

# MANA COLLEGE SERVICES ACADEMY

## COURSE OUTLINE 2011

This is a full year course for students in years 11 to 13, delivering Academic, NZ Defence Force, Service Industry and Life skills content.

The core objective of the Academy is to assist our students to engage in activities that will allow them to make informed decisions in a career pathway. This may include but not be limited to a career in the NZ Defence Force.

Students of the Academy will learn about life skills conducive to success. This will contribute to their long term economic independence and social well being. It is anticipated that our students will learn to become better role models in our community / college which will provide them with recognition from their peers and families.

This is a course for students

- who have completed a minimum of 2 years secondary education
- who have a genuine interest in the NZ Defence Force or a related Service industry
- who have been identified as being at risk of leaving school without qualifications and/or employment focus
- who are motivated and are potentially able to meet with the minimum entry requirements of the NZ Defence Force.

The desired outcomes for our students this year will be to:

- develop self esteem
- improve self confidence
- become more motivated and focused
- develop self discipline
- develop leadership qualities
- improve academic ability
- develop qualities and skills that will make them employable

- improve physical fitness and well being
- gain selection into the NZ Defence Force
- identify realistic career pathways
- move onto further tertiary education

The Academy will provide but not be limited to the following:

- Services training and education
- Leadership development
- Personal physical fitness
- Adventure based learning development
- Academic studies (NCEA level 1 Math's and English will be compulsory if not already achieved)
- Life skills development
- Military styled training
- Military camps and visits
- Sports and recreation
- Cultural development

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We will be offering NCEA Level 1, 2 and 3 Achievements Standards and Unit Standards

Please refer to your copy of the document STUDENT INFORMATION ABOUT NQF/NCEA RULES for an explanation of Authenticity, Deadlines, Absences and Late Work, Derived Grades, Breaches of the Rules and the Appeals Procedure.

We will set very high standards on this course and will be expecting that students:

- Sit NCEA - Achievement Standard exams at the end of the year if required.
- Be prepared to be involved in, out of school activities.
- Complete all set work and homework on time.
- Attend study groups and tutorials as necessary.
- Have the appropriate equipment, clothing and stationery for course, including a Graphics Calculator (Casio fx-9750G PLUS)
- Attend all classes and when not in attendance advise Academy staff with a satisfactory explanation.
- Catch up on uncompleted work due to absences.

Please be aware that:

- Attendance to non – Services Academy studies and activities during Academy time will be at the discretion of the Academy Director.
- Some Academy equipment and clothing will be available on a loan basis ONLY.
- You will be advised if US and/or AS are internally assessed.
- If you fail to meet the requirements as outlined above then you may be removed from the Academy. This will allow students who have shown the desire to further their education to take your place.

## CONTENT TO BE COVERED

Content	Description	Term/s
Services Training & Education	Services related, a break down of options that may be used in delivery are noted in our course block syllabus.	1 - 4
Leadership Development	Leadership is an important part of service life, good leadership is encouraged. Mediums that may be used to develop this quality are noted in the course block syllabus.	1 - 4
Personal Physical Fitness	Physical fitness will always be an important component to service life and as such will always be encouraged. Students will be expected to participate and will only be excused on medical grounds. Be aware that academy staff may ask for a medical certificate to verify a condition. Mediums that may be used in training are noted in our course block syllabus.	1 - 4
Adventure Based Learning Development	Adventure activities are designed to extend and develop ones character. In a safe environment students will be encouraged to step out of their comfort zone. There are some exciting options that may be used in training, some of these are noted in our course block syllabus	1 - 4
	Level 1, 2 and 3 Achievement and/or Unit standards	1 - 4

Academic Studies	are shown; students will be expected to work at various NCEA levels US and/or AS dependant on their own individual needs and ability. Please refer to U.S and A.S levels available.	
Military Camps and Visits	We will be endeavoring to confirm a number of Military camps and visits through out the year. The first being a 12 day Induction Camp at Waiouru Military Camp in term 1. Offered by the NZ Defence Force / YLSC.	1 - 4
Sports and Recreation	Sports and Recreation are import tools used in the Academy to promote and foster team work and physical fitness. Representing College teams will be encouraged. There are some exciting options that can be used in training; some of these are noted in our course block syllabus.	1 - 4
Health, Safety and Nutrition	Health, safety and nutrition are important ingredients to life. The academy will assist students to understand the complexities of good health, safety and nutrition through out the year. Mediums that may be used in delivery are noted in our course block syllabus.	1 - 4
Cultural Development	Academy students will be introduced to our Academy haka, written specifically for the Academy. They will also be encouraged to pursue their own individual cultural interests provided at Mana College	1 - 4