

Religious Education: Studies of Religion and Religious Studies



Studies of Religion 1 and 2 Unit

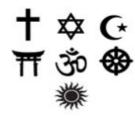
Both courses are academically rigorous and require the ability to research and write a range of responses, including essays. Both are available for those students who wish to pursue the HSC + ATAR pathway.



Studies of Religion II Topics Studied

Preliminary Course

- Nature of Religion
- Ancient Religions
- Christianity
- Judaism
- Buddhism



HSC Course

- Religion in Australia Post 1945
- Religion and Non-Religion
- Religion and Peace

In Depth:

- Christianity
- Judaism
- Buddhism



Studies of Religion - Topics Studied

Preliminary Course

- Nature of Religion
- Christianity
- Buddhism

HSC Course

- Religion in Australia Post 1945
- Christianity
- Buddhism



Assessment Program Studies of Religion

SOR II

Preliminary Course: THREE assessment tasks, including the end of course examination.

HSC Course: FOUR assessment tasks, including the Trial HSC Examination.

***Trial and HSC exam is 3 hours in length

SOR I

Preliminary Course: THREE assessment tasks, including the end of course examination.

HSC Course: THREE assessment tasks, including the Trial HSC Examination.

***Trial and HSC exam is 1.5 hours in length



Religious Studies

Religious Education at Waverley College is compulsory and consequently if a student is not offered a position in one of the Studies of Religion courses, he will undertake a course in Religious Studies. This course is part of the vocational pathway of study but may be included in the HSC + ATAR pathway if the student does not achieve to the required standard in Year 10. However, in this case it will not contribute towards an ATAR. This course is based on classwork and includes assessment tasks.

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Religious Studies - Topics Studied

Preliminary Course

- What is Religion?
- Eastern Religions
- Abrahamic Religions

HSC Course

- History and expression of religion in Australia
- Eastern Religion Depth Study: Buddhism
- Abrahamic Religion Depth Study: Christianity



Words of Wisdom

What happens in Year 10 Religious Education is significant in determining your future pattern of study in Stage 6.

It will also help determine if you should be pursuing a HSC + ATAR or HSC + Vocational Pathway. Studies of Religion 2 unit is an excellent option as it means that it can be part of your 10 units that contribute towards your ATAR in the HSC.



Words of Wisdom

Studies of Religion 1 unit means that you can have 11 units for the HSC and it may contribute to your ATAR if you do not do as well as you expect in another subject. In that case the lowest unit is split with one unit combined with one unit of Studies of Religion.

If in doubt, choose 2 unit and you then have the option of dropping down to 1 unit or Studies in Catholic Thought. You will have three (3) assessment tasks in the Preliminary Course regardless of which option you choose.



Year 10 Expectation

There is an expectation that Studies of Religion for the Preliminary Course in 2021 will be offered to the **top 75%** of candidates in the Year 10 Religious Education course.

This means that your attitude, effort and achievement in Year 10 Religious Education is important. It will help determine your HSC Pathway.

