Experience Sharing

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Optimising the Four Senior Secondary Core Subjects

Creating Space

To cater for learner diversity, creating space within the curriculum is essential for accommodating different learning styles and needs.

Elective Courses

Providing different elective subjects for the 2023-2024 academic year allows students to pursue their interests and strengths.

Options for An Additional Elective Subject

HKDSE Category A

- Mathematics Extended Part (M2)
- Biology

HKDSE Category B

- 1. Vocational English
- 2. Pâtisserie and Café Operations
- 3. Electrical and Energy Engineering
- 4. Exercise and Fitness Coaching

Purposes of Providing ApL Vocational English (VocE)

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1st Cohort

2nd Cohort

3rd Cohort

21-23 with 2 ApL Courses

22-24 with 3 ApL Courses

23-25 with 4 ApL Courses

1 Foundation

To strengthen students' English foundation.

2 Preparation

To help prepare students for their future studies and career development.

3 Options

To provide an option for students who are still in search of their goal.

4 Interests

To cater for students' different interests, abilities, and aspirations.

Why Do Students Choose This Course?

1 Business

"I want to do business in the future, and I want to learn some business English."

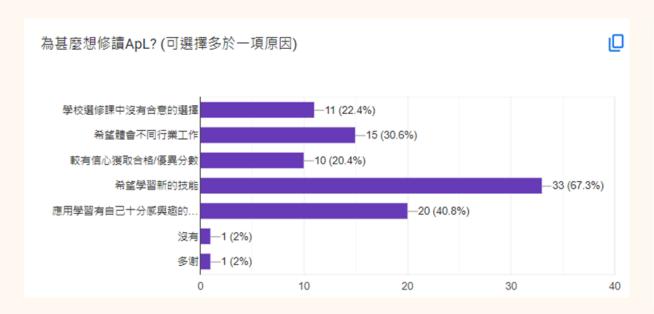
3 Exams

"I want to improve my English so that I can do better in my DSE exams." 2 Travel

"I want to speak better English so that I can travel to different places."

4 Preference

"I don't like the other options. So I chose Vocational English."





Considerations for Providing ApL(VocE)

Service Provider

Selection of a service provider is crucial, considering factors like venue, curriculum, timetable, and student support.

Timetable

Integration within the school timetable and flexibility in scheduling are important for effective learning.

Curriculum

Course content, assessment scheme, and learning & teaching activities are key elements of the curriculum.

Support

Ensuring adequate student support, whether onsite or remote, is essential for student success.

Timetabling

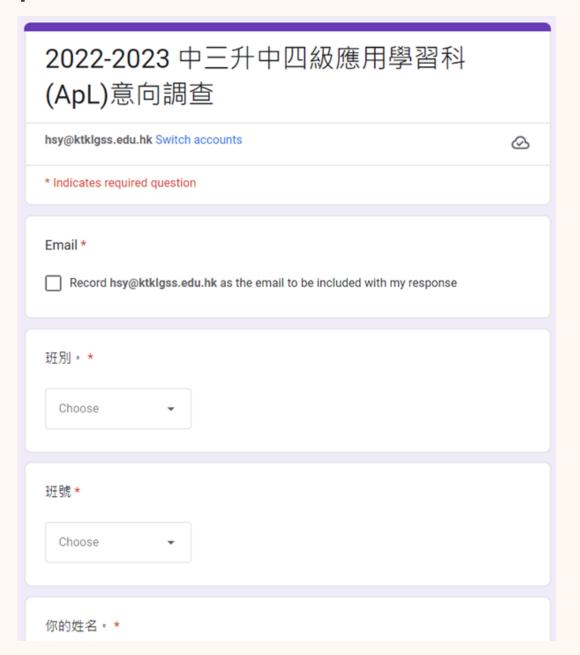
Including Vocational English in the school timetable is a strategic approach to ensure that it is accessible to all students.

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Student Selection Criteria – ApL(VocE)

- ◆ Student's preference
- Student's English subject performance
- ◆ English teacher's comment





Programme Name	Certificate in Applied Learning (Vocational English) – English for Service Professionals (QF Level 3)				
Mode	2	Cohort	2024-26 ECC		
Number of Class	1	Class Code	K		
ApL Tutor	Ms Fou Oi Ying (M1 Lesson 2-13)				

Module 1: Certificate in Applied Learning (Vocational English) - English for Service

Professionals [Listening and Speaking] (OF Level 2), 40 hours

Lesson Number	Date	Time	Venue	
1 2	September 7, 2023 (Thu.) September 14, 2023 (Thu.) Red rainstorm September 21, 2023 (Thu.)	_	Kwun Tong Kung Lok Government Secondary School Address: 90 Kung Lok Road,	
3	September 28, 2023 (Thu.)	1:40 pm to 4:40 pm		
4	October 5, 2023 (Thu.)			
5	October 12, 2023 (Thu.)			
6	October 19, 2023 (Thu.)			
7	November 2, 2023 (Thu.)	1		
8*	November 9, 2023 (Thu.)*	1:40 pm to 5:10 pm		
9	November 16, 2023 (Thu.)	X 8 8	Kwun Tong,	
10	November 23, 2023 (Thu.)	1:40 pm to 4:40 pm	Kowloon	
11	November 30, 2023 (Thu.)			
12	December 7, 2023 (Thu.)			
13**	December 14, 2023 (Thu.)**	1:40 pm to 5:10 pm		

^{*}Listening, Grammar and Vocabulary Test (10%)

Module 2: Certificate in Applied Learning (Vocational English) - English for Service Professionals [Reading and Writing] (QF Level 2), 40 hours

Lesson Number	Date	Time	Venue	
January 25, 2024 (Thu.)				
2	February 1, 2024 (Thu.)		Kwun Tong Kung Lok Government Secondary School	
3	February 22, 2024 (Thu.)			
4	February 29, 2024 (Thu.)	1:40 pm to 4:40 pm		
5	March 7, 2024 (Thu.)			
6	March 14, 2024 (Thu.)			
7	March 21, 2024 (Thu.)			
8*	April 11, 2024 (Thu.)*	1:40 pm to 5:10 pm	Address:	
9 April 18, 2024 (Thu.)		1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -	90 Kung Lok Road,	
10	April 25, 2024 (Thu.)	1-40 1-4-40	Kwun Tong,	
May 2, 2024 (Thu.)		1:40 pm to 4:40 pm	Kowloon	
12	May 9, 2024 (Thu.)	Annual Control of the		
13**	May 23, 2024 (Thu.)**	1:40 pm to 5:10 pm		

^{*}Reading, Grammar and Vocabulary Test (10%)

#Note: 6 June 2024 (Thu.) is reserved for make-up class.

Role of English Teacher – Coordinator

- The English teacher acts as a coordinator, collaborating with the Careers and Life Planning Team and the Coordinator of ApL Courses, and supports subject selection for parents and students.
- The English teacher ensures communication with the course provider/tutor to cater for students' learning needs.

^{**}Individual Speaking Assessment (10%)

^{**}Writing Assessment (10%)

Role of English Teacher – Student Support

1 Relevance

Help them understand the relevance and importance of the course.

2 Application

Help them relate what they are learning to their daily lives or their future careers.

3 Encouragement
Give students encouragement.

Role of English Teacher – Logistics

Materials

Distributing the course materials to students.

Equipment

Ensuring all equipment and devices are ready.

Reminders

Giving students reminders.

Attendance

Taking the attendance.

Check-Ups

Conducting friendly, informal check-up rounds.

Progress

Communicating with the tutor and assessing students' learning progress.

Follow-Up

Following up on any students' needs.

Challenges and Solutions

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Participation

Addressing students' participation and performances.

Assessment

Improving assessment results.

Administration

Managing administrative work with the Coordinator of all other ApL courses.

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Tips for Offering ApL(VocE)

Informed Decisions

- To help students make informed decisions, we ensure that students understand the ApL(VocE) qualification, know the differences between the English Curriculum (Core) and ApL(VocE)
- To help understand that they will have to fulfil the learning hours requirements (80 hours in S4, 100 hours in S5). Therefore, they may need to have longer lessons than other students or they may need to have lessons on non-school days (post-exam periods, summer holidays)

Collaboration

• To collaborate with the Careers and Life Planning Team and Coordinator of ApL courses in supporting students before and during the course.

Thank you!