

Australian Curriculum Review Resource Kit

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The review of the Australian Curriculum is well underway.

Extensive consultation with teachers, education stakeholders and curriculum experts has worked to deliver a less crowded and more helpful curriculum for teachers and students, reducing and refining content to focus on what is most essential for students to learn, and to be much clearer for teachers on what they have to teach to support improved student outcomes.

Now it's time for as many Australians as possible, particularly parents and carers, to take some time to visit the Australian Curriculum consultation website and provide feedback on the proposed revisions before 8 July 2021.

We hope the following resources will encourage as many people as possible to understand more about the review of the Australian Curriculum and to have their say.

Don't forget to tag @ACARAeduau when posting on your social media accounts.

“ The Australian Curriculum is a LIVING DOCUMENT that is being shaped by feedback ”

ACARA CEO, David de Carvalho

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Newsletter Content: Sample Articles

The Australian Curriculum: public consultation opens

The Foundation to Year 10 Australian Curriculum is our national curriculum which outlines the core content that all young people should be taught regardless of where they live in Australia.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) reviews the curriculum every six years and has consulted with 360 practising teachers and curriculum specialists to develop the proposed changes.

There are proposed changes across the whole of the curriculum including all eight learning areas with the aim of making the content clearer and better organised. It also more concise, more specific and less cluttered.

The proposals are not final but are now open to public consultation and feedback until 8 July. The feedback will be used to develop final revisions, which will be provided to federal, state and territory education ministers for their consideration.

Visit the public consultation website to have your say
www.australiancurriculum.edu.au/consultation.



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How to have your say on the proposed revisions to the Australian Curriculum

Planning on providing feedback on the Australian Curriculum? There's 22 different surveys on the consultation website. To start, get to know the proposed changes to a learning area of interest (or all!), the general capabilities or the cross-curriculum priorities then fill out the relevant survey.

Want to provide your feedback to the Australian Curriculum as a group? The online survey can be completed by individuals or groups.

General Capabilities are the understandings and skills young Australians need to successfully learn, live and work in the 21st century. Learn more about the proposed changes to the General Capabilities at australiancurriculum.edu.au/consultation/general-capabilities/

Cross-Curriculum Priorities make up one of the three dimensions of the Australian Curriculum. See the proposed changes at australiancurriculum.edu.au/consultation/cross-curriculum-priorities/

Learning Areas include English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, The Arts, Technologies, Health and Physical Education and Languages.



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How to have your say

STEP 1

Get to know the consultation
Australian Curriculum

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Learning Areas: Have your say

Have your say on the [proposed revisions to the English curriculum](#)



The study of English helps create confident communicators, imaginative thinkers and informed citizens.

Have your say on the [proposed revisions to the Health and PE curriculum](#)



Health and Physical Education students strengthen their sense of self, and learn to build and manage satisfying, respectful relationships.

Have your say on the [proposed revisions to the Technologies curriculum](#)



With the rapid pace of technological change, there was a need to update the Australian Curriculum: Technologies to ensure students develop contemporary knowledge, understanding and skills. In the proposed revisions, outdated and non-essential content has been removed and new content added to give teachers clarity and guidance about what they are expected to teach.

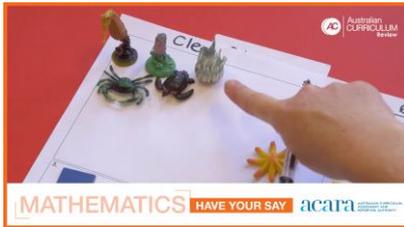
Have your say on the [proposed revisions to the Arts curriculum](#)



Through making and responding to arts works, students develop creativity and critical thinking, and through engaging with the worlds of artists, arts works, audiences and arts professions, they gain a deeper understanding of local, regional and global cultures.

Learning Areas: Have your say

Have your say on the proposed revisions to the Mathematics curriculum



Mathematics develops the numeracy capabilities that all students need in their personal, work and civic life, and provides the fundamentals on which mathematical specialties and professional applications of mathematics are built.

Have your say on the proposed revisions to the Languages curriculum



The need for flexibility of language content to cater for different entry points into a language program, particularly in the F–10 sequence, has been a key consideration in the Review.

Have your say on the proposed revisions to the HASS curriculum



HASS plays an important role in harnessing students' curiosity and imagination about the world they live in and empowers them to actively shape their lives; make reflective, informed decisions; value their belonging in a diverse and dynamic society; and positively contribute locally, nationally, regionally and globally.

Have your say on the proposed revisions to the Science curriculum



Science provides opportunities for students to develop an understanding of important science concepts and processes, the practices used to develop scientific knowledge, of science's contribution to our culture and society, and its applications in our lives.

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Want to help shape what your child is taught at school?

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority has consulted widely with teachers, education stakeholders and curriculum experts, and we want to hear from you. Have your say on the proposed changes to the F-10 Australian Curriculum by providing feedback before the 8th of July.



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Complete the survey

Want to provide feedback on the Australian Curriculum but don't have lots of time? Don't worry, you can save your answers and come back later before you submit your feedback.

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The consultation window is now closed.

All feedback will now be reviewed and considered in finalising the revised Australian Curriculum. The final revisions will then be provided to education ministers for their consideration. Subscribe to [ACARA Update](#) to stay in touch with the progress of the review



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Key Messages

What is the Australian Curriculum?

- The Foundation – Year 10 Australian Curriculum outlines the core knowledge and skills to be taught to all Australian students. It sets consistent expectations for what every student should learn and to the standard of that learning. The national curriculum was introduced to improve the quality, equity and transparency of Australia's education system.

Are teachers involved in the Review?

- The views and experiences of teachers are key to the review process. Around 360 teachers and curriculum experts from across the country have been involved in 18 new reference groups ACARA established specifically to inform the Review.

What are core concepts?

- Core concepts are the big ideas, understandings, skills or processes that are central to a learning area. They anchor a coherent curriculum and give clarity and direction about what matters.

Who can provide feedback on the revised Australian Curriculum?

- This is a public consultation – anyone can provide feedback. Feedback will help us ensure the Australian Curriculum remains world class and meets the needs of students.

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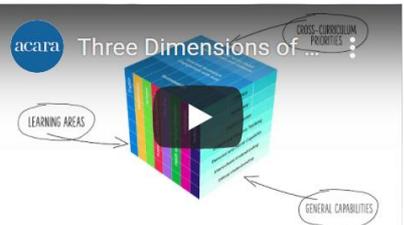


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dgefBna6n9s>

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Improving the curriculum

ACARA's CEO David de Carvalho and Director Curriculum Janet Davy chat about how the Australian Curriculum will be improved through a process of refinement, realignment and decluttering.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p0VP33V3Dyw&t=22s>

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The three dimensions of the Australian Curriculum

The three dimensions (learning areas, general capabilities and cross-curriculum priorities) provide teachers with the flexibility to cater for student diversity through personalised learning. Teachers can meet individual learning needs by incorporating explicit teaching of the general capabilities and/or cross-curriculum priorities through learning area content.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xjgyx0iI0Eo&t=2s>

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Parents know what they want

Parents share their thoughts on the Curriculum and what they'd like to see from the Review.



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Australian Curriculum Website Redesign

Check out how teachers will be supported to access the updated Curriculum through an improved website and functionality.

In the News

Read [ACARA's media release announcing the opening of the public consultation period](#) on the proposed changes to the Australian Curriculum including quotes from curriculum experts.

Read [ACARA Chair Belinda Robinson's opinion piece](#) about the consultation period and why she believes everyone should have their say.

Read [ACARA CEO David de Carvalho's statement](#) in response to The Daily Telegraph story claiming that "the proposed curriculum would replace teaching about the rights to free speech, assembly and religious belief with language encouraging activism and 'direct action'."

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