

GLOSSARY

ASSUMED KNOWLEDGE	This provides guidance for students about the level of background knowledge or identified skills required to undertake a tertiary course but are not used for selection purposes
ATAR	Australian Tertiary Admission Rank. The ATAR is an indicator of how well a particular student has performed relative to other students
DECD	Department for Education and Child Development – www.decd.sa.gov.au
MODERATION	Procedures designed to ensure that assessments within a subject area are comparable across all schools and teachers
NEVO	Northern Eastern Vocational Opportunities. This is a group of VET programs offered by the North Eastern Secondary Schools cluster
PREREQUISITE	A formal requirement that is required before proceeding to further study
RTO	Registered Training Organisation – eg TAFESA, PEER VEET. ATEC, MTA
SACE	South Australian Certificate of Education
SACE Board of SA	The statutory body that oversees the administration of SACE. For further information see website – www.sace.sa.edu.au
SATAC	South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre. A statutory body which has control of the administration of tertiary selection. Further information available by viewing website – www.satac.edu.au
SEMESTER	A half year; 50 – 60 hours of programmed lesson time. Subjects of 1 unit (10 credits) are a semester length; a 2 unit (20 credits) subject is a full year subject
TAFE	Technical and Further Education
TAS	Tertiary Admissions Subjects. A SACE Stage 2 subject which has been approved by TAFE SA and the universities as providing appropriate preparation for tertiary studies
UNIT	The unit of course length for SACE is one semester or half year
VET	Vocational Education and Training
YOUTH ALLOWANCE	Youth Allowance is a means tested payment made to full time students aged between 16 and 24. It replaced a number of previous payments including AUSTUDY and Family Allowance for some secondary school students. Applications and eligibility information can be obtained from Centrelink offices. A Centrelink publication “Youth Allowance The Guide” gives a thorough and comprehensive outline of the payment system. Another good source of information is the Centrelink website at – www.youthallowance.centrelink.gov.au