



## **Year 11 equivalent studies for a WACE**

### **Completion of the equivalent of senior secondary studies**

Schools may enrol students in Year 12 for senior secondary studies if they consider that studies completed elsewhere indicate that the students have the potential to achieve the WACE.

If students successfully meet these requirements for the WACE, then recognition will be given for having achieved the equivalent of one year or one semester of senior secondary studies (Year 11) overseas, interstate or through training.

Students who receive 'block credit' recognition for completed nationally recognised qualifications or partially completed qualifications undertaken through an apprenticeship/traineeship arrangement are not permitted to apply for unit equivalence for VET achievement completed outside of school arrangement for the same qualification.

Generally, a Certificate II will provide 'block credit' for one semester of Year 11 studies. A Certificate III or higher will provide 'block credit' for one full year of Year 11 studies. Students who have undertaken an apprenticeship or traineeship may be eligible for recognition of one year of Year 11 studies. All these scenarios where VET has been used for 'block credit' will satisfy the completion of the VET Certificate II or higher requirement for the WACE.

Qualifications within the suite of Certificates of General Education for Adults (CGEA) accredited courses are not recognised for block credit or any other form of credit towards the WACE.

To achieve a WACE using the **full year** block credit for Year 11, the student must, in Year 12:

- complete at least four Year 12 ATAR courses or complete a Certificate II (or higher)\* VET qualification
- meet the assessment requirements in at least 10 units (up to a maximum of four Year 12 units may be substituted by VET qualifications and endorsed programs). A student may choose to substitute units with only VET qualifications (up to a total of four units); or with only endorsed programs (up to a total of two units); or with a combination of VET qualifications and endorsed programs (up to a total of four units but with a maximum of two units with endorsed programs)
- achieve a minimum of six C grades
- demonstrate the literacy and numeracy standard
- complete a pair of Year 12 units from WACE English courses (English, Literature or English as Additional Language or Dialect)
- complete a pair of Year 12 units from both List A and List B.

\*The partial completion of a Certificate III or higher may be awarded unit equivalence if specific criteria are met (see sub-section 4.6.3 of the *WACE Manual 2017*).



For a student to be able to use a **semester** block credit for Year 11 towards the achievement of the WACE, the student must, over Year 11 and Year 12:

- complete at least four Year 12 ATAR courses or complete a Certificate II (or higher)\* VET qualification
- meet the assessment requirements in at least 15 units (up to a maximum of two Year 11 and four Year 12 units may be substituted by VET qualifications and endorsed programs). A student may choose to substitute units with only VET qualifications (up to a total of six units); or with only endorsed programs (up to a total of three units); or with a combination of VET qualifications and endorsed programs (up to a total of six units but with a maximum of three units with endorsed programs)
- achieve a minimum of 12 C grades in units with at least six being achieved in Year 12
- demonstrate the literacy and numeracy standard
- complete three different units from WACE English courses (English, Literature or English as Additional Language or Dialect), including a pair of units from Year 12
- complete a pair of List A units and a pair of List B units in Year 12.

\*The partial completion of a Certificate III or higher may be awarded unit equivalence if specific criteria are met (see sub-section 4.6.3 of the *WACE Manual 2017*).

Schools should complete the form for Year 11 equivalent studies for a WACE for students who:

- have completed studies overseas, interstate or through training that are equivalent to the completion of Year 11 in Western Australia, or
- transferring into the WACE program at the start of a semester and who have completed the equivalent of one semester of Year 11 in Western Australia.

The form should be returned to the School Curriculum and Standards Authority by **Friday, 19 May 2017**.



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School code

## Year 11 equivalent studies for a Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE)

*Note: This form is not to be used where an application for WACE recognition of VET achievement completed outside of a school arrangement has been submitted and processed by the Authority.*

This form is to be completed by the school to verify that the studies undertaken by a student:

- overseas, interstate or through training are equivalent to the completion of Year 11 in Western Australia, or
- transferring into the WACE program at the start of a semester are equivalent to one semester of Year 11 in Western Australia.

The equivalence statement will be used by the School Curriculum and Standards Authority in the awarding of a Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE).

### Complete the following details (please print)

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
WA student number		Date of birth		Gender (circle)	Name of school
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				
Title (Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms)	Legal surname/Family name				
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
First given name	Second given name	Third initial			
Address (optional)					
<input type="text"/>					Postcode <input type="text"/>
Telephone number (optional)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
	Home	Mobile			

### Declaration by the school

Study type: VET  VET: Apprenticeship/Traineeship  General Education (e.g. secondary studies)   
(please tick only one box)

Calendar year in which studies were completed (or partially completed apprenticeship/traineeship).

Studies were completed: overseas  interstate  other  through an RTO\*   
(please tick only one box)

I certify that I have sighted relevant documents and verify that the student has undertaken studies equivalent to the completion of Year 11 in Western Australia.

OR

I certify that I have sighted relevant documents and verify that the student has undertaken studies equivalent to the completion of a semester of Year 11 in Western Australia.

Signature of school representative or school stamp \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Position in school/college \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledgement email address \_\_\_\_\_

\* Where Registered Training Organisation (RTO) has been selected, include copies of the Statement of Attainment/Academic Record and the qualification certificate.

Please refer to Section 7 of the *WACE Manual 2017* for detailed information relating to the criteria for a WACE.

➔ Please return the completed form to Principal Consultant – Certification, at the Authority, no later than **Friday, 19 May 2017**.