



**VICTORIAN CERTIFICATE
OF EDUCATION**

AND THE

**VICTORIAN CERTIFICATE
OF EDUCATION
VOCATIONAL MAJOR**



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WHAT IS VCE?

The VCE is the Victorian Certificate of Education. It is a Year 12 certificate.

WHAT IS VCE VM?

The VCE VM is a 2-year vocational and applied learning program **within** the VCE with specific subjects designed to prepare students for life, further study and employment.

WHAT IS VCE VET?

Vocational Education and Training programs in schools are nationally accredited training Certificate II or III level courses, which count as VCE studies. On-the-job training at workplaces or structured workplace learning is an important part of the delivery for many of the courses.

VCE VM students must complete at least 180 hours (Unit 1 & 2) of a VET subject.

HOW IS VCE STRUCTURED?

The VCE course is made up of studies and units, some of which must be studied as a sequence.

A study is a subject, for example, English or Biology. It is made up of four units (Units 1, 2, 3 and 4), each of which is a semester in length.

For most students, VCE is completed over two years. At WSSC students complete VCE over three years.

HOW ARE VCE SUBJECTS GRADED?

Unit 1, 2, 3, & 4:

- Satisfactory or Not Satisfactory

Satisfactory can be met through demonstrated knowledge of the study design through coursework and/or SAC/SAT's.

WHAT MAKES UP MY STUDY SCORE?

Unit 3 & 4 (Excluding VCE VM subjects and unscored VET):

- Graded Assessments
 - School Assessed Coursework and School Assessed Tasks
 - Very High to Very Low
- External VCAA Exams

The graded assessments and external exams allow you to be **ranked** against other students in the state, this is called a **study score** and is a number from **0-50**.

WHAT MAKES UP MY STUDY SCORE?

An ATAR is the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank. It is a figure between 0.00 and 99.95.

The ATAR is a figure that reflects your relative achievement compared to everyone else in Year 12 in Victoria. It is based on subject study scores and is a **ranking** between **0.00 and 99.95**.

REQUIREMENTS

VCE REQUIREMENTS

| 3 - 4 Sequences | Subject Requirements | Total Number of Units Required |
|--|--|--------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1x English Sequence (English, EAL, Literature, English Language) • 3x 3 - 4 Sequences | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 1 OR 2 English Subject • Unit 3 AND 4 English Subject (English, EAL, Literature, English Language) | 16 Units |

VCE VM REQUIREMENTS

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VCE AND VCE VM COMPARISON

| VCE | VCE VM |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study Scores • ATAR • Fastest pathway to university | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically unscored • Can be scored • Can have an ATAR • University is an option via alternate pathways • 5 compulsory subjects (made up of an English, a Math, Work-Related Skills, Personal Development Skills, and a VET elective) • 1 elective |

HOW SHOULD I PICK SUBJECTS?

- Check the requirements (pre-requisites) that you need for university/TAFE or your career choice. Include back-up courses and careers!
- Select subjects you enjoy.
- Select subjects you think you will enjoy.

CAN I PICK A VET SUBJECT IN VCE OR VCE VM?

Yes!

In the VCE VM you are required to select at least one VET subject and successfully pass 2 units (180 hours).

VCE COURSE MAP

| | Year 10 Semester 1 | Year 10 Semester 2 | Year 11 Semester 1 | Year 11 Semester 2 | Year 12 Semester 1 & 2 |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|------------------------|
| Subject 1 (English) | Applied English English AAP English | Applied English English AAP English | Unit 1 Any English (excluding VM Literacy) | Unit 2 Any English (excluding VM Literacy) | Unit 3 & 4 Any English |
| Subject 2 | Applied Maths General Maths AAP Maths | Applied Maths General Maths AAP Maths | Unit 1 Elective (Recommended Maths) | Unit 2 Elective (Recommended Maths) | Unit 3 & 4 Elective |
| Subject 3 | Unit 1 Industry & Enterprise | Unit 2 Industry & Enterprise | Unit 1 Elective | Unit 2 Elective | Unit 3 & 4 Elective |
| Subject 4 | Unit 1 Elective (Recommended Science) | Unit 2 Elective (Recommended Science) | Unit 1 Elective | Unit 2 Elective | Unit 3 & 4 Elective |
| Subject 5 | Unit 1 Elective | Unit 2 Elective | Unit 1 OR 3 Elective | Unit 2 OR 4 Elective | Unit 3 & 4 Elective |
| Subject 6 | Unit 1 Elective | Unit 2 Elective | Unit 1 OR 3 Elective | Unit 2 OR 4 Elective | Study Block |

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| Subject 3 | Unit 1 Industry & Enterprise | Unit 2 Industry & Enterprise | Unit 1 Work-Related Skills | Unit 2 Work-Related Skills | Unit 3 & 4 Work-Related Skills |
| Subject 4 | Unit 1 Elective (Recommended Science) | Unit 2 Elective (Recommended Science) | Unit 1 Personal Development Skills | Unit 2 Personal Development Skills | Unit 3 & 4 Personal Development Skills |
| Subject 5 | Unit 1 Elective | Unit 2 Elective | Unit 1 OR 3 VET Elective | Unit 2 OR 4 VET Elective | Unit 3 & 4 VET Elective |
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