

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 offer courses in the following disciplines:

- Language
- History
- Politics
- Sociology
- Geography

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

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:

Course Code	Course Title	Semester Offering
LLP14	Preliminary English A	I and 2
LLP15	Preliminary English B	I and 2
HYP01	The Pacific and World War II	I
PLP01	Preliminary Politics: New Forces in the Pacific	2
GEP01	Preliminary Geography A: Physical Geography	1
GEP02	Preliminary Geography B: Human Geography	2
SOP02	An Introduction to Sociology	2
TEP02	Preliminary Technology	2
MAP11	Basic Preliminary Mathematics	1
ISP21	Introduction to Information, Communications & Technology	2

Note:

- LLP14 and LLP15 are compulsory for all full time Preliminary students and at least three from the following courses HYP01, PLP01, GEP01, GEP02 and SOP02.
- For the remainder of the eight courses, students may select from the following electives: MAP11, TEP02 and ISP21.

A student will enrol in the following courses to complete in a year of full-time study:

Semester 1	Semester 2
LLP14	LLP15
HYP01	PLP01
GEP01	GEP02 or SOP02
MAP11	TEP02 or ISP21

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

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

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

	Fiji <i>FJ\$</i>	Cook Is Niue Tokelau <i>NZ\$</i>	Kiribati Nauru Tuvalu <i>AUS\$</i>	Marshall Is <i>US\$</i>	Samoa <i>TALA</i>	Solomon Is <i>SI\$</i>	Tonga <i>PA'ANGA</i>	Vanuatu <i>VATU</i>
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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