Drama General

Year 11 Course Code	GEDRA
Year 12 Course Code	GTDRA
Cost	\$70.00 (cost is approximate – subject to change)

Year 11 Overview

The Drama General course focuses on drama in practice and aesthetic understanding as students integrate their knowledge and skills. They engage in drama processes such as improvisation, play building, text interpretation, playwriting and dramaturgy. This allows them to create original drama and interpret a range of texts written or devised by others by adapting the theoretical approaches of drama practitioners like Stanislavski and Brecht. Students' work in this course includes production and design aspects involving directing, scenography, costumes, props, promotional materials, and sound and lighting. Increasingly, students use new technologies, such as digital sound and multimedia. They present drama to make meaning for a range of audiences and adapt their drama to suit different performance settings. The focus in this course is primarily on ensemble performance and team work.

Year 11 Course Structure

Unit 1 – Dramatic storytelling

This unit engages students with the skills, techniques and conventions of dramatic storytelling.

Unit 2 – Drama performance events

This unit focuses on drama performance events for an audience other than their class members.

Year 12 Overview

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Year 12 Structure

Unit 3 - Representational, realist drama

This unit focuses on representational, realistic drama. Students explore techniques of characterisation through different approaches to text interpretation, particularly those based on the work of Stanislavski and others.

Unit 4 – Presentational, non-realist drama

This unit focuses on presentational, non-realist drama. Students explore techniques of role and/or character through different approaches to text interpretation, particularly those based on the work of Brecht and others.