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.


**EALD**  English as an Additional Language/Dialect

**MODERATION**  Procedures designed to ensure that assessments within a subject area are comparable across all schools and teachers.

**NEP**  Negotiated Education Plan

**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](http://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](http://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](http://www.youthallowance.centrelink.gov.au)