

Why do students choose VET as part of their senior secondary certificate?

VET offers students the opportunity to

- gain a nationally recognised qualification or credit towards a qualification that also contributes to satisfactory completion of VCE or VCAL
- combine general & vocational studies
- realistically explore career options & pathways without leaving school
- undertake learning in the workplace &/or develop skills that will equip them for the workplace
- undertake applied learning in an adult learning environment

Types of Vocational Programs

1. VCE/VET Programs – scored assessment

VCE VET Programs are vocational programs approved by the Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority (VCAA). VCE VET programs lead to a nationally recognised qualification, thereby offering students the opportunity to gain both the VCE and a nationally portable VET qualification.

- VET programs are equivalent to a Unit 1 & 2 in their first year, 3 & 4 in their second.
- Students must successfully complete first year before they can do second year
- Those programs with Scored assessment at Year 12 are the same as all VCE subjects and can be one of the top four in the ATAR. Those without scored assessment or exams are 5th /6th subjects for an ATAR score – providing 10% of the average of their top four

2. VCE/VET Programs - Block Credit Programs

Block Credit Programs are vocational programs without a formal exam.

- At Certificate II level the VET program provides Unit 1 & 2 credits
- At Certificate III or partial Certificate IV, Unit 3 & 4 credits.
- As there isn't scored assessment, these credits are the same as 5th or 6th subjects in an ATAR score (see above)
- Students may not need to have done the Year 11 equivalent to do Year 12 in Block Credit programs – they must have the appropriate background/commitment.

3. School Based Apprenticeships (SBATs)

School Based Apprenticeships are part time apprenticeships. Students usually work one day per week & a day at TAFE (although the TAFE component is often done during holidays). Credit is given as for Block Credit Programs.

Students should be

- self-motivated/self-disciplined/well organised
- prepared for hard work – **theoretical** as well as practical
- socially advanced – able to operate independently outside of class time
- prepared to attend activities out of school hours
- able to work in a 3 to 4 hour block
- have basic skills in the specialist area – or a particular interest in the skills taught or the industry involved (particularly for students going off campus)
- prepared to make up for time missed if absent (given that missing one VET class is often equivalent to a week's classes in another subject)
- **prepared to do a Work Placement (usually during the holidays)**
- Extra costs are incurred for VET subjects - \$600 + materials.

VET Programs

Below is a list of VET Programs our students have undertaken – more are available and may be selected in 2015. For these other possibilities – go to the College website and then to Senior > Curriculum > VET > TAFE Partners - or go directly to <http://sandringhamvetprograms.wikispaces.com>

1. Scored Assessment	RTO	Location
Business Administration	Holmesglen	Moorabbin / Workplace
Community Services	Holmesglen	Moorabbin
Dance	Ausdance	Sandringham 7-10 Campus
Engineering	Holmesglen	Moorabbin
Equine Industry	Box Hill	Box Hill
Hospitality	Holmesglen	Senior Campus/ Moorabbin
Information & Technology	Holmesglen	Chadstone
Media (IDM)	Holmesglen	Moorabbin
Music (Technical Production)	Cosamp	Senior Campus
Sport & Rec' (Community Rec)	Holmesglen	Moorabbin
2. Block Credit	RTO	Location
Acting (Year 12 only) – Theatre & Screen	Swinburne	Senior Campus
Agriculture	Goulburn Ovens	Internet/ Pearcedale Prac' Placement
Allied Health	Holmesglen	Moorabbin
Animal Studies	Box Hill	Box Hill
Automotive Technology	Kangan Batman / Chisholm	Richmond / Frankston
Building & Construction	Chisholm / Holmesglen	Frankston/ Chadstone
Electro technology	Holmesglen / Chisholm	Moorabbin / Frankston
Events (Management)	Holmesglen	Moorabbin
Fashion Design & Technology	Kangan	Senior Campus
Furnishing	Chisholm	Frankston
Horticulture	Holmesglen	Waverly
Hair/Makeup/Nails	VUT	King Street, City
Hair or Makeup (Year 11 only)	Chisholm	Frankston/Dandenong
Information Technology Gaming	Chisholm	Senior Campus
Interior Decoration	Holmesglen	Moorabbin
Justice (Year 12 only)	Holmesglen	Senior Campus
Media (Screen)	Chisholm	Senior Campus
Plumbing	Chisholm	Frankston/Dandenong
Retail	Holmesglen	Moorabbin/Workplace
Visual Arts (Year 12 only)	Chisholm	Senior Campus

Please Note – If programs don't specify Year 11 or Year 12 only, they are run over two years and students must successfully complete Year 1 before undertaking Year 2. Programs only run where there are sufficient numbers. Extra charges apply. Students must apply to the appropriate TAFE as well as the College for off campus courses. Applications are made through the home school or campus.

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