STRUCTURE OF NCEA COURSES

NCEA LEVEL 2

80 Credits

20 credits from Level 1 could be used

Plus

60 credits from any subject at Level 2

Unit Standards

All internally assessed through the year

Each Unit Standard is worth a certain number of credits

Results can be

Achieved (A)

Not Achieved (N)

Achievement Standards

Internally assessed

Externally assessed at the end of year

Each Achievement Standard is worth a certain number of credits

Results can be

- Achieved (A)
- Achieved with merit (M)
- Achieved with excellence (E)
- Not Achieved (N)

Students need 8 credits at level 2 literacy to enrol at Tertiary institutions.
Students also need 14 credits at Level 1 mathematics to gain University Entrance.
Can lead to Level 3 or to other specified qualifications at higher levels.