

**PRELIMINARY ARTS**

# DESCRIPTION

The Preliminary Arts programme (PA) is designed for students who wish to pursue foundation studies in the arts stream or take up certificate or diploma studies in the skills based programmes of Pacific TAFE. This qualification will equip students with a range of skills and knowledge that includes research, communication, critical thinking, and knowledge on Pacific societies, politics and history. This programme provides opportunities for students to be creative, work collaboratively and use technology as a learning tool

The Preliminary Arts programme (PA) under the College of Foundation Studies will offer the following disciplines:

* Language
* History
* Politics
* Sociology
* Technology

The Preliminary Arts programme is available by distance and flexible learning from all USP campuses, and at accredited schools in some USP member countries.

**TARGET AUDIENCE**

* Secondary School leavers
* Mature Students

# LENGTH OF PROGRAMME

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| Full Time  | 1 year (8 courses – maximum of 4 courses per semester)  |
| Part time  | Flexible: students are also given the option to complete the programme at their own pace.  |

 **COURSE INFORMATION**

The Preliminary Arts programme will offer the following courses:

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| **PRELIMINARY ARTS (PA)** |  |
| **Course Code**  | **Course Title**  | **Semester Offering**  | **Mode of****learning**  |  |
| LLP14 | Preliminary English A | I and II | B at E, K, L, SI & TON and B at LAB, LTK and P at SAM, CI, NA, NI RMI, TOK & TU |  |
| LLP15  | Preliminary English B | I and II | B at E, K, L, SI & TON and B at LAB, LTK and P at SAM, CI, NA, NI RMI, TOK & TU |  |
| HYP01  | The Pacific and World War II  | I  | P at C |  |
| PLP01  | Preliminary Politics: New Forces in the Pacific  | II  | B and P at L and P at SAM, CI, E, K, LAB, LTK, NA, NI, RMI, SI, TOK, TON & TU |  |
| SOP02  | An Introduction to Sociology | I and II  | B and P at L and P at C\* |  |
| TEP02  | Preliminary Technology  | I and II | B and P at L and P at C\* |  |

*Model of Learning:*

***Key: L: Laucala, LTK: Lautoka, LAB: Labasa, S: Solomon Is, E: Emalus, T: Tonga, K: Kiribati; C\* All Campuses except Laucala, NA: Nauru, NI: Niue, CI: Cook Islands, To: Tokelau, TU: Tuvalu, SAM: Samoa***

**Note:**

* LLP14 and LLP15 are compulsory for all full time Preliminary students.
* In addition, students will be required to select from the list of courses under the Preliminary Arts programme.

**ELIGIBILITY/ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

To be admitted to the Preliminary Arts Programme:

Students would have successfully completed Form 5 or Year 11 with satisfactory school report and reference from school principal when applying for admission.

Those that scored below 180 in the Fiji Year 12 Examinations or equivalent

**ASSSESSMENT**

The award of a grade shall take into account performance in coursework and examination, or coursework only without any final examination for a course approved by Senate to be assessed in that manner. The final examination and the work assessed during the semester shall each constitute not less than 40% and not more than 60% of the allocation of marks upon which the final grade is based.

**QUALIFICATION PATHWAYS**

The Preliminary Arts programme forms a pathway to the Foundation Arts programme.

Students who have completed the Preliminary Arts programme may take up relevant certificate studies within Pacific TAFE.

# COURSE FEE SCHEDULE

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| **Preliminary Fee Schedule, Regional**  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Fiji** ***FJ$***  | **Cook Is** **Niue** **Tokelau** ***NZ$***  | **Kiribati** **Nauru** **Tuvalu** ***AUS$***  | **Marshall** **Is** ***US$***  | **Samoa** ***TALA***  | **Solomon** **Is** **SI$**  | **Tonga** ***PA’ANGA***  | **Vanuatu** ***VATU***  |
| **Pre-Degree**  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Preliminary (Face-to-face mode)  | 545 | 530  | 470 | 350 | 970  | 1,345 | 470 | 34,575  |
| Preliminary (Print mode)  | 330 | 310 | 295 | 210 | 575  | 810  | 285  | 26,190  |

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