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VCE and VCE VM – 2023

Information Evening

20 July 2022

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Welcome

Maria Haggett

Reflection and Acknowledgement of Country

Reflection

Loving God,

You call us to fullness of life.

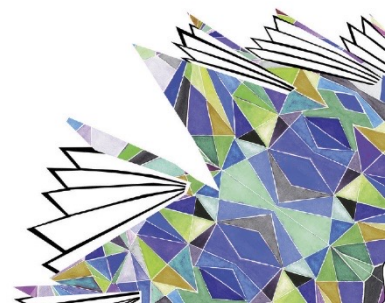Thank you for the gift of quality education that is provided here.

We pray that you help us to make the most of the opportunities that are offered to us to share our gifts and so experience life in all its fullness.

May the years we spend here be not only enjoyable but help us to grow as individuals made in your image.

Bless the students, staff and families - past, present and future - as they are the heart and soul of this College.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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Acknowledgement of Country

Today we stand in footsteps millennia old.
May we acknowledge the traditional owners
whose cultures and customs have nurtured,
and continue to nurture, this land,
since men and women
awoke from the great dream.
We honour the presence of these ancestors
who reside in the imagination of this land
and whose irrepressible spirituality
flows through all creation.

Overview of the Evening

Welcome – Maria Haggett
Overview of the Evening – Julie Stewart

VCE & VCE-VM 2023 Program

This presentation will include:

a. Subject Selection Process & Timeline – Julie Stewart
b. Introduction of VCE-VM in 2023 – Tara Baker
c. Pathways Planning – Andy Donnelly
d. Program Planning – Tara Baker
e. VET – Andy Donnelly
d. VTAC and the ATAR – Andy Donnelly
e. Subject Selection Resources and Support - Julie Stewart

Meet the Panellists:

Maria Haggett – Principal
Julie Stewart – Deputy Principal - Learning
Shae Mayes – Deputy Principal – Staff & Student
Tara Baker – VCE Learning Leader

Grace Tobin – Applied Pathways Learning Leader
Amanda Bischof-Foster – Year 11 Learning Leader
Andy Donnelly – Careers Counsellor

Subject Selection Process for VCE | VCE-VM – 2023

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Subject Selection Process – Key Dates & Events

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Wednesday 20 July

- Curriculum Information Night

Thursday 21 July

- Subject Taster Day for Years 9 (one lesson) and 10 students (all day)

Thursday 28 July

- Students receive Subject Selection username/password
- Subject and Tertiary Expo @6-8pm

Monday 1 August – Wednesday 10 August

- Year 9 and 10 students Pathways Planning and Subject Selection Interviews

Friday 12 August

- Subject selection must be completed online

Wednesday 24 August

- Year 12 2022 & 2023 Parent & Student VTAC Information Session @7pm via Zoom
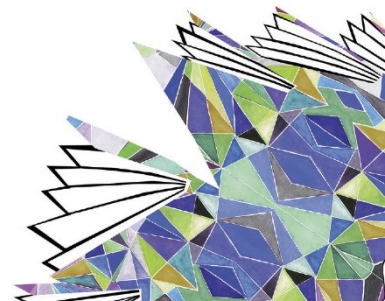
Changes to VCE coming in 2023

The VCE VM 2023

- VCE remains the same

- VCE Vocational Major (VM) is a new program integrated within the VCE – replacing Intermediate and Senior VCAL
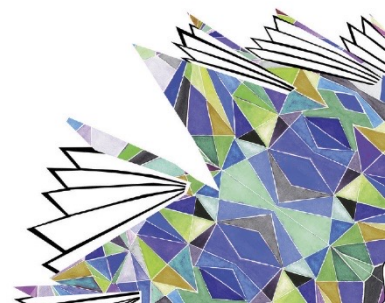
Certificate options

Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE)	
	VCE Vocational Major (VM)

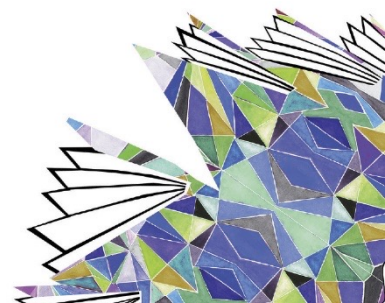| Apprenticeships, traineeships, VET, university (ATAR) or work	Apprenticeships, traineeships, VET, university (through alternative entry programs) or work

VCE

Victorian Certificate of Education

- Two-year senior secondary certificate
- 20 to 24 units – one unit is one semester
- More than 90 subjects (called studies) to choose from, plus Vocational Education and Training subjects (VET)
- A study has Units 1 and 2 (Year 11) and Units 3 and 4 (Year 12)
- An English study is compulsory
- School assessments and final exams lead to study scores
- Study scores lead to an ATAR

VCE Vocational Major – a program within the VCE

- Two-year senior secondary certificate

- 16 to 20 units

- Four compulsory subjects VCE VM: Literacy, Numeracy, Personal Development Skills, Work Related Skills

- Compulsory VET subject

- Gain credit from time in workplace

- Assessment based on learning activities

- No study scores and no ATAR

VET

Vocational Education and Training (VET)

- Nationally recognised training
- Develop industry specific knowledge and practical skills
- More than 40 certificate qualifications across 27 VCE VET programs
- Different schools offer different VET courses
- Often undertaken at local TAFE or in-school options

Which VCE Certificate is right for me?

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Each pathway builds on the learning strengths and aspirations of the student

VCE student

Classroom focus where you:

- build deep knowledge of a subject area
- apply theoretical skills and knowledge through experiments, practical activities.

Add a vocational focus through a VET subject.

VCE Vocational Major student

Applied learning focus where you:

- concentrate on your future through real world learning contexts
- learn in a classroom, the workplace, and community

You'll develop project management skills and an understanding of others.

Pathways beyond VCE

Senior secondary education	Further study options	Employment options
VCE	**Tertiary study options requiring an ATAR** (e.g. for university and TAFE)	Apprenticeship or employment
VCE VM	**Tertiary study options that don't require an ATAR** (e.g. for apprenticeships, traineeships, further education and training, alternate university entry and workforce entry)	Apprenticeship or employment

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PATHWAYS PLANNING

TO INFORM SUBJECT SELECTION

Choosing the right pathway

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What do you want to do after finishing secondary school?

Further study / work?

Don't know yet? That's ok.

Think about your interests and strengths.

Read the information provided

talk to careers staff / teachers / parents.

Andy Donnelly – Careers Coordinator

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How to choose

The ideal combination is made up of studies that:
- You enjoy
- You are good at
- Reflect your study interests
- Help you meet your goals
- Meet any prerequisites
- Provide you with options

What if I just don't know?

If you have no idea which studies you want to take up after school, don't panic!
Keep your VCE study program broad across different studies and go back to basics:
What you love doing, what you are interested in.
- It's not the only chance you'll have
- You can change your mind
- Many pathways to tertiary study and the career you want

VCAA Student Guides

WHERE TO NOW?
2023

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Success story
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Year 10
Biology
Units 1 and 2

Year 11
Biology
Units 3 and 4

Chemistry
Units 1 and 2

English
Units 1 and 2

Legal Studies
Units 1 and 2

General Mathematics
Units 1 and 2

Year 12
English
Units 3 and 4

Legal Studies
Units 3 and 4

Further Mathematics
Units 3 and 4

Psychology
Units 3 and 4

Texts and Traditions
Units 3 and 4
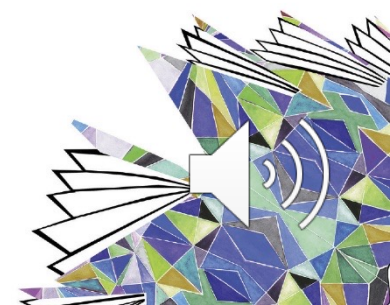
Why did you choose the VCE?

I chose the VCE because it allowed me to take the prerequisites for my dream course, criminology. The VCE seemed to be the most suitable option in terms of getting to my desired career pathway.

How did you choose your VCE studies?

I chose my VCE studies on a preference basis, rather than prerequisite basis. If you do what you enjoy, you are going to do well in it. Especially with the pressure surrounding Year 12, you want to incur minimal stress and maximum potential for mastery.

What is your advice to future VCE students?

The VCE is an amazing platform for you to really explore your potential. A lot of the time, students think the VCE is about assessing one's achievements merely through grades. Quite frankly, it is the opposite. Students are given a multitude of subjects to choose from. Don't put pressure on yourself and use the time to discover your interests, take subjects you enjoy and not ones that are 'scaled up'. At the end of the day, scaling is subject to statistical fluctuations, whereas passion has no measure to it and gets you where you need to be. In summation: believe and you will achieve.

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Success story

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Why did you choose the VCE?

I wanted to attend university in the future and I was up for the challenge. It felt really good finishing Year 12 and I was proud of myself. Although it was one of the most stressful and hardest times in my life, it was also one of the best. I got closer with my friends and learnt many things about myself, including how I study, my limits and how I can succeed.

How did you choose your VCE studies?

I did the subjects that I was passionate about and thought that I would enjoy. I didn't pick them based on the scaling or how hard they were perceived to be. I had to study Units 3 and 4 Biology in Year 12 without doing Units 1 and 2 because I hadn't done a VCE science subject. However, I ended up loving it and it was one of my highest study scores.

What is your advice to future VCE students?

Keep up with everything and try your best. Treat yourself to some chocolate occasionally. Your ATAR is going to be a lot better than you initially expect. Year 12 really isn't that bad when you think about it, so have some fun with it!

Year 10

Psychology
Units 1 and 2

Year 11

English
Units 1 and 2

Health and Human Development
Units 1 and 2

Geography
Unit 2

Psychology
Units 3 and 4

Theatre Studies
Units 3 and 4

Year 12

English
Units 3 and 4

Health and Human Development
Units 3 and 4

Legal Studies
Units 3 and 4

Geography
Units 3 and 4

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Prerequisite Studies

Prerequisites are VCE studies you must have completed to be eligible for selection into a course. They are set two years in advance so that Year 10 students can plan ahead.

What are prerequisites?

Prerequisites set the knowledge and skills you need to understand a course's content. If you haven't completed the prerequisite subjects (or equivalent) for a course, you won't be selected. This is why it is important to look ahead to what you might want to study after school, before selecting your Years 11 & 12 subjects.

Where do I find prerequisites ?

Prerequisites for 2025 booklet – in Canvas Subject Selection Resources and the VTAC Prerequisites and Course Explorer (vtac.edu.au/coursesearch)

Some examples

Bachelor of Accounting at Monash University: any English, and one of General Maths, Math Methods or Maths Specialist

Bachelor of Speech Pathology at ACU: any English and one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics

Bachelor of Sport and Exercise Science: any English and two of Biology, Chemistry, any Maths, PE or Physics

Bachelor of Science at University of Melbourne: any English, and one of Math Methods or Maths Specialist AND one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics

Bachelor of Public Health and Health Promotion at Deakin University: any English

VCE Structure

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│     Year 11     │          │     Year 12     │
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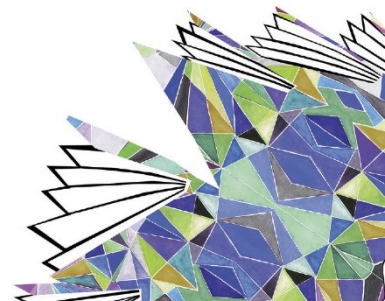
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1 Unit = 1 Semester
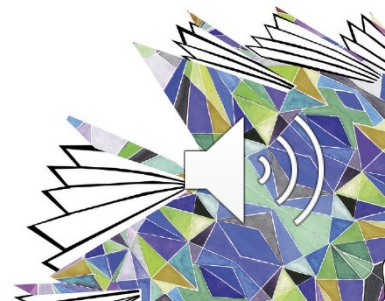
3+4 Units = Sequence

VCE Minimum Requirements

- Satisfactory completion of (minimum) 16 VCE or VET Units

- Including at least 3 English units

- Including a Unit 3/4 sequence in an English

- Three other Unit 3/4 sequences

VCE – Victorian Certificate of Education

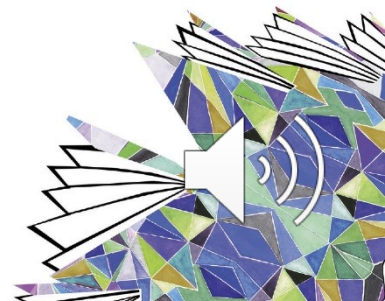VET – Vocational Education & Training

English Options – Year 11

English is the only compulsory subject in your VCE.

Students may choose ONE **or** TWO of the following options:

- Mainstream English

- Literature

- English Language

- English as an Additional Language

Assessment

Year 11

- School-assessed Coursework (SAC)
- School-assessed Tasks (SAT)
- Examinations (School set and marked)

Year 12

- School-assessed Coursework (SAC)
- School-assessed Tasks (SAT)
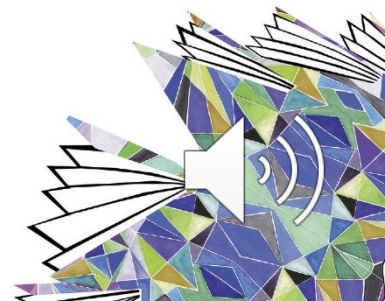- VCAA Examinations (externally set and assessed)

VCAA – Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority

VCE Year 11 Program Planning

Each individual block represents a semester unit. The last block, Religious Education, runs for the entire year (three periods per cycle).

Semester 1	An English Unit 1	Choice	Choice	Choice	Choice	Choice	11 R&S Unit 1 or 11 CAP
Semester 2	An English Unit 2	Choice	Choice	Choice	Choice	Choice	

VCE Year 12 Program Planning

The blocking remains similar in Year 12, however, generally a student undertakes five subjects plus RE in Year 12. This means that one of the subjects from Year 11 is not continued.

Semester 1	An English Unit 3/4 sequence	Unit 3/4	Unit 3/4	Unit 3/4	Unit 3/4	~~Choice~~	12 R&S **Unit 2** or 12 CAP
Semester 2						~~Choice~~	

Possible Year 11 Programs – Example 1

Semester 1	English Language Unit 1	General Maths Unit 1	Business Management Unit 1	VET Hospitality Unit 1	History Unit 1	Psychology Unit 1	11 CAP*
Semester 2	English Unit 2	General Maths Unit 2	Business Management Unit 2	VET Hospitality Unit 2	History Unit 2	Psychology Unit 2	

Advantages
- **Broad** range of subjects
- Benefits of VET

Disadvantages
- Only studying one unit of a sequence (English, English Language) will **not** maximise prior knowledge for Yr. 12

* Catholic Action Program cannot be undertaken in both Year 11 and 12 (Will require an application form)
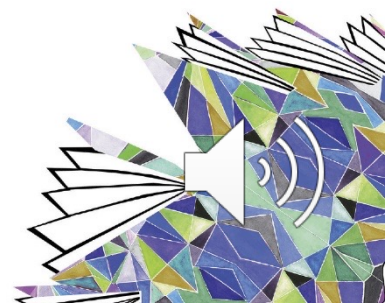
Possible Year 11 Programs – Example 2

Semester 1	English Unit 1	Literature Unit 1	History Unit 3	Media Unit 1	Art Creative Practice Unit 1	P.E. Unit 1	R & S Unit 1
Semester 2	English Unit 2	Literature Unit 2	History Unit 4	Media Unit 2	Art Creative Practice Unit 2	Legal Studies Unit 2	

Advantages
- No Mathematics
- Broad range of subjects
- 3/4 sequence (requires an Acceleration Application form)

Disadvantages
- No Mathematics
- You are strongly advised to study both Units 1 & 2 to be prepared for Units 3 & 4

Possible Year 11 Programs – Example 3

Semester 1	Literature Unit 1	History Unit 1	Religion & Society Unit 3	Maths Methods Unit 1	Chemistry Unit 1	Drama Unit 1	Study Periods 3PPC
Semester 2	Literature Unit 2	History Unit 2	Religion & Society Unit 4	Maths Methods Unit 2	Chemistry Unit 2	Drama Unit 2	

Advantages
- Broad range of subjects
- 3/4 sequence (requires an Acceleration Application form)
- Accelerated study of Religion and Society results in three study periods per cycle

Disadvantages
- Accelerated Study of Religion and Society results in three vs six study periods per cycle
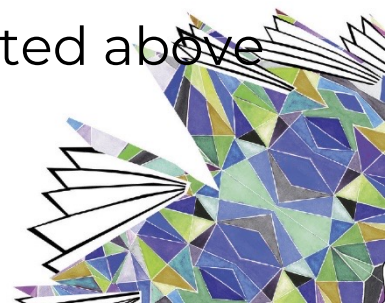
VCE – Vocational Major (VCE-VM)

Program Planning

VCE-VM Minimum Requirements

- Satisfactorily complete a total (minimum) of at least 16 Units of study over the two years of the VCE VM

- At least two of these units must be VET units at Certificate II level or above

- Satisfactorily completed units must include:
  - Three Literacy or VCE English units (including a Unit 3 and 4 sequence)
  - Two Numeracy or VCE Mathematics units
  - Two Work Related Skills units
  - Two Personal Developmental Skills units
  - Two VET Credits at Certificate II level or above (180 hours)
  - A minimum of four Unit 3-4 sequences which can include the units listed above as well as any VCE units

Possible VCE VM Program – Example 1

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Sample program: VCE-VM

YEAR 11	YEAR 12
VCE-VM Unit 1&2 Literacy	VCE-VM Unit 3&4 Literacy
VCE Unit 1&2 General Maths	VCE Unit 3&4 General Maths
VCE-VM Unit 1&2 PDS	VCE VM Unit 3&4 PDS
VCE-VM Unit 1&2 WRS	VCE VM Unit 3&4 WRS
SBAT Unit 1&2 Electrotechnology	SBAT Unit 3&4 Electrotechnology
VET Unit 1&2 SWL Recognition	VET Unit 1&2 SWL Recognition

*This student would not be eligible for an ATAR

VCE Vocational Major
- **Three** Literacy or VCE English units (including a Unit 3 and 4 sequence)
- **Three** other Unit 3 and 4 sequences
- **Two** Numeracy or VCE Mathematics units
- **Two** Work Related Skills units
- **Two** Personal Development Skills
- 180 hours of VET at Certificate II level or above

Students can also include other VCE subjects and structured workplace learning.

Possible VCE VM Program – Example 2

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Sample program: VCE-VM

Year 11	Year 12
VCE Unit 1&2 English	VCE Unit 3&4 English
VCE Unit 1&2 General Maths	VCE Unit 3&4 Further Maths
VET Unit 1&2 Allied Health	VET Unit 3&4 Allied Health
VCE Unit 1&2 Health & Human Development	VCE Unit 3&4 Health & Human Development
VCE-VM Unit 1&2 PDS	VCE-VM Unit 1&2 WRS
VET Unit 1 SWL Recognition	VET Unit 2 SWL Recognition

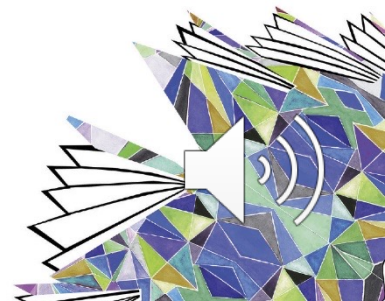*This student could receive 4 study scores and would be eligible for an ATAR

VCE Vocational Major
➢ **Three** Literacy or VCE English units (including a Unit 3 and 4 sequence)
➢ **Three** other Unit 3 and 4 sequences
➢ **Two** Numeracy or VCE Mathematics units
➢ **Two** Work Related Skills units
➢ **Two** Personal Development Skills
➢ 180 hours of VET at Certificate II level or above

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Possible VCE VM Program – Example 3

Sample program: VCE-VM

Year 11	Year 12
VCE-VM Unit 1 & 2 Literacy	VCE-VM Unit 3&4 Literacy
VCE-VM Unit 1&2 Numeracy	VCE-VM Unit 3&4 Numeracy
VCE-VM Unit 1&2 PDS	VCE-VM Unit 3&4 PDS
VCE-VM Unit 1&2 WRS	VCE-VM Unit 3&4 WRS
VET Unit 1&2 Hospitality	VET Unit 3&4 Hospitality
VET Unit 1 SWL Recognition	VET Unit 2 SWL Recognition

*This student would not be eligible for an ATAR

VCE Vocational Major
- **Three** Literacy or VCE English units (including a Unit 3 and 4 sequence)
- **Three** other Unit 3 and 4 sequences
- **Two** Numeracy or VCE Mathematics units
- **Two** Work Related Skills units
- **Two** Personal Development Skills
- 180 hours of VET at Certificate II level or above

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VCE-VM – How do I apply?

- To register your interest to undertake VCE-VM in 2023, complete the VCE-VM registration form available on the College Website

- Complete the VET selection form available on the College Website

- Complete the online subject selection

- See Grace Tobin, Applied Learning Leader / Sara Mugridge, VET Learning Leader / Tara Baker, VCE Learning Leader for further information

GENERAL ACHIEVEMENT TEST (GAT)

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General Achievement Test (GAT)

- All students enrolled in one or more VCE or scored VCE VET Unit 3-4 sequence will be required to sit Sections A and B. VCE VM students will sit Section A

- The GAT will be split into two sections:
- Section A will assess literacy and numeracy skills
- Section B will assess skills in mathematics, science, technology, the arts and humanities, with an increased focus on critical and creative thinking skills

- Why is the GAT important:

  - It allows for a derived score to be calculated in exceptional circumstances for scored VCE students
  - Senior VCAL students will receive a statement indicating whether they have met the literacy and numeracy standards. It will provide an additional opportunity for Senior VCAL students to demonstrate their skills and level of achievement.
  - It helps the school to analyse student assessments on a whole school level

- Try your best but do not study beyond what is covered at school
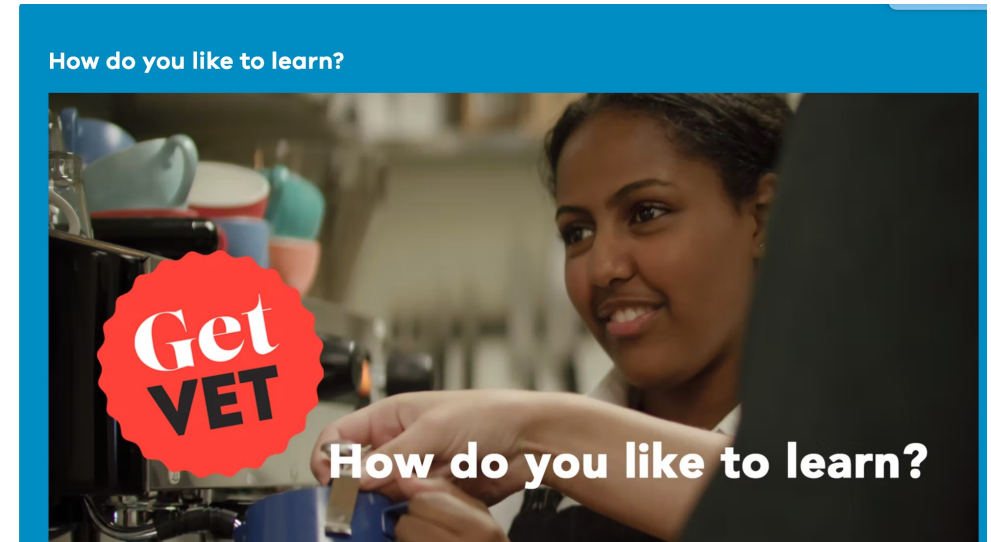- General Achievement Test Parent Information Sheet

Why choose a VET subject?
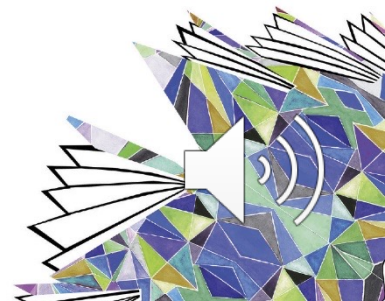
How do you like to learn?

- Study a subject you enjoy
- Add to your ATAR or VCE qualification (most VET courses carry full VCE unit status)
- Lead to an additional qualification at the end of your VCE/VCE-VM journey
- Provide a direct pathway to a TAFE course
- Provide credits towards TAFE and University courses
- Develop industry specific skills

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How do you like to learn?

Get VET

How do you like to learn?

Some examples of VET Studies

- **Hospitality – offered at Mater Christi College**
- Early Childhood
- Acting
- Equine (Horse Studies) – scored
- Community Services
- Engineering - scored
- Sport and Recreation – scored
- Hairdressing
- Beauty
- Tourism / Events Management
- Allied Health – scored

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How VET is Structured

- Usual entry is at Year 11

- Some students commence their VET program in Year 10 as an Accelerated Study and this subject counts for 2 elective units

- Students work through modules with outcomes being assessed for competency

- Assessment is based on students being able to perform tasks and demonstrate skills linked to a specific industry

Application Process

- Complete Mater Christi subject selection process and the VET enrolment form located on the College website

- If the application is accepted, students are enrolled in the VET subject of choice and will receive email confirmation of this.
- Parents will receive further information following completion of the application process

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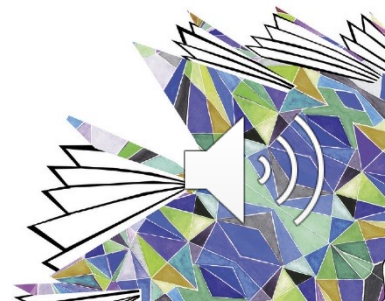## VCE VET program chart

VCE VET Program	VET Qualification	Units 1 & 2	Units 3 & 4	Scored	Non-scored
Agriculture, Horticulture, Conservation and Ecosystem Management	Certificate II in Agriculture	✓	✓		✓
	Certificate II in Horticulture	✓	✓		✓
	Certificate II in Conservation and Ecosystem Management	✓	✓		✓
Animal Care	Certificate II in Animal Care	✓	✓		✓
Applied Fashion Design and Technology	Certificate II in Applied Fashion Design and Technology	✓	✓		✓
Applied Language	Certificate II in Applied Language	✓			
	Certificate III in Applied Language		✓		✓
Automotive	Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation	✓	✓		✓
Building and Construction	Certificate II in Building and Construction Pre-apprenticeship	✓	✓		✓
	Certificate II in Construction Pathways	✓	✓		✓
Business	Certificate II in Workplace Skills	✓			
	Certificate III in Business	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cisco	CISCO CCNA v7		✓		✓
Civil Infrastructure	Certificate II in Civil Construction	✓	✓		✓
Community Services	Certificate II in Active Volunteering	✓			
	Certificate II in Community Service	✓			
	Certificate III in Community Services	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care	✓	✓		✓
Creative and Digital Media	Certificate II in Creative Industries	✓			
	Certificate III in Screen and Media	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dance	Certificate II in Dance	✓			
	Certificate III in Dance		✓	✓	✓
Electrical Industry	Certificate II in Electrotechnology Studies (Pre-vocational)	✓	✓		✓
	Certificate II in Electrotechnology (Career Start)	✓	✓		✓
Engineering Studies	Certificate II in Engineering Studies	✓	✓	✓	
Equine Studies	Certificate II in Equine Studies	✓	✓	✓	
Furnishing	Certificate II in Furniture Making Pathways	✓	✓	✓	
Hair and Beauty	Certificate II in Retail Cosmetics	✓			
	Certificate II in Salon Assistant	✓			
	Certificate III in Beauty Services	✓	✓		✓
	Certificate III in Make-Up	✓	✓		✓
Health	Certificate II in Health Support Services	✓			
	Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Certificate III in Health Services Assistance	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hospitality	Certificate II in Hospitality	✓	✓	✓	
	Certificate II in Kitchen Operations	✓	✓	✓	
Information and Communications Technology	Certificate II in Applied Digital Technologies	✓			
	Certificate III in Information Technology	✓	✓	✓	✓
Integrated Technologies	Certificate II in Integrated Technologies	✓	✓	✓	
Laboratory Skills	Certificate III in Laboratory Skills	✓	✓	✓	
Music	Certificate II in Music	✓			
	Certificate III in Music	✓	✓	✓	✓
Plumbing	Certificate II in Plumbing (Pre-apprenticeship)	✓	✓		✓
Small Business	Certificate II in Small Business (Operations/Innovation)	✓	✓		✓
Sport and Recreation	Certificate II in Outdoor Recreation	✓			
	Certificate II in Sport and Recreation	✓			
	Certificate III in Sport and Recreation	✓	✓	✓	
Visual Arts	Certificate II in Visual Arts	✓			
	Certificate III in Visual Arts	✓	✓		✓

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www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/getvet

For Additional Information

- Sara Mugridge – VET Learning Leader

- Frequently asked questions about VET programs can be found on the VCAA website - https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/curriculum/vet/vce-vet-programs/Pages/Index.aspx

- Video examples of specific VET Pathways can be viewed here - https://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/studentguides/getvet/Pages/Index.aspx

Higher Study During Year 12

The College supports high-achieving, able and interested Year 11 students to undertake two first-year university subjects at a range of Victorian Universities (e.g. Deakin, Monash, Uni Melb etc) through the **VCAA's Higher Education Studies Program.**

Potential Benefits of a Higher Study:

- Access to a broader range of academically challenging subjects at Deakin University
- Receive credit towards an undergraduate qualification at University
- Contributes to ATAR by receiving an increment for the higher study as a fifth or sixth study
- Contributes towards satisfactory completion for the award of the VCE as a Unit 3–4 sequence without a study score
- Opportunity to experience university studies and a different style of learning
- Gain credit for the higher study and go straight into second year at a University in that discipline.

Higher Studies Application Process

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High-achieving, able and interested students are to complete an expression of interest form and submit to the VCE Learning Leader for consideration.

Application and other learning data is reviewed to determine if the student meets the preferred University's selection criteria (see below)

The criteria for selection includes:

- Completing Year 12 in 2023
- A high achiever with above average results in Year 11 (minimum 65% average across all subjects)
- Meet the pre-requisite or co-requisite VCE subject requirement, if required for preferred subjects
- Like being challenged
- Excellent organisational skills and able to work independently
- Planning to go to university and have a desire to accelerate future university studies
- Consistently high rate of attendance and above-average work habits throughout Years 7-11

See p.7 of the VCE/VET/VM Curriculum Guide for more information

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VTAC, SCALING and the ATAR

What is VTAC?
Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre

VTAC

- Universities
- Institutes
- Private Providers

You apply to go to University through VTAC

VTAC receives/processes/ forwards applications to the institutions to which you have applied.

- Scales study scores
- Calculates ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank)

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What the ATAR is:

The ATAR is a rank, not a score. It's designed specifically to assist some tertiary institutions in selecting applicants for some courses.

The ATAR allows tertiary institutions to competitively rank students who have completed different combinations of VCE studies

The ATAR is reported as a number between 0.00 and 99.95 with increments of 0.05. A student with an ATAR of 75.00 has achieved VCE results above 75 per cent of the Year 12 cohort across the state.

What the ATAR isn't

The ATAR isn't a reflection of you as a person, and there's no pass or fail ATAR. Everyone who receives an ATAR has passed the VCE.

How to qualify for an ATAR

To qualify for an ATAR through VTAC, a student must: qualify for the VCE, and achieve study scores in at least four permissible Unit 3 and 4 VCE studies, including one from the English group.

What if I do VCE-VM?

VCE-VM students do not receive an ATAR and can therefore only immediately apply for courses that don't use the ATAR to select students for entry (see 'Pathways' for other opportunities).

How is the ATAR calculated?

- The calculation of your ATAR begins with your VCE study scores, provided by VCAA
- VTAC then scales these scores to ensure fairness. This produces scaled study scores
- An aggregate is created by adding up your primary four: your highest scaled study score in one of English, English (EAL), Literature or English Language and the three next highest VTAC scaled study scores permissible
- Your increments: Often ten per cent of any fifth and sixth permissible scaled study scores that are available

Scaling – keeping things fair

What is it?

Scaling adjusts for the fact that it is more difficult to obtain a high VCE study score in some studies than others. This is **not** because some studies are inherently harder or easier. It is because some studies attract a more competitive cohort of students.

Scaling ensures that students are neither advantaged nor disadvantaged based on the studies they choose. All VCE study scores are scaled by VTAC.

Subject Selection Resources & Support

Year 11 and 12 Course Information

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The following information is designed to provide a general course outline and help families with subject selections for Years 11 and current 12.

VTAC Pre-Requisites and Tertiary Study Guide

- VTAC Year 10 Guide
- VTAC Year 11 Guide
- VTAC Year 12 Guide
- VTAC Prerequisites 2023
- VTAC Prerequisites 2024
- VTAC Prerequisites 2025
- VTAC Guide to the ATAR and Scaling

2023 Course Information and Resources

- 2023 VCE/VET/VM Curriculum Guide
- 2023 VET Student Handbook
- 2023 Units 3 & 4 Acceleration Form
- 2023 VET Enrolment Form
- 2023 Catholic Action Application Form
- 2023 VCE VM Pathway Form

2023 VCE/VCE-VM/VET Forms
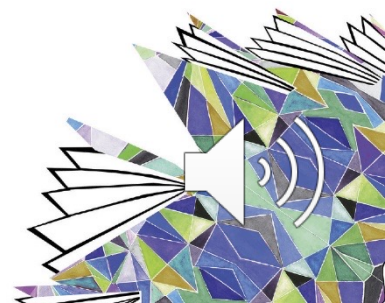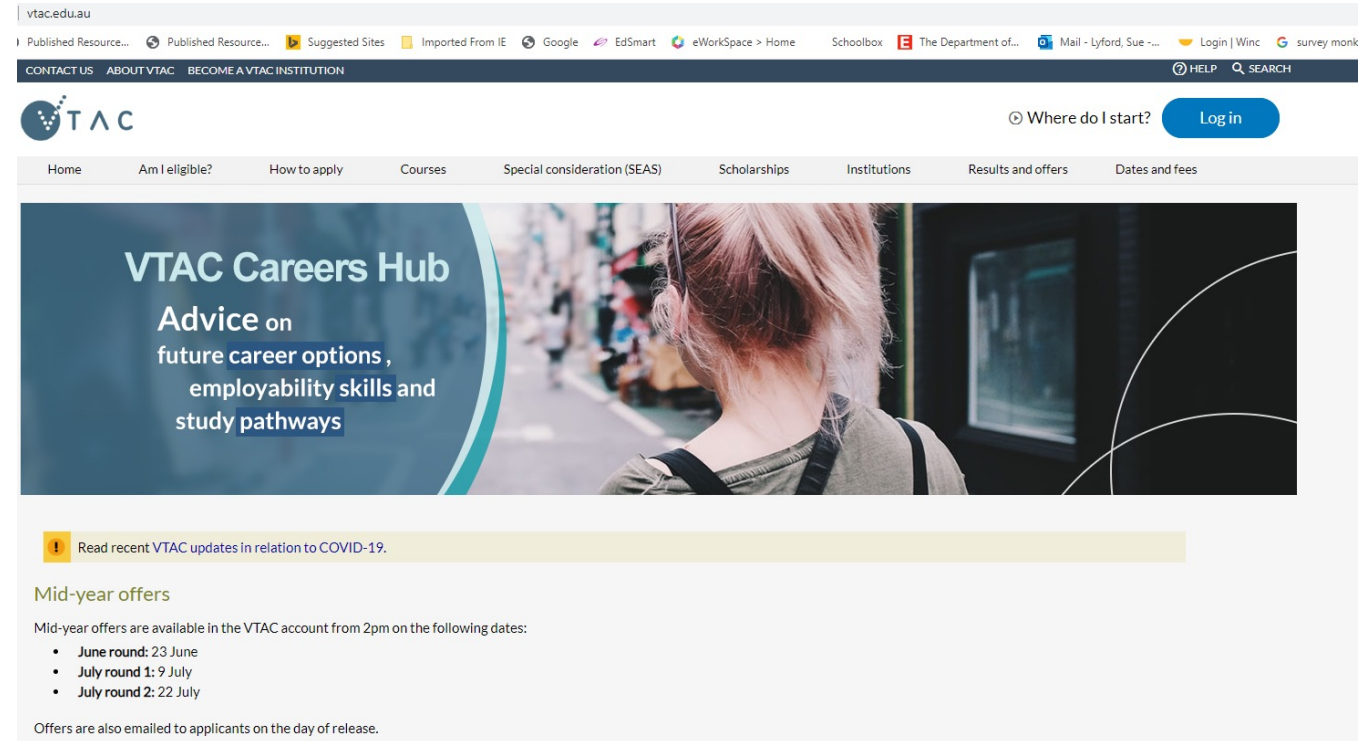
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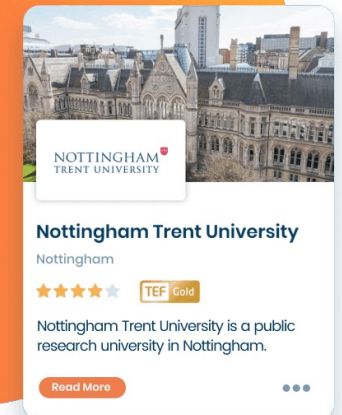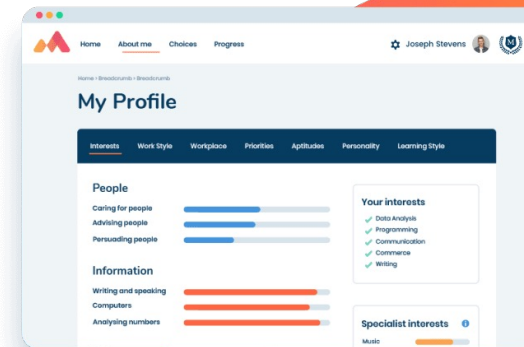2023 VCE/VCE-VM/VET Curriculum Guide

Resources

- **VTAC** website

- **Where to Now** Booklet – 2022

- **Pre-requisites for 2024**

- **University booklets** written

    specifically for Year 10

- **Taster Day** – July 21

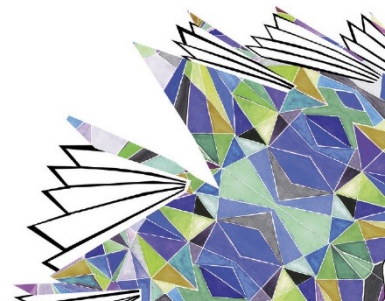- **Subject and Tertiary Expo** – July 28

Other Resources

- Family, friends, neighbours

- Teachers

- University & TAFE Open Days

- Careers News

- Canvas Careers Modules & Announcements

- Morrisby Profile (Year 9 2022 students)

Q&A with the Panelists

- Maria Haggett, Principal
- Julie Stewart, Deputy Principal - Learning
- Tara Baker, VCE Learning Leader
- Grace Tobin, Applied Pathways Learning Leader
- Amanda Bischof-Foster, Year 11 Learning Leader
- Andy Donnelly, Careers Coordinator

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