# School-developed Learning and Assessment Plan form

Stage 2 Philosophy

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| School |  | | Teacher(s) |  |
| Other schools using this plan | |  | | |

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| SACE school code | | |  | Year |  | Enrolment code | | | | |  | Program variant code (A–W) |
| Stage | Subject code | | | No. of credits (10 or 20) |
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| School use only   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Approved |  | Not approved |  |  |      |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Signature of Principal/delegate |  | Date |  | |

Addendum

Please only use this section for any changes made after the learning and assessment plan has been approved.  
Changes made to the learning and assessment plan

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| Describe any changes made to the pre-approved learning and assessment plan to support students to be successful in meeting the requirements of the subject. In your description, please explain:  what changes have been made to the plan  the rationale for making the changes  whether these changes have been made for all students, or for individuals within the student group. |

Endorsement of changes

The changes made to the learning and assessment plan support student achievement of the performance standards and retain alignment with the subject outline.

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| Signature of principal or delegate |  | Date |  |

# Assessment overview

Stage 2 Philosophy – 20 credits

Complete the table below to show details of the planned tasks. Use numbers to show where students will have the opportunity to provide evidence for each of the specific features for all assessment design criteria..

Assessment Type 1:Argument Analysis – weighting 25%

| Assessment details | Assessment design criteria | | | | Assessment conditions  (e.g. task type, word length, time allocated, supervision) |
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| KU | RA | CA | C |
| Argument Analysis from Contemporary Media eg TED talk of students choice.  Analyse at least two arguments found within a TED talk.  Demonstrate ability to put key arguments into standard form and use argument terminology accurately.  Critical analysis of the truth of each premise is essential (premise type, evidence, credibility etc) |  | 2 | 1 | 1,2 | 1,000 words  There is a maximum of 1000 words if written, or a maximum of 7 minutes if oral, or equivalent in multimodal form. |
| Argument Analysis of a philosophical text.  Analyse one or two arguments from a philosophical text of your choice. Eg a short ethical essay by Peter Singer.  Demonstrate ability to put key arguments into standard form, identify whether the arguments are deductive or inductive, use argument terminology accurately, and analyse premises with depth.. |  | 2 | 1 | 1,2 | 1,000 words (one of these argument analysis pieces must be written) |

Assessment Type 2: Issues Analysis – weighting 45%

| Assessment details | Assessment design criteria | | | | Assessment conditions  (e.g. task type, word length, time allocated, supervision) |
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| KU | RA | CA | C |
| Ethics- Contemporary ethical issue  Students choose an ethical issue and analyse the issue from the perspectives of two ethical philosophical frameworks – Utilitarianism and Kant. CA is included as each approach has its limitations and these should be identified as well. | 1,2 | 1,2,3 | 1 | 1,2 | written, oral, or in multimodal form  maximum of 1500 words if written or a maximum of 10 minutes if oral, or the equivalent in multimodal form. At least one assessment should be presented in writing. |
| Epistemology-  Philosophy of science. Choose an area of science where there has been a paradigm shift in knowledge and analyse this through the perspectives of Popper and Kuhn.  Or  Truth. In an era of ‘alternative facts’ discuss the problem of truth using truth theories and skepticism. | 1,2 | 1,2 |  | 1,2 | written, oral, or in multimodal form  maximum of 1500 words if written or a maximum of 10 minutes if oral, or the equivalent in multimodal form. |
| Metaphyisics- Freewill Determinism  Students choose a crime and write a set of blog entries or letters to the editor that analyse the crime from the perspectives of three approaches (hard determinism, soft determinism and indeterminism or libertarianism) CA is included as entries should include critique of the other approaches/previous blog entries | 1,2 | 1,2 | 1 | 1,2 | maximum of 1500 words |

Assessment Type 3: Issues Study – weighting 30%

| Assessment details | Assessment conditions  (e.g. task type, word length, time allocated, supervision) |
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| External assessment | *Students examine a philosophical issue from any of the key areas, choosing the issue in negotiation with their teacher. Students consider the following questions:*  Why is it a philosophical issue?  What positions do various philosophers hold?  What are the philosophers’ reasons for holding these positions?  What objections or counter examples are relevant to these positions?  What is the student’s own position, and why?  Written form, but it need not be in an essay format and could include dialogue or any other written form. Maximum of 2000 words in a choice of written forms. |

*Six assessments. Please refer to the Stage 2 Philosophy subject outline.*