TAITA COLLEGE 2017

Practical and Research Science 301

Course Information and Resources

This course is designed for students who achieve better in internal standards. The course includes units in biology, chemistry, physics and earth and space science. This course is a domain subject and many of the standards offer numeracy and literacy credits that may go towards university entrance.

You will be required to purchase at least 2 **1B8 exercise** books or refill and clearfiles for note-taking. Even though this is your own book, it is expected that you will keep it in good condition, free from tagging and doodles. Many of the notes you take will be required to be handed in for NCEA assessments and therefore, need to be of a good standard.

You need to have blue, red and black pens, a pencil, highlighters and a ruler. It is useful to have coloured pencils and scissors.

• Total number of credits available

18 credits - internal (the possibility of 4 external credits)

• Pre requisite to enter next level

Credits from this course contribute towards University Entrance and Level 3 NCEA.

• Re assessment opportunities

Resubmission opportunities will be offered to students who have made small, easily correctable mistakes on any internal standard. This is done at the discretion of the teacher and will not be offered to the entire class. Resubmissions must occur within 2 weeks of the assessment due date.

There will be **NO REASSESSMENT OPPORTUNITIES** offered for any internal standards in this course.

This course is not endorsable as there are no external assessments. However all credits offered are achievement standard credits and go towards Level 3 NCEA and University Entrance.

You will be offered an external standard in this course if you wish to have this course endorsed.

| Standard | Title | Credits | Internal/ | Lit/Num | UE Lit. | Due Date |
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| | | | External | L1 | | |
| AS91604 Biology | Demonstrate understanding of how an animal maintains a stable internal environment Or Physics AS91521 | 3 | Internal | Literacy | Reading | 10 March |
| AS91389 Chemistry | Demonstrate understanding of Chemical Processes in the world around us | 3 | Internal | Literacy | Reading or Writing | 13 April |
| AS91602 Biology | Integrate biological knowledge to develop an informed response to a socio- scientific issue | 3 | Internal | Literacy | UE Reading or Writing | 9 June |
| AS91415 ESS | Investigate an aspect of Astronomy | 4 | Internal | Literacy | UE reading | 18 th August |
| AS91601 Biology | Carry out a practical investigation in biology, with guidance | 4 | Internal | Literacy Numeracy | No | 22 nd September |
| AS91603 Optional at discretion of teacher | Demonstrate understanding of the responses of plants and animals to their external environment | 4 | External | Literacy Numeracy | Reading or Writing | 22 nd September |

This course may change depending on the progress being made and the topics being studied in the other science classes.