

## **FOUNDATION ARTS**

This programme is internationally recognised by the Universities New Zealand (UNZ).

### **DESCRIPTION**

The Foundation Arts programme (FNA) is designed to prepare students for degree studies in Arts and other related undergraduate programmes. Students will learn about Pacific societies, their cultures, politics and histories. They will develop research skills, learn to become critical thinkers as well as build on oral and written communication skills. This programme provides opportunities for students to be creative, work collaboratively and use technology as a learning tool.

The Foundation Arts programme under the College of Foundation Studies will offer courses in the following disciplines:

- Language
- History
- Politics
- Sociology
- Geography

The Foundation Arts programme is available by blended and distance and flexible learning from all USP campuses, and face-to-face and blended at Laucala Campus and at accredited schools in some USP member countries.

### **TARGET AUDIENCE**

- a. Secondary School leavers
- b. Mature Students

### **LENGTH OF PROGRAMME**

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 Foundation Arts programme under the College of Foundation Studies will offer the following courses:

Course Code	Course Title	Semester Offering
LLF14	Foundation English A	I and 2
LLF15	Foundation English B	I and 2
LNF21	Communication and Language	2
LLF23	Vakadidike Vosa Vakaviti Taumada (Foundation Fijian iTaukei Language Studies)	I
HYF01	Introduction to Pacific History	I
PLF01	Issues in Pacific Politics	2
SOF01	The Study of Society and Culture	I
SOF02	Foundation Sociology	2
GEF01	Pacific Islands Geography 1	I
GEF02	Pacific Islands Geography 2	2
MAF21	Numeracy Skills	2

**Note:**

- To complete the Foundation Arts Programme, students must pass LLF14, LLF15, and complete at least three additional courses chosen from HYF01, PLF01, SOF01, SOF02, GEF01, GEF02.
- To meet the requirement of the 8 courses, a student can choose from the following: MAF21, TEF02, TEF03, ISF21, CSF12, FJF23, LNF21, AGF01, AFF01, AFF02, ECF04, OSF01.

**ELIGIBILITY/ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

To be admitted to a Foundation Arts Programme, a person shall:

- Fiji: Pass in the National Form 6/Year 12 Examination with an aggregate score of 200 out of 400 and at least 50% in each of the four subjects of which one must be English
- Countries sitting their Senior Secondary Certificate or F6/Year 12 equivalent: Pass with an aggregate score of 4-19 with English not more than 4 and not more than 5 in 3 other subjects
- From USP Preliminary: Pass in LLP14 & LLP15 and 6 other USP Preliminary courses
- Completed studies at Form 6 level deemed equivalent to the above
- Successful completion of Unclassified requirements
- Those who scored below 180 in the Fiji Year 13 National Examination
- Those who meet the mature entry requirement

**ASSESSMENT**

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**

Students who have completed the Foundation Arts programme may take up undergraduate programmes at the University of the South Pacific or other universities and relevant certificate studies within Pacific TAFE.

**COURSE FEE SCHEDULE**

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	Fiji	Cook Is Niue Tokelau	Kiribati Nauru Tuvalu	Marshall Is	Samoa	Solomon Is	Tonga	Vanuatu
	<i>FJ\$</i>	<i>NZ\$</i>	<i>AUS\$</i>	<i>US\$</i>	<i>TALA</i>	<i>SI\$</i>	<i>PA'ANGA</i>	<i>VATU</i>
Foundation (face-to-face mode)	545	530	470	350	970	1,345	470	34,575
Foundation (Print mode)	330	310	295	210	575	810	285	26,190

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