

VCE Assessment

Each student undertaking VCE Units 3 and 4 study will receive from the VCAA:

- a) A criterion based letter grade for School Assessed Coursework (SAC) in that study.

Example of assessment requirements for School Assessed Coursework (SAC) for Legal Studies Unit 3

| OUTCOMES | MARKS ALLOCATED | ASSESSMENT TASKS |
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| <p>OUTCOME 1</p> <p>Explain the structure and role of parliament, including its processes and effectiveness as a law making body, describe why legal change is needed, and the means by which such change can be influenced.</p> | 25 | <p>The student's performance on each outcome will be assessed using one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A case study ● Structured questions ● A test ● An essay ● A report in written format ● A report in multimedia format ● A folio of exercises |
| <p>OUTCOME 2</p> <p>Explain the role of the Commonwealth Constitution in defining law-making powers within a federal structure, analyse the means by which law making powers may change, and evaluate the effectiveness of the Commonwealth Constitution in protecting human rights.</p> | 50 | |
| <p>OUTCOME 2</p> <p>Describe the role and operation of courts in law making, evaluate their effectiveness as law making bodies and their relationship with parliament.</p> | 25 | |
| TOTAL MARKS | 100 | |

This coursework forms 25% of the study score for Legal Studies Units 3 and 4.

- b) A criterion based letter grade for School Assessed Tasks (SAT), if applicable.
- c) A normalised score for that study, determined by detailed examination and school assessed results, and indicating the student's rank in comparison with others in the study. This will be a numerical mark out of 50 with the distribution of marks reflecting a mean of 30 and a standard deviation of seven.

For each applicant, Victorian Tertiary Admission Centre (VTAC) will scale the normalised study score. An aggregate will then be calculated taking the score for English, the scores for the best three other studies, and 10% of scores for fifth and sixth studies. This aggregate will be ranked on a 'percentile' basis for all VCE students in the State.

The ATAR serves as a basis for selection into Australian universities and TAFE colleges.

The ATAR will place students on a percentile ranking with 99.95 being the highest rank. The rank will be used by all courses for which applicants are selected on the basis of VCE results.