



Highfields State
Secondary College

Semester 2 Course Overview

Faculty: Humanities
Subject: Business Studies
Year level: 9

Course Outline

The Australian Curriculum: Humanities is organised into the following content descriptors:

In this unit, students develop and apply enterprising behaviours and capabilities, and knowledge, understanding and skills of inquiry, to investigate a familiar, unfamiliar and/or hypothetical personal, local or national economics or business issue. The economics or business issue investigated will enable students to: explain why and how people manage financial risks and rewards in the current Australian and global financial landscape; and examine the roles and responsibilities of participants in the changing Australian or global workplace.

Key questions:

- What strategies can be used to manage financial risks and rewards?
- What are the responsibilities of participants in the workplace and why are these important?

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<p>Unit: Managing Financial Responsibilities, Risks and Rewards</p> <p>By the end of this unit, students will know and understand methods of managing financial risks by investigating investment strategies and measuring risk against return. Students will study the financial strategies outlined in Scott Pape's <i>The Barefoot Investor for Families</i>.</p> <p>Assessment</p> <p>Investigation: Financial plan and justification</p> <p>Students will investigate and prepare a financial plan using a 'real life' scenario and will respond to short response questions to justify their financial plan.</p>	<p>Unit: Changing place of work</p> <p>By the end of this unit, students will develop their understanding of the changing work environment and their roles and responsibilities as an employee. Students will investigate the role industrial organisations and government play in the work environment and their legal obligations to protect the rights of the employer and the employee. Key terms include: superannuation, taxation, safe work and minimum working conditions, awards and agreements.</p> <p>Assessment</p> <p>Short Response Test/Extended Written Response to Stimulus Test</p> <p>Students will undergo a short response test to test their understanding of the changing place of work and apply their knowledge by responding to stimulus in the form of an extended written response in exam conditions.</p>