



What is English ATAR?

The English ATAR course focuses on developing students' analytical, creative and critical thinking, as well as enhancing their communication skills in speaking, writing, reading and listening. English ATAR encourages students to critically engage with texts from their contemporary world, with texts from Australian and other cultures. Such engagement helps students develop a sense of themselves, their world, and their place in it.

How will English ATAR help me in the future?

The English ATAR course allows students to hone their skills across all language modes, but engaging critically and creatively with texts. In doing so, students are able to improve their ability to speak and write fluently in a range of contexts, and also create a variety of text forms. They are able to hone their oral communication skills through discussion, debate and argument, which is valuable in both formal and informal situations. The ability to comprehend, create and articulate clearly are important life skills that are used on a daily basis.

What careers can English ATAR lead to?

As English is a compulsory subject to students to undertake, completion of this course can lead to enriching careers in any profession. However, graduates with a love and affiliation with English can lead to careers in journalism, marketing, mass communication, media, teaching, politics, psychology, medicine, creative writing and performing arts.

What content will I study in Year 11 and Year 12?

Year 11	
<p>English ATAR Unit 1 Investigate relationship between language, context and meaning Examine the language, structure and features of a imaginative, interpretive and persuasive texts. Evaluate how their responses to texts are influenced by context. Create a range of written and spoken texts. Reflect on their own and others' texts through analysis, questioning and investigating.</p>	<p>English ATAR Unit 2 Compare texts in a variety of contexts, media, and modes. Investigate representations of ideas, attitudes and voices in texts. Evaluate how and why responses to texts vary Create a range of texts for different purposes, contexts and audiences. Critically examine how and why texts position readers to respond in a certain way.</p>
Year 12	
<p>English ATAR Unit 3: Compare texts from different genres and contexts Explore how texts in a specific genre can change over time. Analyse and critically appraise what we expect from certain text types and genres. Creating a range of texts, making innovative use of language features. Analyse and evaluate how different texts represent similar ideas in different ways, and how meaning can change when a text is transformed to a different genre or medium.</p>	<p>English ATAR Unit 4: Investigate the relationships between texts and contexts through close analysis and comparison. Evaluate how different perspectives, attitudes and values can be represented in texts. Explore the ways texts offer a range of perspectives that can generate empathy or controversy. Create a range of texts, using appropriate language and stylistic features to sustain a personal voice and perspective. Identify omissions, inclusion, emphases and marginalisation in texts.</p>

Where can I find out more?

https://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0005/8618/Literature_Y11_Syllabus_AC_ATAR_pdf.PDF

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