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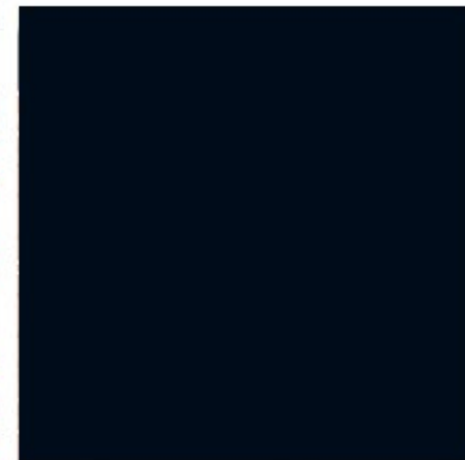
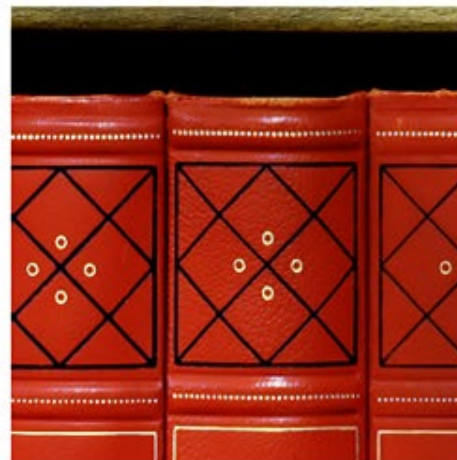
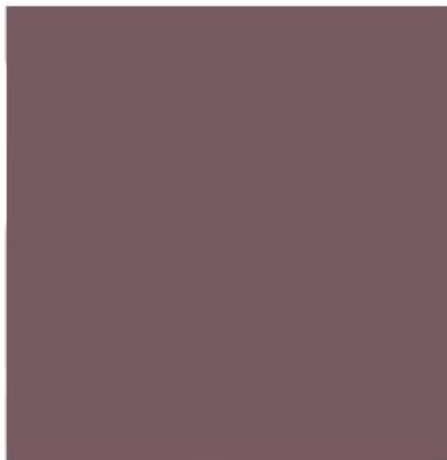
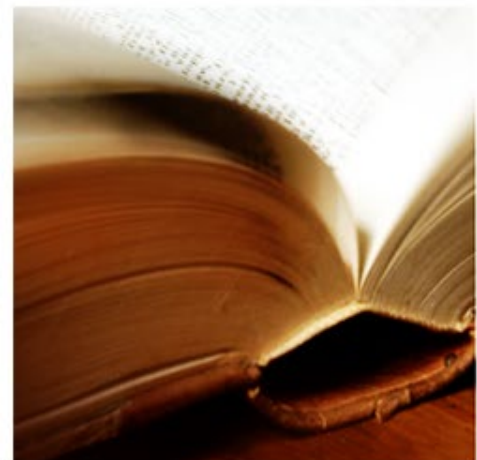
Year 11 & 12

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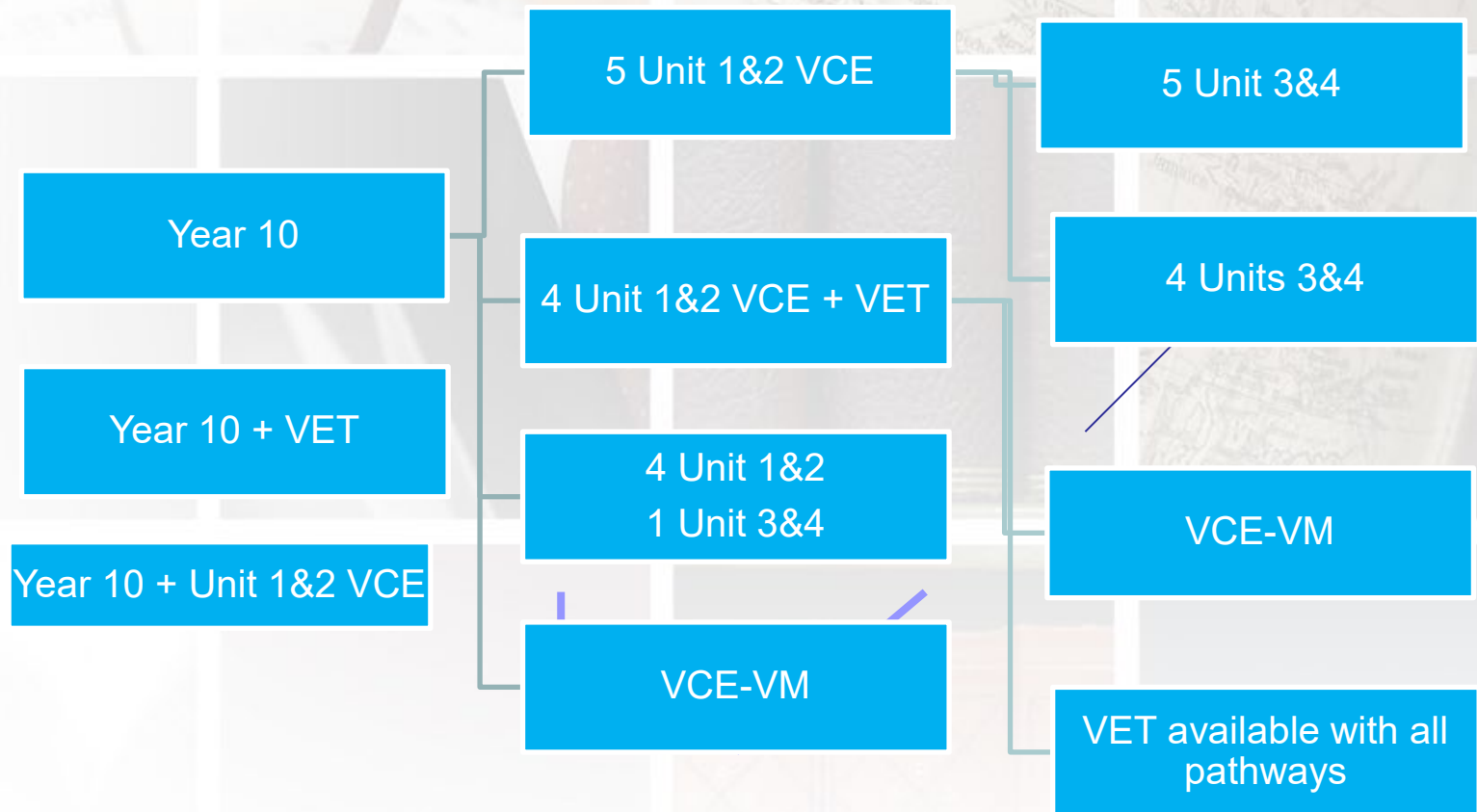


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PATHWAYS AT WRC



CAREERS

- Finding out information
- <https://www.vtac.edu.au/>
- <https://myfuture.edu.au/>
- If unsure pick subject that you are interested in and have a range
- Want more advice – make an appointment with the Careers office and speak to Jess Croft
- Ask questions at course counselling

VCE overview

- Completed over a minimum of 2 years
- Divided into units
- A Unit is a semester length (2 terms)
- Units 1 & 2 = Equivalent of Year 11
- Units 3 & 4 = Equivalent of Year 12
- Units 3 & 4 must be taken together
- No external prerequisites

VCE Overview

- To successfully complete VCE students are required to pass 16 units.
- 8 of these must be Unit 3&4 and must be in a sequence
- 3 of these must be from the English group and must include a Unit 3&4 from the English group

To pass a unit

- Each unit usually has 2 or 3 outcomes.
- This can be done in a number of ways:
- Through completing a SAC or SAT
- Through completing your class work
- Through participating in class discussions / activities
- If you do not meet an outcome, you will be given the opportunity to complete other work to achieve a satisfactory result for the outcome.

What about Grades?

- Your grades in VCE **do not** contribute to you passing or failing. This is based solely on the S/N for the outcomes.
- Grades are an indication of how well you are doing in each unit.
- Year 12 (Units 3&4), the grades are used to help calculate the study score for each subject.
- Unit 1 &2 grades do not contribute to your ATAR
- SAC scores for Unit 3&4 are used to rank students and these are moderated against external exams

What is a study score? Unit 3&4

- **Is a number between 0 and 50 that is given to you and based on your performance in each subject compared to the other students studying that subject in Victoria.**
- It is a statistical measure based on normal distribution (the bell shaped curve).
 - 0.3% will get a score of 50
 - 2% of students will get a score on or above 45
 - 9% of students will get a score on or above 40
 - 26% of students will get a score on or above 35
 - 53% of students will get a score on or above 30 – this is the average score
 - 78% of students will get a score on or above 25
 - 93% of students will get a score on or above 20



How do I get a Study Score?

- The study score is calculated using your numerical marks from SACs, SATs and the External exam/s.
- Most subjects have 50% of the exam as part of the Study Score calculation and 50% of SACs.
- Some subjects do vary, eg Maths is 66% exams and 34% SACs and Practical subjects can be 30% exam, 50% SAT and 20% SACs
- SAC marks are weighted and statistically moderated against your exam marks and therefore can be adjusted. Therefore it is important for you to do well in exams!

ATAR

- The ATAR is used for entrance to University, this means that your rank in the state will determine what courses you get into.
- Each course and each University determine the cut off ATAR for entry – it does vary from year to year but the previous year can be a guide.
- For example, to get into Sports Science at Deakin was 70.25 at Burwood, 62 at Geelong, 60.25 at Vic Unit and 72.6 at LaTrobe Bendigo

What is an ATAR?



Like the study score, the ATAR is a ranking of your performance against other students in VCE across the state.



Your study scores are added together using the following formula: English (or Lit) + the scores for your next best 3 subjects + 10% of up to two additional subjects.



The highest study scores in the state will be allocated 99.95 and then everyone will be ranked using the normal distribution (bell shaped curve) just like the study score.

SELECTING VCE UNITS

- Must study a subject from the English Group
- Must study 4 other Unit 1&2 subjects each semester
- Although not compulsory we would encourage every student to study maths
- Choices of units should be based on future career options & likes/strengths
- Check the pre-requisites
- Can pick different subject each semester – but most people will not
- Realise that there are no ‘easy’ options in VCE
- VET units count towards VCE, however not all give Unit 3&4 credit
 - Cert II = Unit 1&2 Cert III = Unit 3&4

English Group

- Can be English or Literature
- Can do both
- Should you pursue VCE English, VCE Literature, or both simultaneously? Certainly your own preferred style and inherent strengths in writing and analysing masterpieces may determine your success within either area. Writers who consider themselves creative and reflective may find English to be more restrictive, thereby achieving greater success in Literature. Conversely, writers who prefer formatting guidelines and order may favor English.
- You may also consider the combination of both English and Literature classes; both courses promote English reading and writing skill development while incorporating diverse writing structures and styles. Multifaceted experience potentially gained by taking both English and Literature subjects can be useful in developing the necessary critical analysis and structural formatting skills in preparation for university-level research papers.
- Please note that the Literature curriculum focuses on different forms and styles of texts that may be unfamiliar if you have not done any form of Literature in the past. The texts often require a stronger reading ability. So, if this is you, Literature might be the best choice moving forward. Or, if you love English, you can do both!

Maths Group

- Foundation
- General
- Math Methods
- Specialist Maths

Pre-requisites

- Are subjects that universities require a student to study before they will even consider them
- The best place to look for pre-requisites in the vtac guide <https://www.vtac.edu.au/>
- Eg if I want to study arts education at Monash University the pre-requisites are

Year 12 Prerequisite

Compulsory: Units 1 and 2: satisfactory completion in two units (any study combination) of Maths: General Mathematics, Maths: Mathematical Methods or Maths: Specialist Mathematics or Units 3 and 4: any Mathematics; Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least 25 in English other than EAL.

VCE subjects on offer

English Units	Language Units	Maths Units	Health & PE Units
English Literature	Languages (Dist. Ed) <i>(Languages will be offered by Distance Education)</i>	Foundation Maths General Maths Maths Methods Specialist Maths	Health & Human Dev. Outdoor & Enviro Stud \$ Physical Education
Science Units	Humanities Units	Technology Units	The Arts Units
Agriculture & Horticulture Biology Chemistry Physics Psychology	Accounting Ancient History Business Management Economics Geography Legal studies Philosophy	Applied Computing Food Studies \$ Product Design & Technology \$ (wood/metal/textiles)	Art \$ Drama \$ Media \$ Music Performance \$ Studio Art \$ VCD \$

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.

VCE-VM What is it?

The VCE Vocational Major:

- A new vocational and applied learning program within the VCE
- Prepare you to move successfully into apprenticeships, traineeships, further education or direct entry into workplaces.

VCE – VM subjects

- To be eligible to receive the VCE VM, students must satisfactorily complete a minimum of 16 units, including:
 - 3 VCE VM Literacy or VCE English units (including a Unit 3–4 sequence)
 - 2 VCE VM Numeracy or VCE Mathematics units
 - 2 VCE VM Work Related Skills units
 - 2 VCE VM Personal Development Skills units, and
 - 2 VET credits at Certificate II level or above (180 nominal hours)
- Students must complete a minimum of three other Unit 3–4 sequences as part of their program. Units 3 and 4 of VM studies may be undertaken together over the duration of the academic year to enable these to be integrated.
- The VCE VM can be tailored to the needs and interests of the student, to keep them engaged while developing their skills and knowledge. Students can also include other VCE studies and VET, and can receive structured workplace learning recognition.

VCE-VM at WRC

• Year 11

- VCE-VM will complete VM Literacy, a VCE Maths, VM Work Related Skills, VM Personal Development Skills and a VCE subject.
- VET is compulsory for VCE-VM students.

• Year 12

- Unit 3&4 VM Literacy, a VCE Maths, VM Work Related Skills, VM Personal Development Skills and a VCE subject.
- If they have completed the 180 hours of VET a work placement can be complete instead of VET.
- **VCE-VM students will be at school 4 days, the fifth day is either VET or Work placement**

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.

VET ENROLMENT 2024



SELECTION/ENROLMENT PROCESS

VET Delivered to Secondary Students (VDSS)

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- Warragul Regional College offers students access to a wide variety of VET (Vocational Education and Training) courses which appeal to different interests and careers pathways. VET programs can combine with either VCE, VCE VM and provide the opportunity for vocational training and experience in the workplace.
 - VET subjects may be studied at your school, in partnership with another school, or through an external Registered Training Organisation such as a TAFE.
 - VET certificates take 1 or 2 years to complete.


WHY STUDY VET?



BENEFITS OF VET

- VET is learning which is directly related to work. Nationally recognised qualifications are developed by industry to give people the knowledge and skills they need to work
- The courses are 'competency-based' which means you achieve your qualification by demonstrating that you have the knowledge and can perform the skills at the industry standard.
- Some VET courses have an exam and can contribute to your ATAR – these are called 'scored' VET subjects.
- Other VET subjects are 'unscored' so are not calculated in the ATAR.
- Can make you more job ready but still keep the University options open

VET COURSES AVAILABLE IN 2024



ALLIED HEALTH	ANIMAL STUDIES	AUTOMOTIVE	BEAUTY
BUILDING	BUSINESS	CHILDCARE	CIVIL CONSTRUCTION
COMMUNITY SERVICES	ELECTRICAL	ENGINEERING	HAIRDRESSING
HOSPITALITY	INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES	COOKERY	AGRICULTURE
PLUMBING	HORTICULTURE	SCREEN & MEDIA	SPORT & REC
MUSIC	PHOTOGRAPHY	BRICKLAYING	CONSERVATION

KEY POINTS YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT VET ENROLMENT

- Your VET studies should be directly relevant to your planned career/study pathway and clearly stated on the VET expression of interest form
- Don't do VET just to see if you like it or because a friend is doing it.
- Remember completing VET courses is a privilege not a right!
- There is a written/theory component to each VET course that must be passed - no course is all practical!
- If you are accepted you will attend 1 day per week (usually Wednesday) and will miss a day at school, which will require you to catch up on this work.

KEY POINTS YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT VET ENROLMENT

- Final confirmation of courses running will be known by mid October after all enrolment numbers are collated.
- The Orientation Day for all new VET students is Wednesday 15th November
- Students may withdraw from their VET course prior to the 4th week of the year.

COSTS/TRANSPORT

- Families are responsible for paying for VET uniforms/PPE
- Schools are responsible for the VET tuition costs and some of the VET materials costs
- Transport from Moe and Morwell train stations via bus to Tafe Gippsland campuses will be provided to students free of charge.

How to Express Interest in VET for 2024

- Talk to the VET providers here tonight
- Read the VET Handbook and decide on your VET course
- Submit an expression of interest-available at course selection
- Students must obtain a Unique Student Identifier (USI)
- All VET applicants will be reviewed by WRC staff to determine suitability

KEY POINTS YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT VET ENROLMENT

- Your attendance at school must be excellent to be eligible to undertake a VET course and there must be a recommendation from your Year Level Advocate.
- Each training provider sets a minimum number of students enrolled to ensure a course runs - generally 10 - therefore you may need a back up course.
- Some courses might be oversubscribed so you may not automatically get in – you might be asked to provide additional evidence to support your application.

Head-start

- Head Start is an Apprenticeship and Traineeship pathway for school students aimed at giving them just that.
- Head Start allows students to undertake their VCE or VCE-VM for up to three years so they can spend more time in paid, on-the-job training to develop skills employers need.
- Head Start students leave secondary school with their VCE or VCE-VM and the recognition for completing or near completed their Apprenticeship or Traineeship

2024 Course Selection Process

- Students will attend a Curriculum expo on Tuesday 22nd August
- Have access to Year 11&12 handbook
- EDVAL web choices will open soon
- Course counselling interviews on Thursday 24th August, book via compass (*already open*)

Course Selection Sheet

Year 11 VCE Program

VCE Year 11 Students: All students must study two units from the English Group (English or Literature) It is highly recommended that all Year 11 students study Mathematics for the year as it is a prerequisite for many tertiary studies. Students select an additional 3 units per semester which may include a Unit 3/4 sequence or VET.

Please write in your elective choices. VET and Early Access to Units 3/4 count as one subject.

	English Gr.	Elective 1	Elective 2	Elective 3	Elective 4	VET
SEM 1 2023						
2024 Planning						

FOUR Additional Units Selected in case of clash or subjects not running:

<u>Back up 1</u>	<u>Back up 2</u>	<u>Back up 3</u>	<u>Back up 4</u>
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Year 11 VCE-VM Program

Core subjects are VM Literacy, Numeracy (VCE Foundation, General Maths or Maths Methods), Personal Development/Work Related Skills. Students must study a VET certificate (or SBAT). *When choosing the level of Maths it is recommended the choice is based on what their VET course requires.*

Please write in your choices for Maths, VCE Elective and VET course.

	COMPULSORY		ELECTIVE		VET CERTIFICATE:
SEM 1 & 2 2023	VM Literacy	VM Personal Development/Work Related Skills	VCE Maths Foundation Maths General Maths Maths Methods	VCE Elective	

TWO Additional VCE Units Selected in case of clash or subjects not running:

<u>Back up 1</u>	<u>Back up 2</u>
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EDVAL

- EDVAL will be open for students/family to enter choices
- Return signed sheet to senior school office / Help Desk
- EDVAL choices closes Friday 16th September
- Alteration after this need to be done by Marc Fleming