
VCE UNITS INFORMATION

VCE Texts and Traditions

Unit 2: Texts in Society

In faithfulness to Overnewton's Christian (Anglican) identity and commitment to provide a well rounded education, all students participate in the College's Religious Studies program – except at Year 12 where it is an elective.

DURATION OF SUBJECT

This single unit will be taught over the full year.

CONTENT

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In this unit, students study texts as a means of investigating social attitudes on issues such as justice, care for the environment, racism and gender roles. Therefore, the texts selected for study should be potential sources of ideas about these or other issues in society. Some of the texts may call for changes in attitudes and values; and others may call for changes in social, religious and political institutions. Some texts may justify or support existing social, cultural, religious and political institutions, works, attitudes and values

OUTCOMES

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- Students should be able to understand the origin and development of selected texts that express a tradition's relationship to its society
- Students should be able to understand the type of authority that a tradition currently attributes to its sacred texts, how these texts affect the current tradition's understanding of its relationship to society, and the effects of the sacred text upon society today
- Students should be able to compare the similarities and differences between the ways sacred texts of two or more religious traditions present a particular social issue

ASSESSMENT

Assessment tasks may include summaries, textual commentaries, essays, comparative tables, short reports and short-answer questions. An examination will be undertaken at the end of the year.