

2015 Annual Report

Independent Learning Centre
Naracoorte High School
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Independent Learning Centre 2015

We have had an exciting year at the ILC in 2015.

2015 has been a very busy year at the Independent Learning Centre Naracoorte Campus. Tammy Schinckel has continued as Campus Manager and Lisa Riley as a .8 teacher, and Mick Dennis as a .2 teacher. Joanna Menz continued as a full time Social Worker at the ILC. Andrea Henschke continued on for 18 hours a week in Administration, taking over the major responsibility of attendance.

Kay Hole was employed for two hours a week and delivered Community Studies Art to our students. We employed Loraine Dixon – Community Camera Club member as an HPI for 2 hours a week to assist Lisa in the delivery of Photography. We also employed RE-Engage to assist in the delivery of Drum Beat and Deadly Treadly. We continued to run an Evolve programme – a well-being programme based upon local community members coming to the ILC weekly to run sessions for the students covering various topics from financial advice, women's health, mental health and wellbeing and nutrition and health to name a few, in the first semester. In Semester two we ran a similar programme for boys called Step Up and ran Free to Be, an extension to Evolve for the girls. We continued with the popular Garden group and have two plots at the Naracoorte Community Garden.

We used a \$10,000 grant that we were successful in obtaining from Arbonne Charitable Foundation to run a second Mental Health Forum in Naracoorte Town Hall. The Naracoorte Rotary Club also sponsored the event to the value of \$1000 to get the Black Dog Institute to Naracoorte. The 6 students involved in organising this event did an amazing job, and over 1000 people attending from the South East. We attracted 29 different organisations to attend on the day and provide interactive activities for all of the students attending. The event was run in two parts all students spent 1 hour in the EXPO and then 1 hour in a workshop with The Black Dog Institute.

Throughout 2015, 56 people have accessed the ILC. We have an enrolment of approximately 50 students at any one time. 80% of our students are FLO. Students ranged from 14 years of age – 75 years of age. 58% of our students are employed either part or full time. 29% are on School Based Apprenticeships.

100% of our students were involved in programmes that accessed community links and connection to our Naracoorte Community.

6 students achieved a Gold award for obtaining between 100 and 150 SACE Credits this year. 19 received a Silver Award for achieving 50 – 90 SACE credits this year and 18 received a Bronze award for achieving between 10 and 40 SACE credits this year. For those that were not resulted for any SACE Credits it was pleasing that 12 of the 13 left the ILC for full time employment prior to resulting dates.

Attendance has continued to be a focus of the ILC this year and our average attendance for 2015 was 96%, up 10% from last year.

In recognition this year, we won the Naracoorte and Lucindale Council Young Citizen of the Year Award with the work undertaken with the Mental Health Forum in 2014 and the Cambodia trip in 2014. We had four staff nominated in the SA Excellence in Public Teaching awards and the Centre itself. We were also a Finalist in the SA Great Awards in the Flinders University Education category. Two of our

students Thomas Fogarty and Mieka Crook were regional finalists in the School Based Apprentice of the Year Awards and Thomas went on to be one of four finalist in the State School Based Apprentice of the Year awards. We were recognised as a best practice Independent Learning Centre in the Southern region of South Australia and a model for other schools to follow, and presented at a state education conference for best practices of flexible education at the Convention Centre in Adelaide.

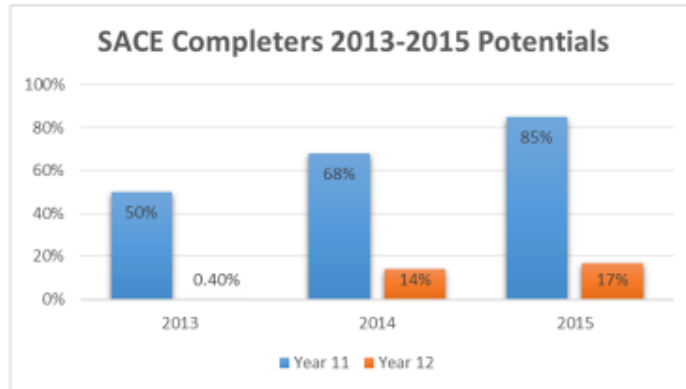
We were successful in obtaining a grant for \$10,000 from the Arbonne Charitable Foundation to run a second Mental Health Forum this year. We have recently found out that we have been successful in winning a grant for \$85,000 with ICAN to establish a Naracoorte Community Learning Hub in 2016. Along with another grant from ICAN for \$1500 towards equipment purchasing to support program delivery.

Several students have been recognised and supported during the year by grants from the Stand like Stone Foundation – we thank them for their support.

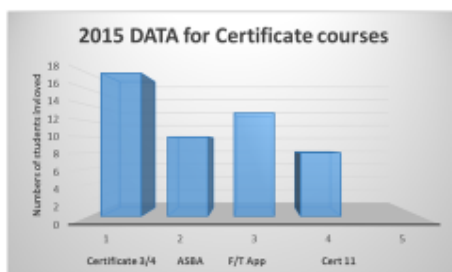
We look forward to more success stories in 2016, as we provide the best educational opportunity for people who can work independently and need flexibility in their study life for other commitments.

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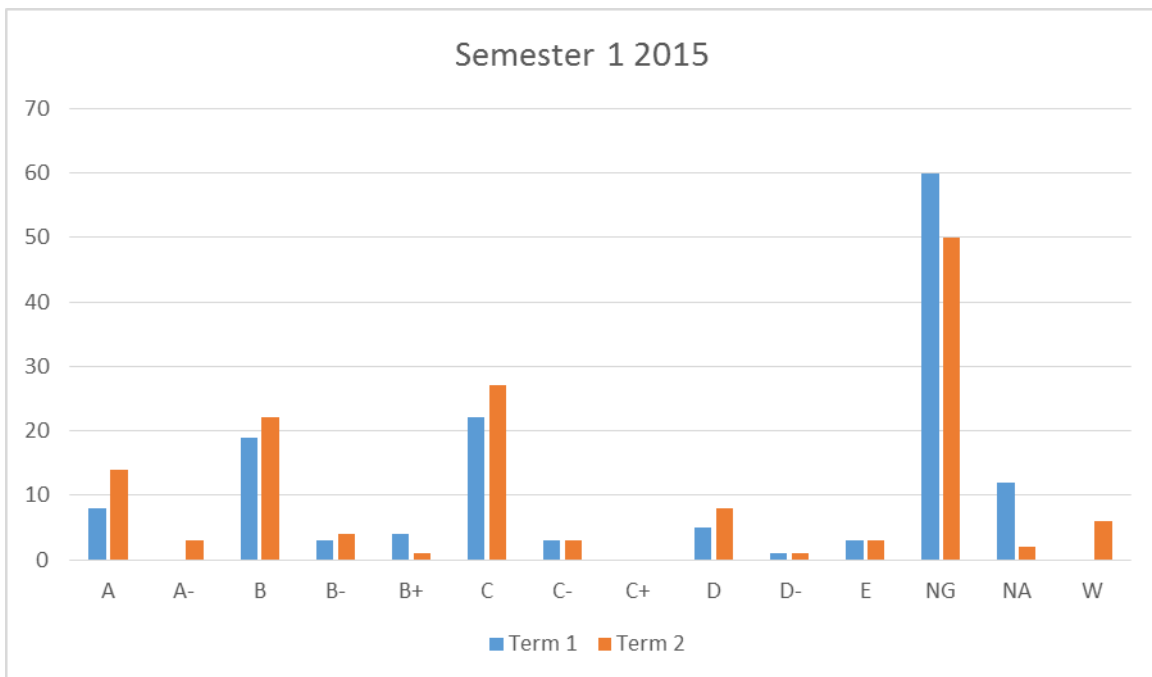
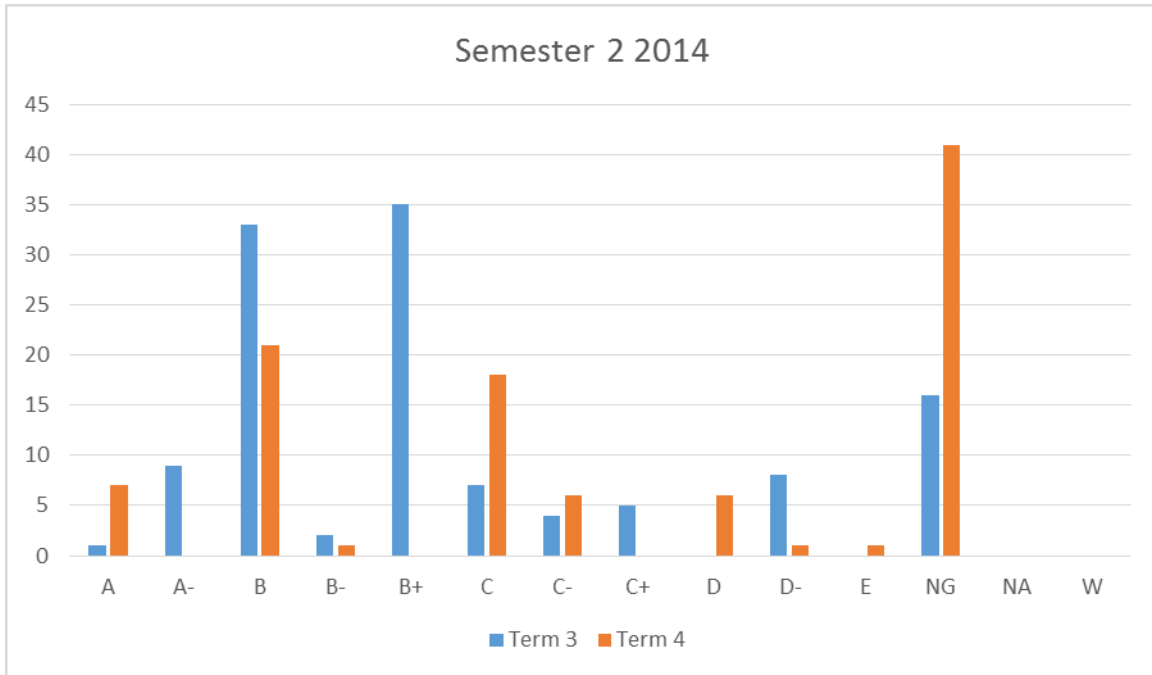


Certificate courses completed or undertaken

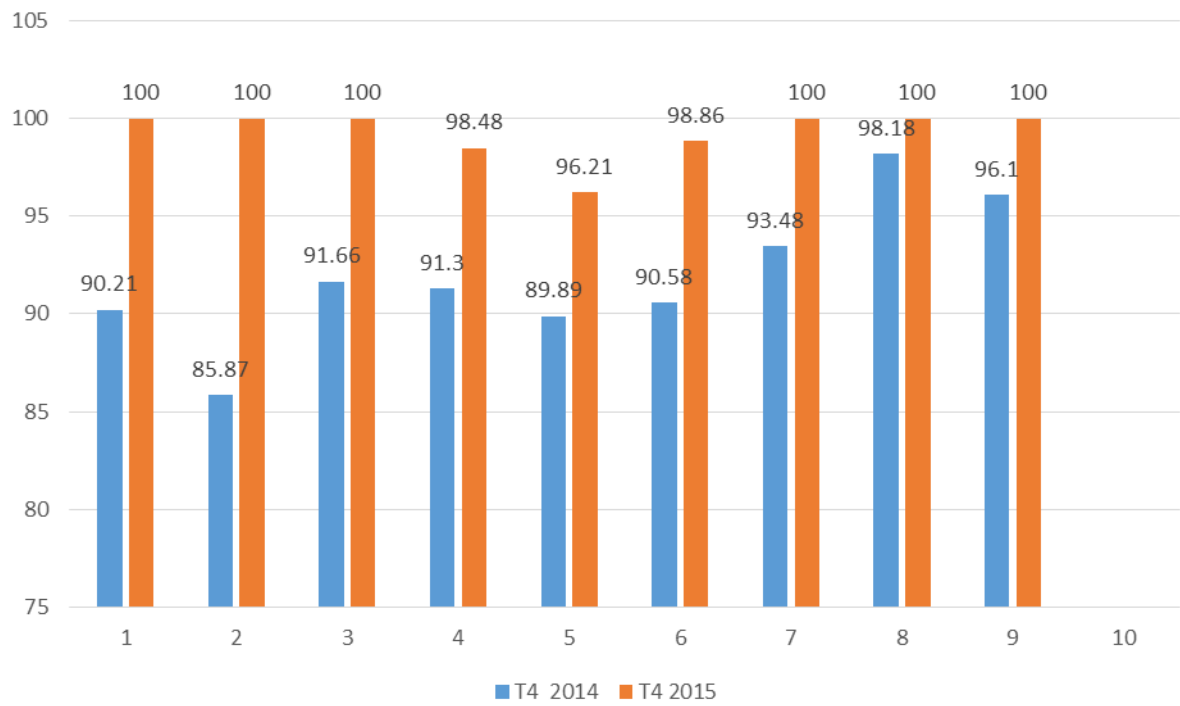


Areas that ILC students are undertaken certificate, ASBA's or apprenticeships courses in:

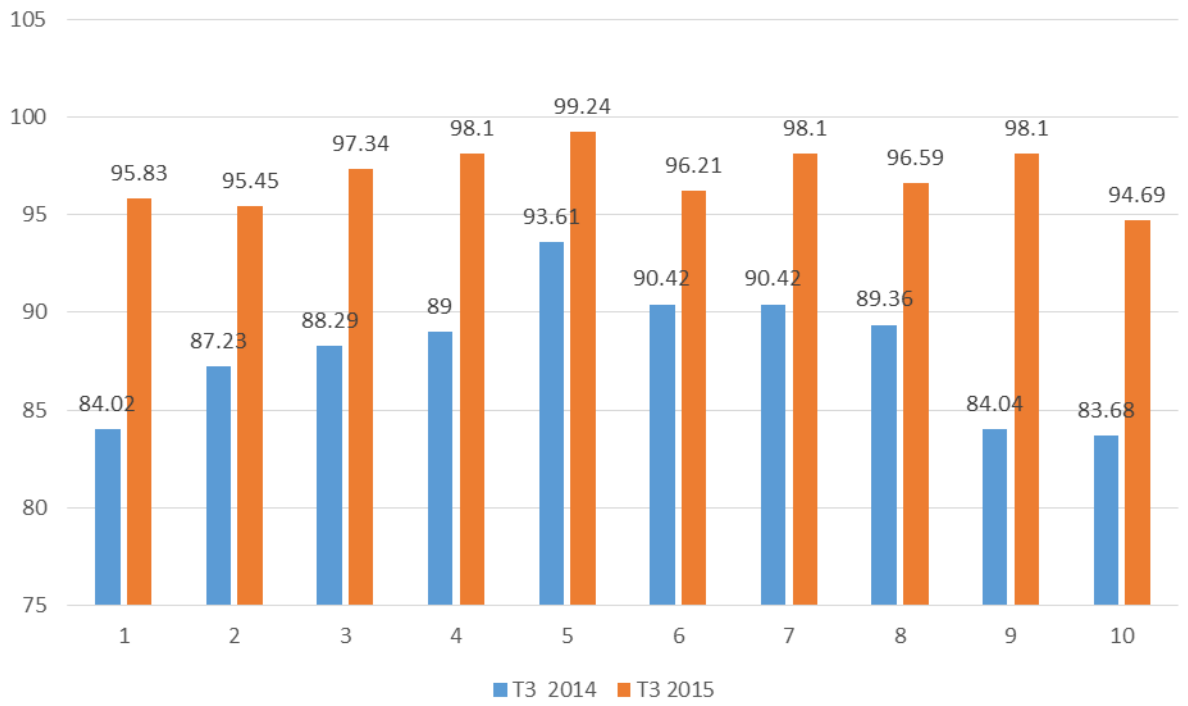
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- Engineering
- Furnishings
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- Automotive
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- Shearing
- Wool Handling
- Retail
- Hospitality
- Horticulture
- Aged Care
- Children's Services



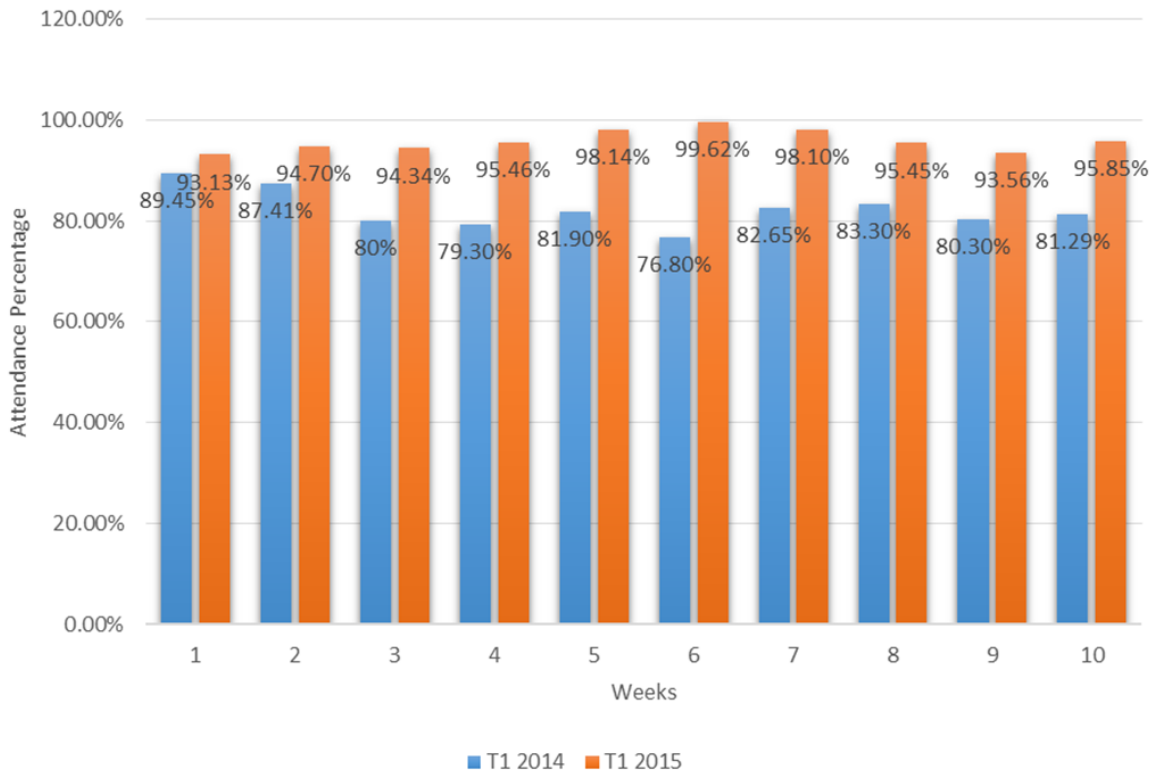
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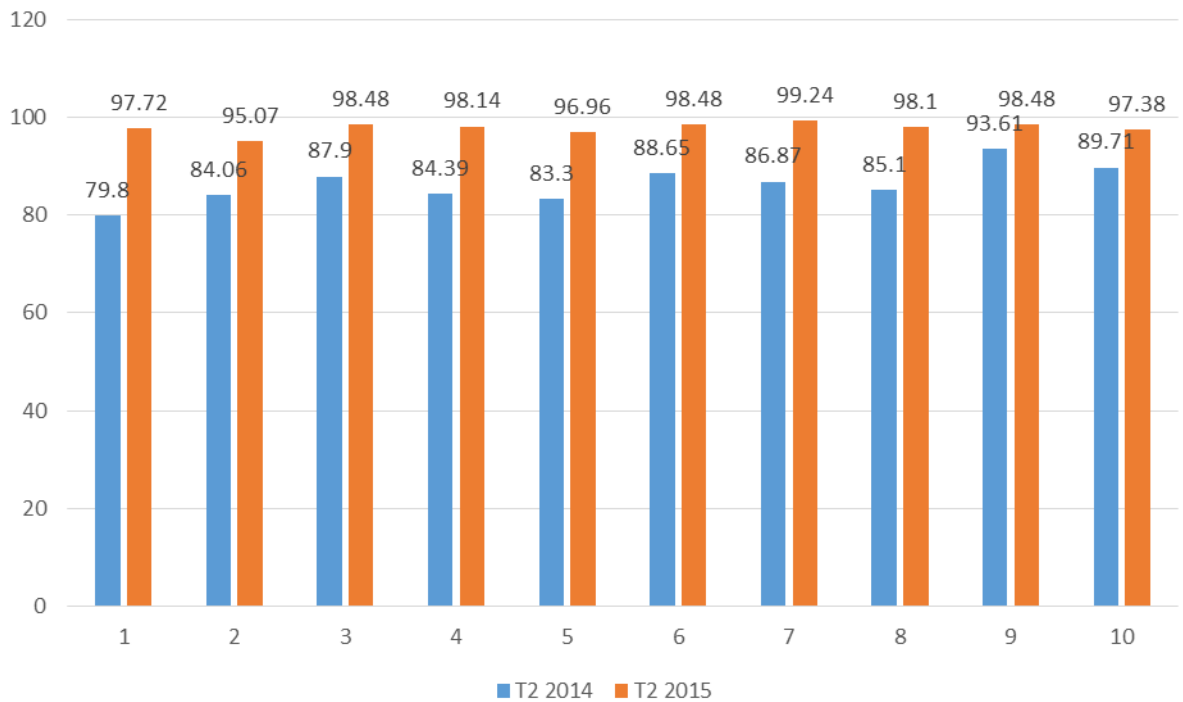
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Attendance Term 1 2014 vs 2015



Attendance Comparison Term 2



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