



**ADELAIDE**  
HIGH SCHOOL

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**LANGUAGES PROGRAM**



**Government of South Australia**  
Department for Education and  
Child Development



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## LANGUAGES AT ADELAIDE HIGH SCHOOL

Language learning enables deep and authentic global citizenship.

Adelaide High School is South Australia's only Special Interest Language School. Special Interest Language students study 2 languages other than English up until the end of Year 10, and many continue their study into the Senior School. Special entry is based on performance in a range of aptitude tests, an interview and a primary school report. Information about this process is available from Adelaide High School and all primary schools in early March.

Languages study is compulsory for all other students in the Middle School. Students may wish to study 1 or 2 languages, with the opportunity to continue their language study into the Senior School.

Students select from French, German, Italian, Japanese, Chinese (Mandarin), Modern Greek, Spanish and Auslan. A support program in English as an Additional Language is also offered.

### Motto

Non Scholae Sed Vitae  
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### Vision

Adelaide High School is a dynamic community which is passionate about learning for life.

**Wellbeing:** We encourage the social, emotional, intellectual and physical development of all members of our community. Respect, resilience and optimism help us flourish.

**Learning:** We nurture independent, creative and collaborative learners. Curiosity and innovation motivate us to excel individually and collectively.

**Culture:** We celebrate diversity, promote intercultural understandings and connect with communities here and across the world. We reflect on our past and learn in the present to shape our future.

### Priorities

We are committed to:

- 1. Wellbeing:** A safe and welcoming environment based upon mutual respect.
- 2. Learning:** Engaging and challenging learning experiences through:
  - Reflective, innovative and contemporary practices
  - Varied curriculum and co-curricular offerings
  - Learning within and beyond the classroom
- 3. Culture:** Developing compassionate, positive and contributing citizens.



## At Adelaide High, we believe learning a language offers the opportunity to:

- Engage authentically with the wider global community where multilingualism is the norm
- Develop literacy skills for English and further language learning
- Develop numeracy skills that enable global understandings
- Develop international mindedness and intercultural skills that add depth to identity and capacity to engage globally
- Develop cross cultural communication skills
- Participate in overseas study tours or exchanges
- Participate in local cultural events and the language speaking communities
- Develop global citizenship capabilities
- Gain skills and strategies to communicate in another language.

## At Adelaide High School:

- All students study a language until the end of Year 10
- Many students study two languages until the end of Year 10
- Many students study one of the seven languages offered in the Senior School and thereby gain University bonus points.

## Students at Adelaide High School:

- Enjoy a rich academic culture where language study is highly valued
- May be accelerated in their languages study depending on their proficiency
- May take up languages study in the senior years in SACE accelerated or background courses
- Are encouraged to participate in the study tours abroad
- Join student-led language clubs and tutorial sessions
- Take part in national ACER ALC tests
- Frequently have the opportunity to host students from other countries.

## Exchanges and Study Tours

Adelaide High School has established sister school relationships to support the Languages program. Currently, Adelaide High School has sister school links with:

- Asahi High School in Osaka, Japan
- Heriburg Gymnasium in Coesfeld, Nord Rhein Westfalen, Germany
- IES La Sislea in Sonsecas, Spain
- IIS Quintino Sella in Biella, Italy
- Jinan Foreign Language School in Jinan, China
- Lycée Saint Sauveur in Redon, Brittany, France
- 7th High School of Corfu, Greece

The annual exchanges and study tours – both incoming and outgoing – develop students' language and communication skills, intercultural experiences and international understandings.



## **For further information contact**

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Parents are invited to contact Adelaide  
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to arrange an appointment with the  
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any concerns or to ask any questions.

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