ACARA improves the learning of all young Australians through world-class school curriculum, assessment and reporting.

Step 1: Blueprint
We work with leading educators to develop a “shape” for the curriculum.

What do we look at?
- Educational goals for young Australians
- Key research
- Learning needs in the 21st century
- Leading national and international curriculum

Number of respondents: 7,339 across 12 Shape Papers

Step 2: Writing
We work for about 18 months with experts and advisors to draft a curriculum. Public consultation is open for about 10 weeks.

During the writing phase, we received the following number of consultation responses: 12,541.

Both individuals and groups respond. One submission from a state or territory may represent the views of hundreds of teachers. We analyse feedback and revise the curriculum.

Step 3: Trialling
We trial the curriculum to make sure it works in classrooms. 2,168 teachers trialled the curriculum in primary and secondary schools across Australia.

Step 4: Approval
The curriculum is then approved by the ACARA Board and all Education Ministers.

Step 5: Teaching
The Australian curriculum is published at www.australiancurriculum.edu.au

States and territories work with their schools to implement the curriculum. In 2014 all states and territories have begun to implement F-10 Australian Curriculum

Step 6: Monitoring
From 2014 we will report annually on feedback about the effectiveness of the curriculum.

We make decisions about change carefully, balanced against the need for curriculum stability.

Under the new national curriculum
3,674,220 young people across Australia will access a world-class curriculum that equips them to become successful learners, confident and creative individuals and active, informed citizens.

* Figures drawn from 2012 and 2013 consult periods