7 Objectives and Outcomes

7.1 Table of Objectives and Outcomes

Objectives	Preliminary Outcomes	HSC Outcomes
A student will develop knowledge, understanding and skills about:	A student:	A student:
the nature of religion and belief systems in local and global contexts	P1 describes the characteristics of religion and belief systems	H1 explains aspects of religion and belief systems
	P2 identifies the influence of religion and belief systems on individuals and society	H2 describes and analyses the influence of religion and belief systems on individuals and society
the influence and expression of religion and belief systems in Australia	P3 investigates religious traditions and belief systems	H3 examines the influence and expression of religion and belief systems in Australia
religious traditions and their adherents	P4 examines significant aspects of religious traditions	H4 describes and analyses how aspects of religious traditions are expressed by their adherents
	P5 describes the influence of religious traditions in the life of adherents	H5 evaluates the influence of religious traditions in the life of adherents
effective gathering, analysing and synthesising of information about religion	P6 selects and uses relevant information about religion from a variety of sources	H6 organises, analyses and synthesises relevant information about religion from a variety of sources, considering usefulness, validity and bias

effective evaluation and application of findings from research about	P7 undertakes effective research about religion, making appropriate use	H7 conducts effective research about religion and evaluates the
religion	of time and resources	findings from the research
communication of complex information, ideas and issues in appropriate forms to different audiences and in different contexts	P8 uses appropriate terminology related to religion and belief systems	H8 applies appropriate terminology and concepts related to religion and belief systems
	P9 effectively communicates information, ideas and issues using appropriate written, oral and graphic forms	H9 coherently and effectively communicates complex information, ideas and issues using appropriate written, oral and graphic forms

7.2 Key Competencies

Studies of Religion provides a context within which to develop competencies essential for the acquisition of effective, higher order thinking skills necessary for further education, work and everyday life. Key competencies are embedded in the Studies of Religion syllabus to enhance student learning. During the course, students:

- locate, select and appropriately present their research work, developing competence in *collecting, analysing and organising information*
- debate, describe, discuss and explain issues in written and oral forms, developing competence in *communicating ideas and information*
- plan, prepare and present a range of tasks, developing competency in *planning and organising activities*
- cooperate with individuals and groups, developing competence in *working with others and in a team*
- develop, implement and evaluate solutions to problems, developing competence in *solving problems*
- construct timelines and analyse statistical evidence using mathematical ideas and techniques
- draw on a range of appropriate applications for the purposes of research, developing competence in *using technology*.