

Technological and Applied Studies (TAS)

Community and Family Studies

Community and Family Studies is a 2-unit course which provides foundational knowledge and skills linked to many tertiary courses both at university and TAFE. Past students have moved into such vocations as nursing, medicine, law, social work and welfare, education as well as the police force.

Areas studied in Years 11 and 12 include:

The Preliminary Course

Resource Management (20%)

- Basic concepts in resource management

Individuals and Groups (40%)

- The role of the individual as well as relationships and tasks within and between groups.

Families and Communities (40%)

- Family structures and functions. The interaction between the family and the community.

The HSC Course

Research Methodology (25%)

- Research methodology and skills culminating in the production of an Independent Research Project

Groups in Context (25%)

- The characteristics and needs of specific community groups

Parenting and Caring (25%)

- Issues facing individuals and groups who adopt roles of parenting and caring.

Social Impact of Technology (25%)

- The impact of evolving technologies on individuals and lifestyle.

This course provides opportunities for students to explore and form positive attitudes about themselves and others; to develop an understanding of their relationships within their families and other groups; to learn to work cooperatively and to appreciate the importance of communication. Successful students are interested in the way individuals relate to each other, how families cope with change and the changing nature of work and technology in our society. It is helpful if you can write in such a way as to sustain an argument; however, writing specifically for Community and Family Studies is taught throughout the course.

For more information on Community and Family Studies visit the NESA website at:

<https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/stage-6-learning-areas/pdhpe/community-family-studies-syllabus>