

Curriculum Fact Sheet

Science Courses for 2021

Key Points:

- The *Science Framework* was Board Endorsed in 2020.
- This Framework features separate Achievement Standards for Years 11 and 12.
- The Assessment Task Type Table offers flexibility for teachers to tailor assessment for diverse learners.
- All courses written under the Science Framework have been updated with the new Achievement Standards and Assessment Task Type Table. They may be found [here](#) on the BSSS website.
- Units and content descriptions in courses written under the Science Framework remain unchanged.

Teachers will need to:

1. **Review the Framework, including the new rationale and goals.**
2. **Create new rubrics using the new and separate Achievement Standards for Years 11 and 12.**
3. **Review assessment programs to reflect on the opportunities offered by a more open assessment table.**

Professional Learning

To assist teachers with writing new rubrics and programs of learning, the BSSS has generated the following TQI accredited online professional development opportunities.



Writing a Program of Learning Online Course

Teachers work through 5 activities which focus on curriculum and how this is enacted in the classroom. The final activity is focused on writing a program of learning for the relevant subject area. This course can be accessed here: <https://sites.google.com/view/programs-of-learning/home>



Writing Rubrics Online Course

Teachers work through 3 activities evaluating rubrics and get access to the Rubrics Handbook which outlines Professor Griffin's rubric criteria and gives examples. The third activity is focused on writing rubrics for the relevant subject area. This course can be accessed here: <https://sites.google.com/view/bsssrubriconline-course>

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