

Year 13 Subject Selection



Feilding High School

Arts

Art Digital- 13ARD (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	12 Art Digital
Course Content	- Using Adobe Creative software such as Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign to create digital artworks using the design process - Produce a range of branding and marketing material within a context of their own choosing - Generate and develop an understanding of processes, procedures, materials and techniques in contemporary graphic design. - Individualised assessment based on students' strengths, interests and stylistic preferences (e.g drawing, photography, typography, painting, digital illustration, street art etc) preparing students for tertiary study in creative courses, digital imaging, marketing media or Fine Art
Assessment	Internal: 8, External: 14 (An internal course of 12-16 credits can be negotiated with HOD)

Art Painting - 13ARP (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	12 Art Painting
Course Content	- Students will need to demonstrate skill in generating and developing ideas based on the knowledge gained from Contemporary artist models. - Students will need to critically select and fluently apply art making processes, procedures, materials and techniques with consideration of their characteristics to achieve outcomes. - Students can work with a variety of media, including printmaking and digital artwork to suit individual strengths and interests.
Assessment	Internal: 8, External: 14

Art Sculpture - 13ARS (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	12 Art Sculpture or at the discretion of the TiC
Course Content	- Students will need to demonstrate skill in generating and developing ideas based on knowledge gained from contemporary artist models. - Students will be assessed on their ability to demonstrate their skills with appropriate media and techniques and how they link to their selected theme/concept. - Students will need to critically select and fluently use processes, materials and techniques. Materials explored may include, but are not limited to; wire, light, clay, ice, silicone, found objects, glass and fabric.
Assessment	Internal: 8, External: 14

Drama - 13DRA (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	Achievement Standard 91218 (Class Production) and one other standard from 12 Drama, or in consultation with TIC
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Practical workshops • Script analysis • Performance • Theatre forms / genre • History of theatre • Devising • Drama theorists • Live theatre viewing
Assessment	Internal: 14, External: 4 (optional)
Extra Conditions	Extra rehearsal time outside of class time is required. Scholarship Drama is offered by invitation. Students will be required to provide some basic costuming.

Music - 13MUS (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	Students must be taking lessons to learn an instrument, either through the school itinerant music scheme or privately. Students must be working towards at least Grade 6 in performance and grade 4 in theory or have passed Level 2 Solo Performance and one other standard in Level 2 Music Studies. Students should be involved in at least one of the school-based performance group. Entry into Year 13 Music can be at the discretion of the Head of Department.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Solo performance (compulsory) • Group performance – to be done only in extra-curricular music • Song Writing • Arranging • Composition • Harmonic and Tonal Analysis (theory external)
Assessment	Internal: 12-16, External: 4
Extra Conditions	Scholarship Music is offered. Students must do Solo performance and at least one other standard – they may choose from other available standards to complete their programme up to 20 credits. There are also opportunities to be entered into the Associated Board of the Royal School of Music or Trinity Theory exams – to be discussed with the HoD Music. Students must have a laptop and headphones

Music Industry - 13MUI	
Entry Requirements	Open entry for students who have achieved NCEA L2. Students can take this course with minimal music performance experience; however, students MUST be prepared to work in a group at times. Having a very good attendance record is required as there are many practical activities throughout this course. Entry into the Year 13 Music Industry course is at the discretion of the HOD.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Recording music • Mixing and editing recordings in music software • Operating equipment for live performances • Using music technology and music software • Working in music industries • *Music industry research
Assessment	Internal: 19
Extra Conditions	Wired or wireless headphones or earphones are required. A USB device is also required for saving work. There are no costs for using professional music software on school computers. *The Music Research Assessment is an Approved music subject for University Entrance.

Photography - 13PHO (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	Year 12 Photography
Course Content	• Using DSLR cameras, studio lighting, Adobe creative software such as Photoshop, InDesign and Bridge • Produce a range of photographic imagery within a context of their own choosing • Generate and develop an understanding of processes, procedures, materials and techniques in contemporary photography. • Individualised assessment based on students' strengths, interests and stylistic preferences
Assessment	Internal: 8, External: 14 (An internal course of 12-16 credits can be negotiated with HOD)
Extra Conditions	Students are not required to own their own camera. All necessary equipment will be provided.

Languages

English - 13ENG (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	Students must pass at least three out of four standards from the 12ENG class
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Evaluate texts and develop detailed response essays • Have the choice to participate in oral and visual presentations • Write in a range of styles • Carry out a theme study on a topic of their choice
Assessment	Internal: 10, External: 8 + Optional Internal: 3

English Studies - 13ENS (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	8 credits from Achievement Standards from 12 English Studies or 12 English
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Read and evaluate a range of texts • Write a range of pieces • Study and present moving images
Assessment	Internal: 19, Optional External: 4

English Language Learning- 13ELL

Entry Requirements	Students are directed into the course as required
Course Content	Students will cover the following: • English for Academic Purposes (EAP) two Level 4 Unit Standards which assess language learner's readiness to study at university. • Academic Writing Level 4 22751 English for academic purposes (it counts for literacy requirement for university) • Academic Reading Level 4 English for academic purposes (it counts for literacy requirement for university) • Or Level 3 English Language unit standards depending on the student's language ability
Assessment	Internal: 12

Media Studies - 13MED (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	Students must have achieved 3 standards from 12 English or achieved 3 standards from 12 Media Studies. The Level 2 external must have been attempted if a student participated in the course and is not entered into a 13ENG class.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Design and produce a short documentary or mockumentary • Undergo a film genre study e.g. Documentaries • Understand the meaning of a film through different readings
Assessment	Internal: 13, External: 4

Te Ao Māori - 13HAKA (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	Successful completion of Year 12 Te Ao Māori or at the discretion of the Head of the Māori Department. This course does not require knowledge of Te Reo Māori. Basic understanding & knowledge of Tikanga Māori would be an advantage.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Whakapapa, Ngā kōrero o Neherā, Pūrākau. • Tikanga Māori, Pōwhiri, Manaaki Tangata. • Māori history, The New Zealand Wars. • Kīngitanga, Koroneihana & Poukai. • Te Ao Haka. • Mau Rākau • Ngā Kēmu Māori
Assessment	Internal: 16 (an additional 10 credits for students in Kapa Haka who perform at Te Pae Taiohi) Optional: 12 Credits.

Te Reo Māori – 13MAO (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	12 credits from 12 Te Reo Māori including AS91288 (2.5 Waihanga Tuhinga), AS91286 (2.3 Panui) or AS91287 (2.4 Tuhituhi).
Course Content	Topics will cover local, national, or global themes across different text types. Students will cover the following topics: • Waiata / Haka • Te Whakarauoratanga o Te Reo Māori • Pūrākau • Te Taiao
Assessment	Internal: 10-20, External: 6
Extra Conditions	By application to the Teacher in Charge, students may be able to have an alternate individual internally assessed Unit Standards programme in Te Iti a Taranga. The entry requirement is Level 1 Literacy.

Mathematics

Mathematics - 13MAT (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	13 credits from any Year 12 Mathematics course which must include AS91259 (2.4 Trigonometry) and AS91267 (2.12 Probability Methods)
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Mathematical skills such as trigonometry, simultaneous equations, linear programming, critical paths • Statistical skills such as report writing and distribution models • Application of the above skills to real and simulated problems
Assessment	Internal: 16, External: 4
Extra Conditions	A Graphics calculator is compulsory

Mathematics with Calculus - 13CAL (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	15 credits from the 12MAT course which must include AS91262 (2.7 Calculus) and a Merit in AS91261 (2.6 Algebra)
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Advanced algebraic, geometrical and calculus skills • Application of these skills to problems
Assessment	Internal: 4, External: 17
Extra Conditions	A Graphics calculator is compulsory

Mathematics with Statistics - 13STA (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	13 credits from any Year 12 Mathematics course which must include AS91264 (2.9 Statistical Inference) for 12MST students, and a Merit in AS91267 (2.12 Probability Methods) for all students.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Mathematical modelling • Statistical skills • Application of skills to problems that arise in real and simulated situations
Assessment	Internal: 12, External: 8
Extra Conditions	A Graphics calculator is compulsory

Physical Education and Health

Fitness for Sport - 13FFS

Entry Requirements	Year 13 students who have participated in Year 12 Physical Education or by approval of the Faculty Leader. As this class is off-site at Evolve Fitness students pastoral record will be considered as part of the entry requirement.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Development and understanding of standard exercises - resistance training and free standing exercises • Personal goal setting • Development of a personal gym based programme • Plan and apply a fitness training programme • Instruct and monitor resistance training
Assessment	Internal: 9
Extra Conditions	Required: at least two School PE shirts. The course will require a gym membership at Evolve Fitness (\$12.00 per week - this entitles the student to use the fitness facilities in class and outside of school hours). The cost for transport to and from Evolve Fitness is to be advised at the start of the academic year. Students who take sport science have 4 credits that are offered in both courses. This achievement standard can only be gained once; however you will take the highest grade from each course.

Health - 13HLT (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	10 credits from 12HRS. Alternatively, 8 credits from 12ENG. Approval may be given at the discretion of the HOF
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • New Zealand health issues – alcohol, methamphetamine, poverty • Contemporary ethical issues – Medicinal Marijuana, Euthanasia, Vaccinations, Abortion • Health practices – western, traditional, alternative and complementary medicines • International health issues – disease, life expectancy, poverty, reproductive health • Underlying health concepts: Hauora, health promotion, attitudes and values and the socioecological perspective
Assessment	Internal: 14, External: 5

Outdoor Leadership - 13ODL	
Entry Requirements	Students are required to apply for a place on this course. Places are limited due to the course's nature. The cost of the course is \$550.00. The application form is to be collected from the front office, signed, and returned to the front office by Monday 21st September Term 3 Week 10. Successful applicants will be contacted by Friday 25th September and a \$100 deposit needs to be paid by Friday 16th October. The remaining \$450 needs to be paid by November 27th, 2026.
Course Content	Students will cover a selection of following topics: • Snowboarding • Rock climbing & Abseiling • Leadership in the outdoors • Risk management • Weather, Survival and Navigation skills • Mountain biking • Whitewater rafting • Surfing
Assessment	Internal: 21
Extra Conditions	An appropriate level of physical fitness is required. Food and clothing are not included, students must provide these for themselves. Specialist equipment is provided by the school.

Sport Science - 13SPS (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	12 credits from 12 ENA or EST, 12 HIS, 12PSY or 12SPS or at the discretion of the Head of Faculty.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Practical skills in a chosen physical activity skilled performance • Evaluate physical activity experiences on life-long wellbeing • Back to the Future • Examine an issue, trend or event in physical activity • Concussion in Sport or Violence in Sport • Performance Improvement Programme • Badminton – Better than Before • Biomechanical Analysis (optional standard)
Assessment	Internal: 16-19
Extra Conditions	Required: School PE shirt or FAHS sports shirt for practical lessons.

Science

Agricultural and Horticultural Science - 13AGHT (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	12 credits including an external assessment from 12 Agricultural and Horticultural Science or at Teacher in Charge discretion.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Aspects of Primary Production in New Zealand (including impact of both national and global influences) • Research on profitability of a chosen primary product • How primary production can impact on the environment • Production processes
Assessment	Internal: 10, External: 9

Biology - 13BIO (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	Students must have achieved at least one externally assessed standard and two internally assessed standards in Level 2 Biology, OR at the discretion of the Teacher in Charge.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Genetic modification • Patterns of evolution and speciation processes • Trends in Human Evolution • Practical Work - Students carry out their own research experiment • Maintenance of homeostasis in animals
Assessment	Internal: 10, External: 8
Extra Conditions	Required: SciPad workbook required, available for purchase from the school stationery shop. There is an optional field trip in Term 3 to assist with knowledge in animal adaptations and primate evolution.

Chemistry - 13CHE (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	Students must have achieved at least one externally assessed Chemistry standard and two internally assessed standards OR at the discretion of the Teacher in Charge.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Redox • Chemical processes • Spectro data analysis • Bonding and thermochemistry • Aqueous solutions

Chemistry - 13CHE (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Assessment	Internal: 9, External: 10
Extra Conditions	Required: Chemistry Workbook- purchase from the stationery room.

Physics - 13PHY (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	Two externally assessed standards and one internally assessed standard from 12 Physics (13 credits) and 11 credits from 12 Mathematics (12MAT) OR at the discretion of the teacher in charge
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Mechanics – translational motion, rotational motion, and simple harmonic motion • Electricity and electromagnetism - analysis of complex DC circuits, capacitors and inductors, and AC circuits • Waves – diffraction, interference, standing waves and the doppler effect • Atomic and nuclear physics
Assessment	Internal: 6, External: 10, Optional External: 6
Extra Conditions	Required: Physics Workbook - purchase from the stationery room.

Science – 13SCI (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	Students must have achieved 12 credits from 12SCI OR 8 credits from 12CHE, 12BIO or 12PHY OR at the discretion of the Teacher in Charge.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Dating rocks formed by geological events • Investigate and report on a socio-scientific issue • Practical Earth and Space Science investigation • Investigate and report on an aspect of astronomy • Understanding ocean processes
Assessment	Internal: 16, External: 4
Extra Conditions	There is a field trip in Term 1 to assist with dating geological events.

Primary Industries - 13PRI	
Entry Requirements	At the discretion of the Teacher in Charge, which will be based upon the previous year's work, behaviour and achievement. Due to the nature of the course, student selection processes and interviews may be required to secure a place on the course.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Health and safety on a farm • Handling and moving livestock • Fencing • Livestock anatomy, behaviour, reproduction and welfare • Livestock health • Chainsaw course

Primary Industries - 13PRI	
	Students who gain entry are required to attend two compulsory block courses. • Block course 1: Term 1 holidays (1 week) • Block course 2: End of Term 2 or Start of Term 3 (1 week)
Assessment	Internal: 40
Extra Conditions	Entry into 13PRI also requires the following: • The course will include field trips to training and cadetship facilities within the lower North Island. • Students will be required to complete a tutor-led placement day, one day per week from Term 1 to Term 4 - depending on the year. Students will be collected from school on the morning of this placement day. • Students will be required to log their experiences as evidence of the unit standards assessed. This will be done under the direction of the Primary ITO tutor. • Students may enter both Year 13 Primary Industries and Year 13 Agricultural and Horticultural Science after consultation with the Teacher in Charge. • Students and parents must sign a student contract outlining the student's commitment to their academic and practical work within the class. • Students will attend two, 1-week block courses throughout the year. The dates of these block courses will be confirmed. The first block course will likely run during the first or second week of Term 1 school holidays. The second block course will likely run at the end of Term 2. • Students may not take Gateway or USkills and Primary Industries.

Social Science

Accounting - 13ACC (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	10 credits from 12 Accounting OR at the discretion of TiC
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Accounting Concepts • Processing for Partnerships and Companies • Decision Making • External Reporting • Cost Accounting
Assessment	Internal: 13, External: 4
Extra Conditions	Required: Student Workbook and Calculator and may require a revision workbook. The course may involve a field trip to Wellington.

Business Studies - 13BUS (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	NCEA Level 2 – having completed a year in Year 11 Commerce or Year 12 Business Studies is also desirable
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Business case studies – global level businesses • Creating a marketing plan for a new or existing product • Considering how large of global businesses create innovative products to add value • Human resources and how businesses face and combat issues to do with employment and employees • Consider how global businesses strategically respond to factors out the business which may impact them (external factors) e.g. societies expectations of business
Assessment	Internal: 13, External: 4
Extra Conditions	Required: Business Studies Homework Book. Students will be eligible to register and enter the Young Enterprise Programme. This costs \$50.00 per student.

Economics - 13ECO (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	12 credits from 12 Economics or 12 English
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Microeconomics and the Market System – how the market system sets prices and the competitive nature of firms in the marketplace. • Macroeconomics and Government Policies – the behaviour of the New Zealand economy as a whole.
Assessment	Internal: 10, External: 10
Extra Conditions	Required: Workbook - approximate cost of \$35.

Geography – 13GEO (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	12 credits from 12 Geography, or 16 credits from 12 English, 12 History or 12 Media Studies
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Cultural processes – the development of tourism in Rotorua • Geographic skills – mapping, graphing and critical analysis • Geographic Research based on coastal processes in the lower North Island • Contemporary geographic issue looking at the management of Human Trafficking • Global geographic study of the pattern of Megacities
Assessment	Internal: 11, External: 8
Extra Conditions	There are two field trips: 3-day trip to Rotorua and a 1-day trip to the Manawatū coast

History - 13HIS (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	12 credits in 12 History and / or 12 English
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • A broad survey of World War II with a focus on the Pacific Theatre of War • A special studies component involving a research inquiry into a historical event or place, using primary and secondary sources • Analysing evidence relating to historical events, using a variety of visual and written resources • Analysing causes and consequences of significant historical events • Evaluating differing historical interpretations • Presenting a convincing case on the basis of supporting evidence and a sound argument
Assessment	Internal: 10, External: 6
Extra Conditions	The course includes an optional trip to the National Army Museum in Waiouru.

Psychology - 13PSY (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	16 credits from either 12PSY or 12ENA or 12HIST or 12GEO or 12MED or 12SPS OR at the discretion of TiC
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • An overview of abnormal behavior; including schizophrenia, OCD, and dissociative identity disorder. • Mental health in Aotearoa New Zealand and how two different health models (Te Whare Tapa Wha and Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs) explain behavior. • How criminal behaviour is caused and explained through psychological approaches. • Eyewitness testimony and how our memories are not all that they seem. Conduct psychological research into memory

Psychology - 13PSY (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

	• Cultural bias and how this affects psychological research. • Gender Bias and the effect that this has on psychological research.
Assessment	Internal: 16, External: 3

Social Studies - 13SSS (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	14 credits from either 12ENG, 12SSS or 12PSY
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Viewpoints, values and perspectives on current issues facing the world today. • Examine a campaign of social actions to influence policy change – ICE Oct. • Personal involvement in social actions to influence policy change – e.g. Vape stores on North St, Manawātū bus cuts. • Conduct a critical social inquiry on an issue - Free West Papua movement. • How ideologies shape society- Capitalism, Communism, Liberalism, Socialism.
Assessment	Internal: 16, External: 4
Extra conditions	There is an optional trip to Parliament in Wellington (approximately \$30)

Tourism - 13TOU

Entry Requirements	Open Entry to Year 13 students who have completed NCEA Level 2
Course Content	Students will have the opportunity to explore a selection of the following topics: • World travel geography • Tourist destinations in the South Pacific • A New Zealand tourist destination (Rotorua) • Australia as a tourist destination • The economic significance of tourism • The tourism industry • A selection of tourist destinations in Asia • Customer service practices
Assessment	Internal: 18-22
Extra Conditions	This course includes an optional 3-day fieldtrip to Rotorua to explore tourism developments in the area - approximate cost \$400

Technology

Construction Trades (Formerly Building) - 13CTR

Entry Requirements	18 credits from either 12 Building or 12 Engineering.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Construct a major project using resistant materials. • Selecting and using materials for a BCATS project. • Select use and maintain tools and equipment for a BCATS Project. • Use of multiple materials, tools, and machinery.
Assessment	Internal: 20 (BCATS Unit Standards)
Extra Conditions	Selection also depends on students showing a thorough understanding of health and safety in the workshop.

Graphics and Design (Design and Visual Communication) - 13DVC (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	12 credits from 12 Graphics & Design (DVC) Students who have not taken 12DVC may apply to the Head of Faculty for subject approval.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Spatial Design (Architecture) • Product Design (Lighting or Student Choice) • Freehand and Instrumental drawings. • Presentation of design and visual communication techniques. • CAD and 3D Printing
Assessment	Internal: 18 (Scholarship evidence is collected from all standards assessed)
Extra Conditions	Required: 13DVC is a BYOD based subject therefore students will have to bring their own laptop to class.** **There are iPads available for use in class if students do not have a device.

Digital Technology - 13DTE (Approved Subject for University Entrance)

Entry Requirements	At least 8 credits in Digital Technologies at Level 2 or have previous coding experience in Python and Godot at the teacher's discretion.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Coding GUI Based Systems Using Classes • Game Design Principles and Development Processes • Artificial Intelligence of Mobile Objects in Games • Project Management Principles Applied to Game Development
Assessment	Internal: 12, External: 3
Extra Conditions	13DTE is a BYOD based subject therefore students will have to bring their own laptop to class.

Engineering – 13TEN (Approved Subject for University Entrance*)	
Entry Requirements	17 credits from 12 Engineering
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Manufacture of a product using machine tools. • Manufacture of a product using fabrication equipment. • Strength, mechanical properties, and treatment of engineering metals. • Calculations to solve problems for the mechanical engineering trades.
Assessment	Internal: 16/17* (Students choose UE pathway or Trade pathway)
Extra Conditions	Selection also depends on students showing a thorough understanding of health and safety in the workshop. *UE course consists of 4 Achievement standards – 16 Credits *Trade Pathway consists of 2 Competenz Unit standards and 1 Achievement Standard – 17 credits

Food and Nutrition - 13FNU (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	9 credits in 12 Food and Nutrition OR at the discretion of TIC.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Nutritional concerns and eating patterns • Health promotion and community action • Relationship between food choices, lifestyle and well-being, and health • Analysis of influences and effects of media messages on food choice • Multinational food corporations
Assessment	Internal: 15, External: 4, Optional External: 4

Hospitality - 13HOS	
Entry Requirements	Open entry to Year 13 students only
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Nutrition and commercial catering • Pickles, chutneys and other preserves • Culinary terms • Food safety & hazard controls • Complex sandwiches
Assessment	Internal: 23

Technology Textiles - 13TTE (Approved Subject for University Entrance)	
Entry Requirements	12 credits from 12 Textiles. Students who have not taken 12 Textiles may apply to the Teacher in charge for approval.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • managing special fabrics, e.g. fine knits, sheers • managing the inclusion of structural or style features eg. tucks, pockets, openings • joining materials with different properties e.g. lining • Pattern drafting • Advanced construction skills
Assessment	Internal: 24
Extra Conditions	Students will need to provide their own fabrics for garment construction.

Careers

Gateway - 13GAT	
Entry Requirements	Students must be working at Level 3 in all other subjects, have gained 10 literacy and numeracy credits, and be prepared to attend the first aid course the week before school starts. Students also need to have shown a strong commitment to a particular career choice through previous subject selections, work experience or career planning. Students must complete an application form for Year 13 Gateway. An interview for selection will take place and acceptance for Year 13 Gateway will be dependent on the availability of a suitable for placement. Students are encouraged to find their own workplace or attempt to approach an employer before their interview.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Practical First Aid • Active listening and working as part of a team training • Employment relationship problems • Communication process theory • CV writing
Assessment	Internal: 18
Extra Conditions	Students are to work one day per week for approximately 20 weeks depending on the work completed in class and on the workplace. Students taking Primary Industries or USkills will not be able to also take Gateway.

USkills - 13USK	
Entry Requirements	Students who wish to apply will be interviewed for selection. Acceptance into the course will depend on the limited places available and the overall best fit for the student.
Course Content	Students apply for entry into the following 1-day courses: • Construction • Applied Construction Design • Gamification (Design and Development) • ICT Innovation • Cookery • Business Enterprise • New Zealand Police Pathway • Health • Applied Technical Laboratory Science
Assessment	Internal: 20+ credits
Extra Conditions	Students may only take one of Primary Industries, Gateway, or USkills.

Vocational Studies - 13VST	
Entry Requirements	Open Entry, previously studying Year 12 Vocational Studies would be an advantage
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Planning career pathways • Evaluate options to increase personal income • Analyse and select personal financing options for purchasing a property • Listen actively to gain information in an interactive situation • Contribute within a team or group which has an objective • Develop a plan to show how a budget contributes to achieving a long-term personal financial goal • Analyse risk factors and select strategies to manage their impact on personal finances
Assessment	Internal: 23

Learning Support

SPEC (South Pacific Educational Courses)	
Entry Requirements	Staff will recommend students for this course to the Special Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) who will liaise with the Dean to enter students
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • This programme is based on the key competencies in each learning area of the New Zealand curriculum • Individual challenges are set within a range of choices. Planning how to achieve the goals and reviewing progress are an integral part of learning • Students receive a SPEC certificate if they successfully complete the course • Students experience self-organisation and take responsibility for their own learning
Extra Conditions	\$40 towards the cost of workbooks

Transition - 13TRA	
Entry Requirements	Staff will recommend students for this course to the Special Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) who will liaise with the Dean to enter students.
Course Content	Students will cover the following topics: • Practical life skills such as cooking for flatting and household management • Work experience • Constructive use of leisure time • Interpersonal skills training • Working towards individual goals set at an IEP
Assessment	There is no formal assessment, though feedback to parents / caregivers is provided at both Transition Meetings and IEP meetings.
Extra Conditions	A contribution towards outings and materials may be requested as the need occurs