



Year 9 Subject Selection Guide 2027

This selection form is a guide for students and parents to discuss their subject selections in the lead up to formal course counselling in term 3. At that time subject choices will be entered online via 'Student Webpreferences' where students will receive a unique login, password, and instructions to enter their choices and print confirmation. For more information about all subjects please visit the [Year 9 Overview](#) of the Unley High School Curriculum Handbook. Subjects marked with a dollar sign[§] attract additional subject-specific fees. Please refer to the relevant subject pages in the curriculum handbook for details.

Please read the following page for additional information, including specific details about special interest programs in year 9 at Unley High School.

Students will select 14 semesters from the following subject groups (a full year subject counts as 2 semesters). Students will also select 2 reserve subjects, which will be used if they cannot be placed in one of their options.

1. Compulsory subjects

All students undertake the following subjects:

- [English / English as an Additional Language \[EAL\]](#) (Full Year)
- [Mathematics](#) (Full Year)
- [General Science](#) (Full Year)
- [History](#) (Semester)

Students in the French Bilingual Program undertake [Histoire/Géographie](#) for a full year in place of History.

2. Languages rich subjects

All students undertake at least one semester from the following subjects:

Languages

- [Chinese](#) (Full Year)
- [French](#) (Full Year)
- [Greek](#) (Full Year)
- [Italian](#) (Full Year)
- [French Bilingual](#)[§] (Full Year)

Humanities and Social Sciences [HASS]

- [Ancient Studies & Archaeology](#) (Semester)
- [Geography](#) (Semester)
- [Law & Personal Finance](#) (Semester)

Students electing a Languages subject undertake the same language studied in year 8 in 2025. French Bilingual is only available to students in the French Bilingual Program.

3. Health and Physical Education

All students undertake a semester of Health and Physical Education. The exception is students in the Special Interest Rowing students, who undertake HPE (Rowing) for a full year.

- [Health & Physical Education](#) (Semester)
- [HPE \[Rowing\]](#)[§] (Full Year)

Students may choose an additional semester of Health and Physical Education:

- [Physical Education Extension](#) (Semester)

4. Design and Technology / The Arts

Students select their remaining subjects from the following options. Students must select at least one semester from both the Design and Technology and The Arts learning areas.

Design and Technology

- [Art Metalwork](#) (Semester)
- [Digital Technologies](#) (Semester)
- [Food and Culture](#) (Semester)
- [Food and Nutrition](#) (Semester)
- [Metalwork](#) (Semester)
- [Robotic & Electronic Systems](#) (Semester)
- [Textiles](#) (Semester)

The Arts

- [Visual Art](#) (Semester or Full Year)
- [Design](#) (Semester or Full Year)
- [Drama](#) (Semester or Full Year)
- [Music](#) (Full Year)

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The following outlines specific information to elaborate upon the subject options outlined on the first page. For even more information, please visit the [Unley High School website](#).

[Personal and Social Identity \[PSI\]](#)

Students currently at Unley High School will be allocated a new PSI group from year 8 in 2026. Students undertake all their compulsory subjects (outlined in step 1 on the first page) with different students to their PSI group (with the exception being those in the Summit program).

Music

Only students enrolled in Music as a subject can access instrumental lessons at Unley High School. For further details about the Music program and instrumental options, please read the [Instrumental Music](#) information and consider the recommended background outlined in the curriculum handbook.

Special Interest Programs

[Special Interest Rowing](#)

Students in this program undertake Rowing for a full year, in place of their HPE option (indicated in step 3 on the first page). Students in this program continue to undertake Rowing for at least 1 semester in Year 10.

[Summit Program](#)

Students undertake English, History, Science and Mathematics within the Summit Program. Students continue these subjects for a full year in Year 10 with the exception of History for a semester only in Year 10. Languages are compulsory throughout the student's enrolment in the Summit Program. This means students are required to study their chosen language up to the end of year 10.

[French Bilingual Program](#)

Students in this program undertake HASS, Science, Mathematics and French language within the French Bilingual Program. Students continue HASS within the program for a full year and begin Stage 1 French in Year 10.