**Description of the Program**

Religious Studies provides students in Anglican Schools with the opportunity to think deeply, critically and meaningfully about the world in which they live. It is an academically rigorous subject which challenges students to reflect carefully on themselves, their beliefs and the beliefs of others. Students are encouraged to ask philosophical questions which explore the nature of reality; the existence of God; and what it means to be human. They are provided with the thinking skills that enable them to grapple with such questions. They are also encouraged to experience expressions of faith through these studies. The course seeks to do this within an Anglican ethos.

**Learning Outcomes**

1. Students deepen their understanding of Christian beliefs and the Anglican tradition.
2. Students deepen their understanding of their own beliefs and the beliefs of others.
3. Students develop critical thinking skills which can be used to challenge, justify and clarify statements.
4. Students develop an appreciation of the value of Christian service, stillness, of awe and wonder, nurture their own sense of spirituality, and that they may discover a sense of faith in God.

**Scope and Sequence**

students must complete the three core units and two elective units. The total number of hours completed by a student must equal 55 hours.

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| **HOURS** | **Module** | **Unit Status** |
| 15 | Anglican Identity | CORE |
| 12 | Jesus in Context | CORE |
| 6 | Service Learning | CORE |
| 11 | Science and Religion | ELECTIVE |
| 11 | Peace and Nonviolence | ELECTIVE |
| 11 | Big Questions | ELECTIVE |
| 11 | Stillness and Silence | ELECTIVE |

**Assessment**

Students will be assessed on each of the five learning outcomes.

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| **Assessment** | **Learning Outcomes Assessed** |
| Service-learning Portfolio | 2,4 |
| Elective 2 | 1,3 |
| Jesus in Context Reflection | 1,4 |
| Anglican Identity Task | 1,2 |
| Elective 1 | 2,3 |