

Vocational Education and Training (VET)

Delivered to Secondary Schools



VET in schools refers to the Vocational Education and Training (VET) Course undertaken as part of the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE).

VCE VET programs are vocational programs approved by the Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority (VCAA). VET programs allow the student to combine a vocational pathway with their schooling resulting in a nationally recognised qualification, thereby offering students the opportunity to gain both the VCE and a national portable VET qualification.

VCE VET programs are fully recognised within the Units 1 to 4 structure of the VCE and can contribute towards satisfactory completion of VCE. VCE VET units have equal status with other VCE studies, and some courses offer scored assessment which contribute to an ATAR.



Why choose VET as part of your Senior School certificate?

VET offers students the following benefits:

1. An extra qualification

You can gain a nationally recognised VET qualification while undertaking your VCE. You receive the VET qualification from a Registered Training Organisation, such as TAFF.

2. Study Scores and ATARs

Some VCE VET programs offer scored-assessed which contribute to an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) like all other VCE 3 and 4 units.

3. Connected to the workplace

VET qualifications give you industry exposure and experience in the workplace that reinforces your skills development. This connection also makes for a smooth transition between training and work.

Practical

VET can strengthen your education by giving you the opportunity to gain practical skills and knowledge that compliment your VCE studies. For example, if you want to be an engineer and you are studying VCE Physics and VCE Mathematical Methods, you can develop practical skills, technical knowledge, and industry insight by doing VCE VET Engineering.

- 5. Combines general and vocational studies
- Realistically explore career options and pathways without leaving school
- 7 Compliments and contributes to your VCE

Most course programs are delivered at local TAFEs including: Holmesglen, Chisholm, Box Hill Institute, Kangan Institute and more.

St Leonard's College delivers VCE VET Creative and Digital Media (scored program) on campus when we have sufficient student numbers. VET courses offered on campus are scheduled as part of the timetable.

Note: The VET course is a two-year program. It must commence in Year 11 and cannot be started in Year 12.

How does VET contribute to the ATAR?

The contribution of VCE VET programs to the ATAR is as follows:

- Where a scored VFT Units 3 and 4 sequence is available it will contribute directly to the ATAR, either as one of the student's primary four studies or as a fifth or sixth study. Students must complete additional scored assessments and an exam.
- In Year 2 for unscored VET programs, students who successfully complete a VET Units 3 and 4 sequence, can receive a 10% increment towards their overall ATAR of the top 4 subjects.



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How can VET prepare you for the future?

Technology and globalisation are changing the jobs we do.

To make sure VET graduates are ready for these changes, industry, and government work together to ensure VET courses give graduates the skills and knowledge that employers need - now and in the future.

- VET prepares you to be an adaptable worker by developing important employability skills.
- VET can lead to careers in the fastest growing industries.
- VET can lead to employment in the fastest growing careers.
- Starting VET at secondary school can give you a head start on joining the workforce with a qualification directly linked to employment.
- VET gives you the opportunity to get experience in the workplace and show employers that you have the right attitude toward work.

- 84% of VET graduates achieved their goal for training.
- Can lead to apprenticeships.
- Government funded courses offer free TAFE or subsidies in a range of high priority subject areas - post secondary go to:

www.training.com.au



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Which VET course suits you and how do you apply?

- 1. Investigate what VET programs and courses are available.
- 2. Speak with TAFE Representatives at Booth Night.
- 3. Investigate your course and organisation choices using the resources below.
- Speak with current and previous VFT students to hear the students' perspective on the courses.

St Leonard's College VET Application **Process**

- 5. Complete the St Leonard's College VET application and subject selection form and return to the VCF office.
- 6. Wait for confirmation of enrolment during Semester 2, 2024

If you would like more information or the opportunity to discuss these studies in more details, please speak to the VET Coordinator, Mary Grande.

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Remember: These courses are highly competitive and while every effort is made to place you in the course and institute of your choice, some flexibility is often needed to reach your end goal.

Resources to help you with your choice:

- **VCAA** Website
- **VET Organisation Websites**
- **Booth Night**
- Careers Office
- VCF Office/VFT Co-ordinator

If interested in undertaking a VET subject in 2025, please submit your application via the link below: link.stleonards.vic.edu.au/ homepage/24096

VCE VET Program List

VCE VET programs, put together by the VCAA, lead to nationally recognised qualifications and provide credit toward the VCE. A list of the VCE/VET programs is provided below. Programs with an asterisk (*) offer a scored assessment in 2025 for Units 3 and 4.

- Agriculture, Horticulture, Conversation and Ecosystem Management
- **Animal Care**
- Applied Fashion Design and **Technology**
- **Applied Language**
- **Automotive**
- **Building and Construction**
- Business*
- Cisco
- Civil Infrastructure
- Community Services*
- Creative and Digital Media*

- Dance*
- Early Childhood Education and Care
- **Electrical Industry**
- **Engineering Studies***
- **Equine Studies***
- **Events and Tourism**
- Furnishing*
- Hair and Beauty
- Health*
- Hospitality*
- Information and Communications Technology*
- Integrated Technologies*
- Laboratory Skills*
- Music*
- Plumbing
- Small Business
- Sport and Recreation*
- Visual Arts

^{*} Courses may be subject to change in 2025.

Structured Workplace Learning (SWL)

SWL involves on-the-job training where students are required to master a designated set of skills and competencies related to the VCE VET program.

Participating in SWL is not a compulsory part of most VET subjects, however, it is highly recommended. SWL provides the context for:

- Enhanced skill development
- Practical application of industry knowledge
- Assessment of Units of Competency
- Increased employment opportunities

Some VCE VET programs have a mandated SWL component such as Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and some units in Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance





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Examples of VET Study Programs

Sample VET Year 11 Study Program

Student Example 1

- Unit 3 and 4 Biology
- Unit 1 and 2 English Language
- Unit 1 and 2 Chemistry
- Unit 1 and 2 Mathematical Methods
- Unit 1 and 2 Systems Engineering
- VET Cert III in Laboratory Skills
- Study Block in school timetable (Wednesday afternoon -Holmesglen Moorabbin)

Sample VET Year 12 Study Program

Student Example 2

- VCE 3 and 4 English Language
- VCE 3 and 4 Chemistry
- VCE 3 and 4 Mathematical Methods
- VCE 3 and 4 Systems Engineering
- VCE VET Cert III in Laboratory Skills
- Study Block in school timetable (Wednesday afternoon -Holmesglen Moorabbin)

Key dates for VCE students

- Year 11 2025 Information Night Thursday 16 May 2024
- Year 11 Booth Nigh Tuesday 25 June 2024
- Final Subject selections for 2025 Years 10 to 12 are due Friday 19 July 2024
- VCAA important dates: vcaa.vic.edu.au/administration/key-dates/Pages/ index.aspx
- VTAC important dates: vtac.edu.au/dates

Courses offered by providers in 2025

St Leonard's College

Screen and Media: Creative and Digital Media*

Sandringham Secondary College

Dance*

Box Hill Institute

boxhill.edu.au/courses/vet-delivered-to-secondary-students/

- Allied Health*
- Animal Care
- Applied Fashion Design and Technology
- Automotive Vocational Preparation
- Beauty Services
- Early Childhood Education and Care
- Building and Construction
- Community Services*
- Electrotechnology Studies
- Engineering Studies*
- Equine Studies*
- Information Technology*
- Interior Decoration Retail Services
- Laboratory Skills*

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- Music Performance*
- Music Industry Sound Production*
- **Outdoor Recreation**
- **Plumbing**

Holmesglen: Chadstone, City and Moorabbin Campuses holmesglen.edu.au/explore-courses/secondary-school-courses

- Allied Health*
- Applied Fashion Design and Technology
- **Building and Construction Pre apprenticeship**
- **Construction Pathways**
- Electrotechnology
- **Engineering Studies***
- Hospitality
- Horticulture
- Landscaping
- Kitchen Operations
- **Beauty Services**
- Salon Assistance
- **Design Fundamentals**
- Early Childhood Education and Care
- Sport and Recreation*
- **Enabling Technologies**
- Information Technologies
- Interior Decoration Retail Services
- Laboratory Skills*
- Tourism
- **Events**

Chisholm

chisholm.edu.au/career-fields/vet-in-schools

- Automotive (Mechanical)
- **Beauty Services**
- **Building (Carpentry)**
- Business Admin (Legal)
- Community Services*
- Cookery
- Computer Assembly and Repair
- Design Fundamentals (Graphic)
- Design Fundamentals (Photography)
- Early Childhood Education and Care
- Electrotechnology
- **Engineering Studies***
- **Fitness**
- Furniture Making
- **Legal Services**
- **Health Services Assistance**
- Horticulture
- Hospitality
- Information Digital Media and Technology (Cyber Technology)
- **Plumbing**
- Salon Assistant
- Sport and Recreation*

Kangan: Cremorne and Docklands

kangan.edu.au/for-schools/vetdss

- Automotive
- Hair and Beauty
- Applied Fashion Design and Technology
- **Animal Care**

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Other Providers:

Tristen Aviation ** tristaraviation.com.au/vetis.html

MFS (Moorabbin Flying Services) ** mfs.com.au/vet-in-schools

Fees:

Students commencing a course of VET study with an external provider in 2025 are responsible for payment of any VET fees due.

The cost to participate in a VET course is determined by the VET providers and the College will on-charge at cost.

Fees can range from approximately \$1,600 - \$3,000 per subject, per year.

 ** Notable exceptions are the Aviation providers, whose fees range from \$10,500 to approximately \$20,000 per year.

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