and Photography principles learned in Level 1, along with their own creative skills. They will continue to use Adobe Creative Suite to further develop their Adobe Photoshop and DSLR camera skills in creating digital artworks. Access to a DSLR camera and a drawing tablet is also recommended.

DEP300 Level 3 Design OR Level 3 Photography
22 credits available (UE Approved Courses)

Students are required to choose either Design or Photography as their pathway. Both courses offer an in-depth exploration of creative, practical-based design and photography. Students will respond to various briefs, applying the design and photography principles learned in Level 2, along with their creative skills. Access to a computer or laptop with Photoshop at home is advantageous. It is also recommended to have access to a DSLR camera and a drawing tablet.



Technology

Level 1 courses

DIT100 Digital Technologies

HOS100 Hospitality

TEC100 Hard Materials
Technology

Level 2 courses

DIT200 Digital Technologies

HOS200 Hospitality

TEC200 Hard Materials
Technology

Level 3 courses

DIT300 Digital Technologies

HOS300 Hospitality

TEC300 Hard Materials
Technology



Digital Technologies

See Mr Yeo
for more info



DIT100 Level 1 Digital Technologies

15 credits available

We use digital technologies to do our work, communicate, and entertain. We also use it to create new "stuff" for others. At Level 1, students will design, develop and evaluate digital outcomes. These include web pages (digital media), databases (managing information) and interactive games (programming). This course will also cover concepts of Digital Technologies. Applications used include Excel, Access, Photoshop, Notepad++ and Scratch.



DIT200 Level 2 Digital Technologies

17 credits available

At Level 2, students will learn to use advanced techniques to design, develop and evaluate digital outcomes. These include web pages (digital media), databases (managing data) and interactive games (programming). This course will also cover advanced concepts of digital technologies. Applications used include Excel, Access, Photoshop, Notepad++ and Animate/ActionScript.

DIT300 Level 3 Digital Technologies

14 credits available (UE Approved Course)

At Level 3, students will consolidate and build on their learning to design, develop and evaluate digital outcomes. These include web pages (digital media), relational databases (managing data) and interactive games (programming). Some students may be assessed using Unit Standards. Applications used include Excel, Access, Photoshop, Notepad++ and Animate/ActionScript.



Hospitality



See Mr McNab
for more info



HOS100 Level 1 Hospitality **24 credits available**

This course introduces food preparation and safety in the hospitality industry. It has a mixture of practical and theoretical assessments. Students will study basic food safety and be introduced to food preparation techniques used in a commercial setting. Topics include various food groups, baking, hot finger foods, and mocktails.



HOS200 Level 2 Hospitality **21 credits available**

This course is designed to further students' skills and give them experience to prepare them for the hospitality industry. It has a mixture of practical and theoretical assessments, and students are required to partake in catering as part of the course and assessment. Students will look at food preparation and food and beverage service.



HOS300 Level 3 Hospitality **24 credits available**

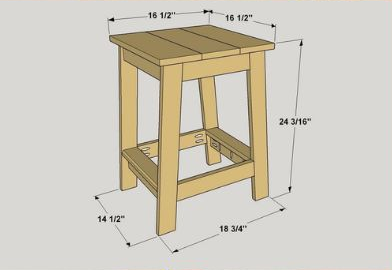
This course gives students real-life experience in working in the hospitality industry. Students will take part in food and beverage service and food preparation for various school events. They will learn about managing food hazards, coffee origins, and making pickles, chutneys, and preserves. The course also covers culinary terms and espresso preparation. This is not a university-approved course.



Hard Materials Technology



See Mr Hayes
for more info



TEC100 Level 1 Hard Materials Technology **16 credits available**

Students in Level 1 Hard Materials Technology will learn to layout and cut traditional wooden joinery to construct a Tool Tote and a Mortise and Tenon Stool. This will involve reading and interpreting project plans, and using a range of different hand tools plus some power tools. This course places an emphasis on safe workshop practice.



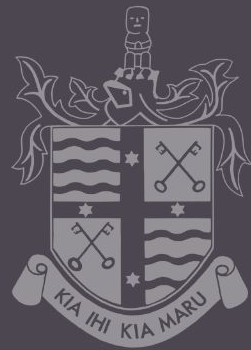
TEC200 Level 2 Hard Materials Technology **14 credits available**

Level 2 Hard Materials Technology involves the construction of two outdoor furniture projects. Students develop a deeper understanding of timber and other building materials while constructing items containing angles and somewhat complex designs. Throughout this process, students will be asked to consider in detail the hand tools that they are using in their work.



TEC300 Level 3 Hard Materials Technology **14 credits available**

Level 3 Hard Materials Technology involves the construction of projects with relatively complex designs. Students will learn about building materials and assembly processes while developing their skills in reading and interpreting plans, woodworking techniques, and using power tools—skills that are easily transferable to the professional trades. Although ready-made project plans will be provided, self-motivated, creative students may enjoy the potential for original design offered by this course.



Careers & Pathways

Level 2 courses

PEM Pathways to
Employment

TRADES Wellington
Trades Academy

UCOL Engineering Trades
Academy

Level 3 courses

GAT300 Gateway

Multi-level courses

Other Trades Academy
courses



Pathways to Employment



See Ms Siencyn
for more info

PEM Pathways to Employment 22+ credits available at Level 2

Pathways to Employment helps you build essential workplace skills while earning credits at NCEA Level 2 through various employability unit standards. The programme includes STAR courses from external providers to explore career options and tertiary education. STAR courses are short courses at polytechnics or private training providers specifically designed for secondary school students. Courses give students an introduction to training for a particular trade or skill. They range in length from a single day, several days in a row or one day a week for up to two terms.

Students may also gain work experience through placements, depending on their academic performance, attendance, and interest in a particular trade. You'll receive support in creating a career plan and academic pathway to achieve NCEA Level 2 and/or Level 3.

Upon completion, you'll have documented evidence of your employability skills, demonstrating your readiness for the workforce or further training.

The programme will be tailored to align with your goals, especially if you plan to enter the workforce after Year 12 or 13. It's ideal for students who want to keep their options open or are unsure about their tertiary pathways.





Gateway



See Ms Siencyn
for more info

GAT300 Level 3 Gateway 22+ credits available

Gateway offers you structured workplace learning across various industries and businesses while you continue your school studies. This programme provides hands-on, practical experience, enhancing your employability skills and facilitating a smooth transition from school to work.

You can earn 22 Level 3 credits from both generic unit standards and standards specific to your chosen industry. You will attend a work placement one day a week for at least 10 weeks, with travel costs and safety gear provided. Gateway is ideal for reliable, responsible students who

- a) are looking to move into the world of work at the end of their school career, OR
- b) want to explore specific career industries and pathways before moving on to further study.



Gateway experiences equip students with essential entry-level skills for the workplace, making them well-prepared for part-time work while pursuing tertiary studies.

Entry into Gateway requires an application form submitted in Term 3, followed by an interview before the year's end. Your attendance record and attitude towards learning will be considered. Please note, that **you must go through the interview process with Ms Siencyn as part of your application for the course**. Choosing this option for Course Selection DOES NOT guarantee your place in the programme.



For more information, see Ms Siencyn at the Careers office or email her at ts@naenae-college.school.nz.



Wellington Trades Academy

Wellington Trades Academy offers students a head start in education and skill development across various vocational pathways.

Students choose one area of interest and attend classes 1-2 days per week while continuing regular school for the remaining 3-4 days. The programme provides credits towards NCEA Level 2 or 3, ranging from 20 to 45 credits depending on the chosen course. Transport and necessary safety PPE are provided.

Before applying, thoroughly research the course to ensure it aligns with your interests and goals.

If you wish to apply for Trades Academy, **you must register your interest on School Bridge**. An application pack will then be given to you in LAR to complete. You need to be aware that the Trades Academy application process consists of completing an application form endorsed by the school, followed by an interview. Your attendance record and attitude to learning will be taken into consideration.



See Ms Siencyn
for more info

Programme	Level	Credits
Baking / Café Service	Level 2	40 credits
Barbering	Level 2/3	43 credits
Construction Mixed Trades	Level 2	49 credits
Digital Media: Animation and Game Design	Level 2/3	31 Credits
Engineering and Automotive	Level 2	43 Credits
Health Pathways	Level 2/3	22 Credits
Health Science (Anatomy and Physiology)	Level 3/4	21 Credits
Salon Environment	Level 2	41 Credits



Other Trades Academy courses



See Ms Siencyn
for more info

NZMA Level 3 Early Childhood Education 28 credits

Suitable for Level 2 and Level 3 students, this one-day-per-week course offers the chance to gain hands-on experience, have fun, explore your passion for early childhood education, and learn more about career pathways within the industry. This course is taught onsite at Naenae College but there will be opportunities to visit local ECE centres.



Primary ITO Level 2 and 3 Farming industry Credits TBC

The primary industry uses our country's natural resources—land, plants, water, and dairy farming. This course offers a broad range of learning opportunities in various primary industries, including: Horticulture, Hard landscaping, Seafood, Sheep and beef farming, Arboriculture, Primary sector, Sports turf, and Pest eradication.



Papa Taiao Level 2 & 3 Tides and Tracks Course 20+ credits (UE option)

Ākonga will identify and apply knowledge of sustainable environmental, conservation and land-based management practices to local projects. The focus of the certificate is learning to apply practical skills while gaining an understanding of regenerative systems thinking concepts.

Papa Taiao Level 2 & 3 Traps and Trails Course 20+ credits

Predators are the biggest threat to Aotearoa's biodiversity. Regeneration of NZ's environment requires pest control. Ākonga will learn to use different traps following industry best practice and use your skills back at home or school with your own trap!



UCOL Engineering Trades Academy

UCOL Level 2 Engineering (Onsite) 28 credits available

Engineers are in high demand. Join the UCOL Academy Mechanical Engineering Programme to learn core concepts and experience the industry. You can work towards NCEA Level 2 while developing technical skills.

You will learn about:

- Health and Safety
- Engineering materials
- Hand and power tools
- Measuring
- Welding and light fabrication

The programme runs one day a week onsite at Naenae College. All necessary safety PPE will be provided.



See Ms Siencyn
for more info

UCOL Level 2 Infrastructure Course 41 credits available

The UCOL Academy New Zealand Certificate in Infrastructure Works Programme provides core skills and knowledge for the industry.

Over a year, you will complete units towards a nationally recognised qualification and gain hands-on skills valued by employers. You will learn to work safely on various infrastructure sites, including civil works, rural construction, surfacing operations, and underground utilities.

This course is taught over two days per week

**DONT
FORGET**



**If you plan to apply for Trades Academy,
please select five subjects and choose
Trades Academy as your sixth option.**

**Please note that acceptance into
Trades Academy is not guaranteed.**