



COURSE GUIDE **2026**

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WHAT IS VDSS?

If you're a secondary school student looking to get a head-start in your future career, the VET Delivered to School Students (VDSS) program is for you.

VDSS allows secondary school students to study a nationally recognised TAFE qualification as part of their secondary schooling.

How does VDSS work?

VDSS qualifications can be completed alongside your VCE or VCE VM studies. They give you the opportunity to explore and gain new skills in the industries and career pathways that interest you.

As a VDSS student, you'll attend classes at GOTAFE one day per week at one of our campuses, or online. You'll combine VDSS study with your school classes, and your VDSS course may even contribute towards your ATAR.

Any Questions?



Scan the QR code to find out more, discuss your options with your VDSS Coordinator or contact the GOTAFE VDSS team via **1300 GOTAFE (468 233)** or email vdss@gotafe.vic.edu.au or sbat@gotafe.vic.edu.au

Age
15-19
Years

1 day
per week



WHO CAN ENROL?

School students

School students will attend one day a week at the relevant GOTAFE campus while continuing at school. As a school student, you stay enrolled at your school and combine your chosen VDSS training primarily with your Year 10, 11 or 12 VCE or VCE VM program.

GOTAFE students

Students enrolling in GOTAFE VCE VM can combine a VDSS course into their VCE VM program. They will attend one day a week for their VET program at the relevant campus.

Students from non-government school

Students enrolling in a non-government school can combine VDSS training for one day a week at the relevant campus with programs offered by their provider.

Home-schooled students

Please note that if you are enrolled as a home-schooled student, you are unable to apply for a VDSS program. You must be enrolled in a Secondary School program to be considered for a VDSS program.

HOW, WHERE & WHEN DO I ENROL?

School students

Secondary school students wishing to participate in a GOTAFE VDSS program should work with their VDSS Coordinator or Career Advisor to submit an expression of interest to GOTAFE.

GOTAFE will then work with the school and the student to begin the process to get you enrolled into the course of your choice.

GOTAFE students

GOTAFE students wishing to undertake a VDSS program should notify their VCE VM Teacher. Upon receipt of your expression of interest from the Teacher, you will be referred to a GOTAFE VDSS staff member.



Students from non-government schools

Students undertaking their education in a non-government school should discuss their proposed program with their educational provider. your School should then contact GOTAFE VDSS staff on 1300 468 233.



COURSE COSTS & HOW MUCH DO I PAY?

All VDSS students

When enrolling in a VDSS program at GOTAFE through your school, GOTAFE will charge your school directly for tuition and materials.

Catholic, Private and Independent schools can determine their own fee structure and we'd encourage you to speak with them directly about their own payment policies and expectations.

All GOTAFE material fees include learning resources and consumables (at a minimum). Additional material inclusions will be listed at program level. All fees are listed for the calendar year of enrolment only and are subject to change without notification.

VET CONTRIBUTION TO VCE & VCE VM

With the exception of English, there is no limit on the VET programs that may contribute to satisfactory completion of the VCE or VCE VM. VET may be fully incorporated into the VCE as VCE VET or Block Credit Program.

VCE VET programs

VCE VET programs are vocational training programs approved by VCAA.

VCE VET programs offer students the opportunity to gain both the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) and a nationally recognised Vocational Education and Training (VET) certificate.

VCE VET programs are fully recognised within the Units 1 to 4 structure of the VCE and VCE VM and contribute towards satisfactory completion of the VCE and VCE VM. VCE VET units have the same status as other VCE units.

Some of the VCE VET programs offer scored assessment. Students that satisfy all the requirements of scored assessment and demonstrate competency in the units of competency that make up a Unit 3–4 sequence are eligible for a study score. The study score contributes to the ATAR as one of the best four subjects or as a fifth or sixth subject.

The VCE VET programs, not offering scored assessment, may provide an ATAR increment. The increment is 10% of the fourth study score in the primary four scaled subjects.



Block Credit VET programs

VET undertaken by secondary students as part of their VCE or VCE VM that is not part of the VCAA approved VCE VET programs, provides a student with an opportunity for Block Credit. Block Credit is available for full or partial completion of a VET qualification or state-accredited curriculum.

To achieve credit into the VCE, students must fully or partially complete the VET course that provides Block Credit.

- Certificate II qualifications provide Block Credit at VCE units 1 and 2 level. Each completed 90 nominal hours of training provides one VCE unit of credit. Credit accrues in the following sequence: units 1, 2, 1 and 2 up to a maximum of six VCE units.
- Certificate III qualifications provide credit at VCE units 1 to 4 level. Each completed 90 nominal hours of training provides one VCE unit of credit. Credit accrues in the following sequence: units 1, 2, 3, 4, 3 and 4 up to a maximum of six VCE units.

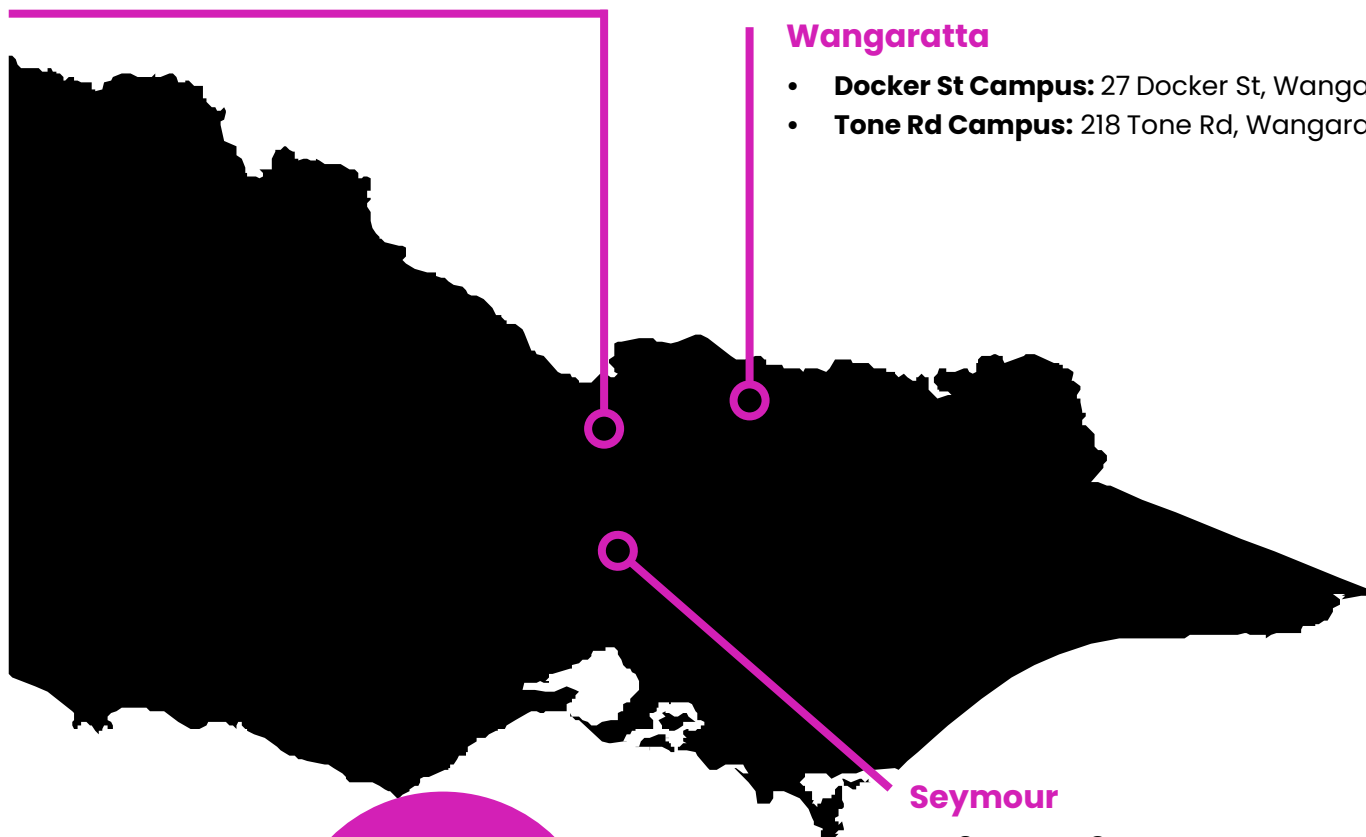
GOTAFE CAMPUSES

Shepparton

- **Fryers St Campus:** 152-200 Fryers St, Shepparton
- **Archer St Campus:** 290-300 Archer St, Shepparton
- **William Orr Campus:** 260 Wanganui Rd, Shepparton

Wangaratta

- **Docker St Campus:** 27 Docker St, Wangaratta
- **Tone Rd Campus:** 218 Tone Rd, Wangaratta



Find out more
about our
campuses,
facilities and
study areas on
our website.

Seymour

- **Seymour Campus:**
35 Wallis St, Seymour
- **Seymour Trades Training Centre**
30 Loco Street, Seymour

TRANSPORT

There is limited public transport to our campuses. Please get in contact with your VET Coordinator to discuss travel options if required.

VDSS APPLICATION

The Process

1 SCHOOL APPROVAL

If you know which course you're interested in, speak with your school's VET Coordinator. They can explain the VDSS application process and ensure your course selections are endorsed.

If you're unsure which course to choose, you can request support from a GOTAFE Youth Engagement Officer (via your school careers advisor) to explore your options. Your course selections must be endorsed by your school before proceeding.

2 APPLICATION

Once your course has been chosen and approved by your school, you're ready to apply.

You can pick two course preferences. Start by scanning the QR code at the top of the course page for your first choice. Applications open on Monday, 4 August 2025.

**ALL APPLICATIONS CLOSE
25 NOVEMBER 2025**

3 STUDENT SHORTLISTING PROCESS

Some courses may require a pre-entry test or attendance at an information session as part of the application process. If the course you've applied for includes this requirement, GOTAFE will inform your school. After your application is processed, you'll receive an email confirming your offer. To secure your place, you and your parent or guardian must accept the offer.

4 YOU'RE ENROLLED

Hooray! If you have accepted your place offer, GOTAFE will process your enrolment form and send you and your school a confirmation email with everything you need to get you off to a great start with your course. We can't wait to welcome you to GOTAFE.

5 CLASSES COMMENCE

You'll join our VDSS class in 2026 commencing the first week in February. You will be notified which day of the week your program will be running.

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW



SCAN THE
QR CODE TO VIEW
THE STUDENT
HANDBOOK

Induction

All students must read the GOTAFE Student Handbook. The Handbook provides students with all the information and resources they need to begin their studies with GOTAFE. Induction must be completed prior to course commencement.

Program withdrawals

If you're considering withdrawing from your VDSS course, you must speak with your school first.

All withdrawals must be approved by your school, and your school is responsible for notifying GOTAFE.

Extended periods of non-attendance (e.g. four or more consecutive weeks without notification from a parent or school) may also lead to withdrawal from the program.

Structured Workplace Learning (SWL)

It is encouraged that students undertake work placements as part of their program during designated work placement weeks and during school holidays to extend their experience and employer networks. Work placement is mandatory in some programs but strongly encouraged in all VET programs. Please refer to the Program Summary page for further program-specific SWL. Contact your school for information regarding Structured Workplace Learning Recognition.

Assessment

Students will be assessed for each Unit of Competency (UoC) as being either Competent or Not Competent. The alignment will follow the principles of assessment and rules of evidence, which are the requirements of ASQA (Australian Skills Quality Authority). Assessments will be based on a demonstration of skills via completion of required tasks, written and verbal assignments, practical work, classroom participation, projects or written, verbal and/or online tests.

Pre-entry requirements

It is desirable for students to have completed work experience (in their chosen program area) through their school before joining the program. Most programs are targeted at Years 10–12, although some VET programs mandate Year 11 as a minimum entry point. Some programs have an application process and capped class numbers. Please refer to the Program Summary section for further details.

BYOD (Bring your own device)

All programs will require students to have their own laptop device.

GOTAFE recommends the following system requirements:

Supported Windows Operating Systems

- Windows 10 (until Microsoft support ends Oct 14, 2025)
- Windows 11

Supported MacOS

- MacOS 15.5 Sequoia

Supported iOS Version

- iOS 18.5

Please note: There is limited support for Chromebook and Android devices and older versions of Windows, MacOS and iOS devices.

Code of conduct

Students will be provided with the Student Code of Conduct on their first day of class during induction.

Compulsory dress requirements

Some courses have specific uniform and PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) requirements.

You'll receive full details in your course commencement information, and these will be explained during course information sessions.

If you're unsure what's required, speak to your school VET coordinator.

Absences

If you are unable to attend your VDSS class, you must notify your school's VET Coordinator.

Your school is responsible for informing GOTAFE of any absences.

GOTAFE will also notify your school of any unexplained absences, late arrivals, or early departures.

Punctuality

Students are expected to arrive on time for their classes. Students who arrive late for class will be recorded as late, and their school will be notified accordingly. In some practical environments, due to OH&S regulations, students may be refused entry if they arrive late.

Communication

GOTAFE communicates directly with your school regarding your progress and any other relevant information they may request. Parents should contact their school's VET Coordinator, who will liaise with GOTAFE on your behalf.

DURATION AND ATTENDANCE

On campus

Students must attend one day per week during the Victorian school term to complete their qualification. For course outcomes and program durations, please refer to the Program Summary page.



Online

Online programs take two years to complete. Students learn through a blend of online learning, video conference tutorials with industry expert teacher/s, work placement and on-campus workshops. The flexibility of online education allows students to join classes from schools at a distance and fit in with their school's timetable. Webinars are delivered on a Wednesday and attendance is compulsory. Students are required to attend on-campus workshops at our campuses each year to develop and be assessed in practical skills.

YOUR GOTAFE COMMITMENT

By enrolling and signing the enrolment form for a chosen VDSS course you (the student):

- Agree to abide by the policies, procedures and standards of conduct and rules of GOTAFE.
- Will abide by the social media policy, the student code of conduct and child safe policy.
- Authorise GOTAFE, or its agent, in the event of illness or accident, where next of kin/emergency contact cannot be made within reasonable time, to seek ambulance, medical or surgical treatment at your cost.

You and your parents/guardians are also made aware of the following:

- You acknowledge that non-school environments differ from school environments and direct supervision from staff will not be provided during breaks at the external provider(s).
- You are aware that no responsibility is accepted by GOTAFE for the loss, theft or damage of personal property belonging to or in the possession of students.

- GOTAFE does not provide ambulance cover.
- Next of kin will be notified as soon as practicable in the event of any illness or injury to the student.
- If GOTAFE are not able to get in touch with the parent/guardian in a timely matter, GOTAFE are authorised to administer first aid.
- Students or their parent/guardian must provide details of any known medical condition(s) which may affect the student, and any current or recent medication(s) or treatment(s) relating to the student that may be relevant on the GOTAFE enrolment form.
- Please alert GOTAFE if there are any changes to the student's details or if you become aware of any circumstances which raise concerns to the safety of the student participating in their VET course.

ANIMAL STUDIES

ACM20121 Certificate II in Animal Care (VCE VET) Full Qualification

CAMPUS

Tone Rd, Wangaratta

DELIVERY MODE

Blended learning – online studies with *Compulsory Practical Skills Workshops

COURSE OVERVIEW

Are you passionate about working with animals and looking to turn that passion into a career? This course is the perfect entry point into the animal care industry, providing the foundational knowledge and hands-on skills to care for a wide range of companion animals.

You'll learn how to:

- Work safely and responsibly in the companion animal industry
- Provide daily care for a variety of animals, including feeding, grooming, and enrichment
- Support animal health and welfare through basic hygiene, handling, and observation techniques
- Communicate effectively with clients and colleagues in a professional setting
- Apply workplace health and safety practices in animal care environments

This course is delivered through blended learning, with weekly online webinars (Wednesdays) during school terms and compulsory practical skills workshops at the Wangaratta Tone Rd campus. Students must have access to a laptop and reliable internet.

MANDATORY PLACEMENT

To successfully complete the course, students must also undertake a minimum of 40 hours of practical placement in a companion animal business across the two years.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking ACM20121 Certificate II in Animal Care are eligible for up to three VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level and a VCE VET Units 3 and 4 sequence on their VCE, VCE VM, or VPC statement of results. Scored assessment is not offered.

*COMPULSORY PRACTICAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Students must attend two practical skills workshops during each year of the program. In addition, first year students are required to attend a face-to-face induction day.

The purpose of the workshops are to:

- Provide students with strategies for working safely with animals
- Expose students to a variety of animals found in the industry
- Prepare for structured workplace learning
- Meet staff and fellow students
- Complete practical assessment tasks
- Develop skills and knowledge in various other areas relevant to working in the animal care industry.

Workshops are only offered from Wangaratta Regional Study Centre Tone Rd, Wangaratta.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

Students who are well-suited to the animal care industries typically demonstrate a strong sense of compassion and empathy toward animals, alongside a genuine interest in their welfare. They are patient, observant, and responsible, understanding that animal care often requires dedication, routine, and the ability to respond calmly in unpredictable situations.

A good candidate is physically active and not deterred by hands-on tasks, such as cleaning, feeding, and handling animals in varied environments. They should also possess good communication skills to interact effectively with pet owners, team members, and professionals, as well as a willingness to learn about animal health, behavior, and safety practices.

CAREER PATHWAYS

Entry level positions in various animal care settings, including animal shelters, veterinary clinics, pet grooming services, and wildlife care facilities.

Emily Kraft

St Mary of the Angels Secondary College

“ I like that my course is online because I can work on it in my own time, with weekly webinars if I have any questions. There is also opportunity for work placement, which has led me to a casual job at a boarding kennel. The animal care course has also opened doors for future studies at university to become a Vet nurse. ”



EQUINE

22647VIC Certificate III in Equine Studies (VCE VET) Full Qualification

CAMPUS

Tone Rd, Wangaratta

DELIVERY MODE

Blended learning – online studies with *Compulsory Practical Skills Workshops

COURSE OVERVIEW

Are you passionate about horses and considering a future in the equine industry? This course is designed to give you the practical skills and scientific knowledge needed to care for, handle, and manage horses in a variety of settings.

You'll learn how to:

- Handle horses safely in stables, paddocks, and at trackwork
- Follow safe work practices in equine environments
- Understand horse anatomy and physiology, and relate form to function
- Prepare feeding programs and monitor equine health and welfare
- Identify and describe equine breeding practices, including the care of pregnant mares, foals, and young horses
- Work effectively in equine organisations and apply workplace communication and teamwork skills
- Support veterinary and breeding procedures through knowledge of horse biology and healthcare

This qualification provides a pathway to further training or employment in areas such as racing, breeding, equine veterinary services, riding instruction, or equestrian facility management.

The course is delivered through blended learning, combining weekly online sessions with compulsory in-person practical workshops held at the Wangaratta Tone Rd campus. Students must have access to a computer and reliable internet.

MANDATORY PLACEMENT

Students must complete a minimum of 40 hours of structured work placement in an approved animal care facility across the duration of the course.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. The Certificate III in Equine Studies offers up to six VCE credits for students: two credits at Units 1 and 2 level, and a Units 3 and 4 sequence contributing two credits.

Students wishing to receive an ATAR contribution for the Units 3 and 4 sequence of VCE VET Equine Studies must opt in for scored assessment to achieve a study score.

*COMPULSORY PRACTICAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

There will be Practical Skills Workshops held in each year of the program. Students are expected to attend the workshops. Year 1 Practical Workshops will be held during the school term and are compulsory to attend.

The purpose of the Year 1 Practical workshops are to:

- Provide students with strategies for working safely around horses and understand safe work practices in industry.
- Complete practical assessment tasks relating to equine units undertaken

The purpose of Year 2 workshops are for students to:

- Demonstrate practical skills working with horses, including equine health and first aid techniques
- Complete practical assessment tasks
- Prepare for the VCE exam if undertaking Scored assessment
- In addition to workshops, opportunities to attend extra curriculum activities to further knowledge across all aspects of Equine industry through Seminars and excursions are available to students in the school holidays.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is suited to students who:

- Have a genuine love of horses and a desire to work with them regularly
- Are confident and responsible around large animals
- Can remain calm, observant, and focused in dynamic or potentially hazardous environments
- Are physically capable of performing manual tasks such as grooming, mucking out, feeding, and leading horses
- Are interested in animal health, anatomy, and horse welfare
- Can work effectively in a team and follow instructions in outdoor, hands-on settings

These qualities will support success in both the program and future careers across the equine and animal care industries.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Groom
- Stable or Stud Hand
- Riding Coach

AGRICULTURE

AHC20122 Certificate II in Agriculture (VCE VET) Full Qualification

CAMPUS

Shepparton

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Interested in working on the land and building a career in agriculture? This course provides practical, hands-on skills and knowledge to prepare students for work in farming, livestock, and land management.

You'll learn how to:

- Assist with animal care, feeding, and handling
- Operate basic farm machinery and equipment safely
- Carry out fencing, irrigation, and general maintenance tasks
- Work with livestock such as sheep, cattle, or poultry
- Follow workplace health and safety procedures
- Understand sustainable farming practices and land use.

This qualification offers pathways into diverse agricultural industries, including beef and dairy farming, sheep and poultry production, cropping, rural operations, and more.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking AHC20122 Certificate II in Agriculture are eligible for up to four VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level, and a VCE VET Units 3 and 4 sequence. Scored assessment is not available.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is suited to students who:

- Enjoy working outdoors and being physically active
- Are interested in farming, livestock, and rural environments
- Are practical, hands-on learners with a mechanical mindset
- Have good communication skills and enjoy team-based work
- Are confident and patient when handling animals
- Have an interest in sustainability, environmental management, and primary industries.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Assistant animal attendant/stockperson
- Assistant farm or station hand/worker/labourer
- Assistant Farm Fencing Contractor
- Farm machinery worker
- Jillaroo/Jackaroo
- Saleyard livestock Worker



MAKE-UP

SHB30221 Certificate III in Make-Up (VCE VET) Partial Completion

CAMPUS

Shepparton

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

If you're passionate about make-up, creativity, and helping people look and feel their best, this course is a great starting point for a career in the beauty industry.

You'll learn how to:

- Apply make-up for a range of purposes, including day, evening, and special events
- Consult with clients to design and recommend suitable make-up looks
- Use a variety of tools and techniques to apply foundation, contour, eye and lip make-up
- Work safely and hygienically in a beauty environment
- Communicate professionally and build client relationships.

This program is delivered in a real-world learning environment and is designed to give you a taste of what a future in beauty could look like. It's a fantastic first step into a vibrant and creative industry.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

Students may accrue two or more VCE VET units of credit at Units 1 and 2 level by completing a minimum of 180 nominal hours across multiple certificate II or III qualifications.

From 2024, students may further accrue a VCE VET Unit 3-4 sequence by completing an additional 180 nominal hours in one certificate, provided that it is drawn from:

- the same industry group as at least one certificate from the student's first 180 hours of VET
- a VE1 – VCE VET program that provides a Unit 3-4 sequence
- a VE3 – Other VET qualification at a certificate III level.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

Students who thrive in the make-up industry often bring creativity, attention to detail, and a genuine interest in helping others feel confident. Ideal personal qualities include:

- Artistic flair and a keen eye for colour, design, and detail
- Patience and tact – important for working closely with clients and understanding their needs
- Strong communication skills – to build trust and provide professional advice
- Excellent hand-eye coordination – for precise and flawless make-up application
- High standards of personal grooming and hygiene – essential in professional settings
- Confident body language and a polished presentation
- Responsibility and reliability – especially when working in fast-paced, client-focused environments
- A commitment to delivering outstanding customer service.

These qualities will help you succeed in the dynamic and creative world of make-up artistry.



CAREER PATHWAYS

- Make-up Artist
- Beautician
- Cosmetic & Retail consultant

BEAUTY

SHB30121 Cert III in Beauty Services (VCE VET) Partial Completion

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta,
Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Are you passionate about beauty, skincare, and helping others feel confident? The SHB30121 Certificate III in Beauty is your gateway to a career in the beauty industry, where creativity meets care.

You'll learn how to:

- Provide a range of beauty treatments including waxing, lash and brow services, and nail care
- Apply make-up for everyday and special occasions
- Offer advice on skincare routines and product selection
- Maintain hygiene and safety standards in a salon environment
- Deliver professional customer service and work effectively as part of a beauty team
- This course gives you hands-on experience and the essential skills to work in a variety of beauty roles.

Whether you want to work in a salon, spa, department store, or freelance, this course will help you build the confidence and practical skills to launch your beauty career.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

Students may accrue two or more VCE VET units of credit at Units 1 and 2 level by completing a minimum of 180 nominal hours across multiple certificate II or III qualifications.

From 2024, students may further accrue a VCE VET Unit 3–4 sequence by completing an additional 180 nominal hours in one certificate, provided that it is drawn from:

- the same industry group as at least one certificate from the student's first 180 hours of VET
- a VE1 – VCE VET program that provides a Unit 3–4 sequence
- a VE3 – Other VET qualification at a certificate III level.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

To succeed in the beauty industry, it helps to be creative, detail-oriented, and passionate about helping others feel their best. Students who enjoy working with colour, design, and aesthetics often thrive in this field.

Important personal qualities include:

- Patience and empathy – essential for understanding clients' needs and making them feel comfortable.
- Great communication skills – to build rapport and provide clear, professional advice.
- Strong hand-eye coordination – for delivering precise beauty treatments.
- Professionalism – shown through neat grooming, good personal hygiene, and positive body language.
- Reliability and responsibility – especially in a fast-paced, customer-focused environment.

A commitment to excellent customer service and a positive attitude will help you build trust and lasting client relationships in this vibrant and rewarding industry.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Work in a Beauty Salon
- Beautician
- Cosmetic & Retail consultant



HAIRDRESSING

SHB20216 Certificate II in Salon Assistant (VCE VET) Full Qualification

CAMPUS	Shepparton, Wangaratta
DELIVERY MODE	On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Interested in a career in hairdressing? This hands-on course is an excellent starting point. The SHB20216 Certificate II in Salon Assistant provides you with the essential skills and real-world experience needed to work as a salon assistant in a professional hairdressing environment.

You'll learn how to:

- Greet and assist clients in a salon setting
- Wash, dry, and prepare hair for services
- Perform head, neck, and shoulder massages
- Assist with basic braiding and styling techniques
- Maintain salon hygiene and cleanliness
- Support day-to-day salon operations, including reception and customer service

Completing this program can open the door to further training, including an apprenticeship in hairdressing or barbering, where you can continue developing your skills and work toward becoming a qualified professional in the industry.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking SHB20216 Certificate II in Salon Assistant are eligible for up to four VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level on their VCE, VCE VM or VPC statement of results. Scored assessment is not available.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

To succeed in this course and in the salon environment, students should enjoy working with people and take pride in delivering great customer service. You'll need to be:

- Friendly and approachable – able to make clients feel welcome and comfortable
- Well-groomed and professional – presenting yourself with neat personal hygiene and a tidy appearance
- A good communicator – able to listen to client needs and follow instructions from salon staff
- Physically capable – comfortable standing for long periods and performing hands-on tasks
- Detail-oriented – paying attention to cleanliness, hygiene, and salon presentation
- Creative and confident with your hands – especially when learning skills like shampooing, massage, and braiding
- Reliable and team-focused – ready to support others and contribute to a smooth-running salon.

If you're passionate about hair, beauty, and working in a fast-paced, people-focused environment, this course is a great fit for you.



CAREER PATHWAYS

- Hairdressing Salon Assistant

AUTOMOTIVE

AUR20720 Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation (VCE VET) Full Qualification

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta, Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Do you enjoy hands-on work and problem-solving? This course is a great starting point for students considering a career in the automotive industry. The Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation introduces you to a range of automotive fundamentals and gives you practical skills that are valued in the workshop.

You'll learn how to:

- Safely use automotive hand and power tools
- Dismantle and reassemble engine components
- Work on systems such as carburettors, fuel pumps, transmissions, and basic electrical circuits
- Follow safe work practices in a real or simulated automotive environment

This course is ideal if you're thinking about a career in light or heavy vehicles, motorcycles, marine, mobile plant, or agricultural machinery. It can also provide a pathway into an apprenticeship in the automotive trades, including mechanical, electrical, or diesel specialties.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking AUR20720 Certificate II in Automotive Vocational Preparation are eligible for up to two VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level and a VCE VET Units 3 and 4 sequence on their VCE, VCE VM or VPC statement of results. Scored assessment is not available.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is suitable for students who enjoy hands-on, practical work and are curious about how engines and vehicles operate. You should:

- Have an interest in working with tools and machinery
- Be comfortable with physical tasks and workshop environments
- Enjoy solving problems and thinking mechanically
- Be willing to follow instructions and work safely.

Have a keen interest in learning new technologies and techniques as the industry evolves

CAREER PATHWAYS

A workplace apprenticeship in the Automotive industry.

Mackenzie Hughes

Alpine Truss PTY LTD

“ I enrolled into the Certificate II in Automotive VDSS program and it was great being able to learn about a variety of skills and actually put them into practice in the workshop. I would totally recommend the VDSS Automotive program to any of my friends and anyone that is thinking of working in the Automotive industry or even if they are just interested in getting those basic skills that everyone should know like changing a tyre. I am now undertaking a diesel mechanic apprenticeship locally which is great.

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ENGINEERING

22632VIC Certificate II in Engineering Studies

Full Qualification

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta,
Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

If you enjoy problem-solving, working with your hands, and understanding how things work, this course is a great starting point. The Certificate II in Engineering Studies provides practical, entry-level skills to help you explore pathways into the engineering and manufacturing industries.

You'll learn how to:

- Use industry-standard tools and equipment in a safe and controlled environment
- Interpret technical drawings and follow plans accurately
- Complete basic fabrication and machining, tasks
- Apply mathematical principles to real-world engineering problems
- Work safely in line with industry procedures and practices

This course helps prepare you for an apprenticeship in engineering or further study in areas such as mechanical, fabrication, electrical, or manufacturing trades. It opens doors to careers across sectors like automotive, defence, aviation, food processing, and more—both in Australia and overseas.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking 22632VIC Certificate II in Engineering Studies are eligible for three VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level and a VCE VET Units 3 and 4 sequence on their VCE, VCE VM or VPC statement of results. Scored assessment is not offered.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This program suits students who enjoy hands-on, technical, and mechanical tasks. You are likely to thrive if you have:

- An interest in how things are built, designed, and maintained
- Good hand-eye coordination and manual dexterity
- Strong problem-solving skills and a logical approach
- Confidence working with machines, tools, and technology
- The ability to follow detailed instructions accurately
- A solid understanding of mathematics or a willingness to improve in this area
- A safety-conscious mindset and ability to work as part of a team.

These traits will help you succeed in the diverse and growing engineering and manufacturing sectors.



CAREER PATHWAYS

Entry level positions as a:

- Draftsperson
- CNC Operator/Programmer
- Toolmaker/Mechanical Technician
- Production Planner
- Metal Worker
- Boiler Maker/Welder
- Fitter and Machinist
- Maintenance Fitter
- Engineering Supervisor
- Plant Engineer

BUILDING

22614VIC Certificate II in Building and Construction Pre-apprenticeship

(VCE VET) Partial Completion

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta, Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Interested in building things and working with your hands? This course is a great introduction to the carpentry trade within the building and construction industry.

You'll learn how to:

- Interpret building plans and specifications
- Measure, mark out, and cut timber and materials
- Use hand tools and power tools safely and accurately
- Build basic structures and complete tasks like fitting hinges, locks, and components
- Work with angles and complete construction-related calculations
- Develop safe work habits and teamwork skills
- Improve your communication and work-readiness

This course gives you a solid foundation of hands-on skills and knowledge to support applications for apprenticeships in Carpentry, Furnishing, or other Construction Trades.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of up to six VCE VET units on their VCE, VCE VM or VPC statement of results. Four VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level, a VCE VET Unit 3–4 sequence. Scored assessment is not offered.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This program is ideal for students who enjoy physical, outdoor work and have a practical mindset. You'll be suited to the trade if you:

- Are comfortable with manual labour and working in all weather conditions
- Have good hand-eye coordination and spatial awareness
- Are confident working at heights and with tools
- Can follow written plans and instructions
- Enjoy solving technical problems and working to precise measurements
- Have strong communication and organisational skills
- Have a sound understanding of mathematics (for measuring, calculating angles, quantities, and quotes)
- Are not affected by dust or other common environmental factors on construction sites

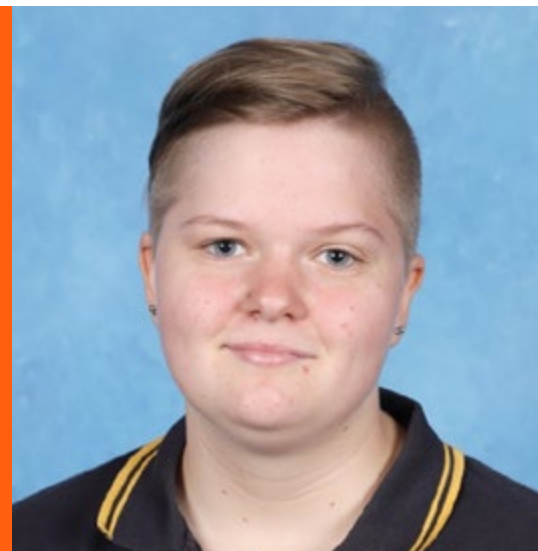
CAREER PATHWAYS

Workplace apprenticeship in the building and construction industry for:

- Bricklaying
- Carpentry
- Concreting
- Glazing
- Building

Ella Fischer Current student

“I've gained so many new skills and knowledge while doing my Certificate II in Building and Construction Pre-Apprenticeship at GOTAFE. I started this VET course as part of my Year 10 program at high school because I knew it would give me a head start into the industry I want to work in. I love how hands-on and productive it has been. The teachers are very knowledgeable, while still somehow always making it an enjoyable environment. I can't wait to see where this takes me in the future. I'm hoping to gain an apprenticeship and continue my studies with GOTAFE as I move forward into the Certificate III.”



PLUMBING

22569VIC Certificate II in Plumbing (Pre-apprenticeship)* Partial Completion

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta,
Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Interested in a hands-on trade where no two days are the same? The Certificate II in Plumbing (Pre-apprenticeship) is designed to give you a strong introduction to the plumbing industry and prepare you for an apprenticeship.

You'll learn how to:

- Read and interpret plumbing plans and specifications
- Safely use plumbing tools and equipment
- Measure, cut, bend, and join piping systems
- Install and test fixtures such as toilets, sinks, and water tanks
- Work with roofing materials and basic sheet metal tasks
- Understand the fundamentals of gas, water, and drainage systems
- Apply workplace safety and environmental sustainability practices

This course provides you with essential skills and experience that are highly regarded when applying for a plumbing apprenticeship.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking 22569VIC Certificate II in Plumbing (Pre-apprenticeship) are eligible for up to five VCE VET units on their VCE, VCE VM or VPC statement of results. This includes three VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level and a VCE VET Unit 3–4 sequence. Scored assessment is not offered.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course suits students who enjoy physical, practical work and problem-solving. You'll likely enjoy and succeed in plumbing if you:

- Enjoy working outdoors and in a variety of environments
- Have good hand-eye coordination and attention to detail
- Possess physical fitness and are comfortable working at heights
- Work well in a team and have a strong work ethic
- Can follow plans, instructions, and technical drawings
- Are reliable, safety-conscious, and keen to learn new skills

** As of 31 December 2025, this course will be non-current. New students commencing in 2026 will be enrolled in the replacement course.*



CAREER PATHWAYS

A workplace apprenticeship in the plumbing industry for:

- Plumbing
- Gas Fitting
- Roofing
- Mechanical Service Contracting

ELECTRICAL

UEE22020 Certificate II in Electrotechnology

(Career Start) (VCE VET) Partial Completion

CAMPUS Shepparton, Wangaratta

DELIVERY MODE On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Curious about how electrical systems work and thinking about a career as an electrician? This course is a great introduction to the electrotechnology industry and will help you prepare for an electrical apprenticeship.

You'll learn how to:

- Apply basic electrical theory and safety practices
- Identify, select, and install electrical components and accessories
- Use hand and power tools commonly used in electrical trades
- Perform workshop tasks and follow wiring and circuit diagrams
- Understand workplace procedures, risk control, and industry regulations
- Explore a variety of career paths in the electrical and electrotechnology industries

If you gain an apprenticeship after completing this course, your future training time may be reduced.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking UEE22020 Certificate II in Electrotechnology (Career Start) are eligible for up to six VCE VET units on their VCE, VCE VM or VPC statement of results. This includes four VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level and a VCE VET Unit 3–4 sequence. Scored assessment is not offered.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will be required to sit an online GOTAFE pre-entry exam to be considered for enrolment into this course. This will be scheduled with your school once you have completed your application.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This program suits students who enjoy technical problem-solving and are confident working in hands-on, sometimes physically demanding environments. You'll thrive in this course if you:

- Have a strong interest in electrical systems and how things work
- Enjoy working with tools and solving technical problems
- Are confident with mathematics and technical tasks
- Have good hand-eye coordination, manual dexterity, and attention to detail
- Can work safely in confined spaces and at heights
- Are a logical thinker with strong diagnostic skills
- Communicate clearly and enjoy working with others
- Are physically fit and able to work in various conditions

Studying physics or higher-level math at school can be an advantage.

CAREER PATHWAYS

A workplace apprenticeship in the Electrotechnology industry



ART & DESIGN

CUA30720 Certificate III in Design Fundamentals Partial Completion

CAMPUS	Shepparton, Wangaratta
DELIVERY MODE	On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Love being creative and want to explore a future in art or design? This course is perfect for students in Years 11 and 12 who want to develop their creative thinking and technical skills across both traditional and digital media.

You'll learn how to:

- Apply drawing techniques and visual design principles
- Use industry tools such as Adobe Creative Suite for graphic design and digital media
- Create 2D and 3D artworks including package design, photography, and digital illustration
- Experiment with emerging technologies like 3D printing and laser cutting
- Develop and present design concepts from idea to final product
- Build a creative portfolio to support further study or job applications.

This is a great starting point for those interested in turning a creative passion into a career.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking CUA30720 Certificate III in Design Fundamentals may be eligible for up to six VCE VET units, with credits accruing in the following sequence: 1, 2, 3, 4, 3 and 4. Scored assessment is not offered.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is ideal for students who want to express themselves creatively and build technical design skills. You'll thrive in this program if you:

- Enjoy drawing, designing, and exploring different artistic styles and media
- Are curious, imaginative, and eager to experiment with creative ideas
- Are detail-oriented and can work independently on creative projects
- Are open to learning new technologies like digital design software
- Have an interest in building a design portfolio or applying for further study in the arts.

This course is a great fit for students looking to explore their creativity while gaining practical skills that can lead to further study or entry into the design industry.



CAREER PATHWAYS

- Design Assistant
- Junior Graphic Design Assistant
- Junior Interior Design or Decorator Assistant
- Junior Textile or Jewellery Assistant

ICT30120 Certificate III in Information Technology (VCE VET) Partial Completion

CAMPUS	Shepparton, Wangaratta
DELIVERY MODE	On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Interested in how technology connects the world? This course is a great introduction to the fast-growing IT industry and helps you build practical skills for a wide range of future careers.

You'll learn how to:

- Install and configure computer hardware and software
- Set up and manage small networks to meet client needs
- Use diagnostic tools to troubleshoot IT issues
- Apply cyber safety practices and data security basics
- Understand how IT supports industries like business, education, and government

This course gives you hands-on experience with tools such as Microsoft Teams, Oracle VirtualBox, and Cisco Packet Tracer, and can be a stepping stone into further IT training or study.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking ICT30120 Certificate III in Information Technology are eligible for up to six VCE VET units on their VCE, VCE VM or VPC statement of results: two VCE VET units at Units 1 and 2 level and two VCE VET Unit 3–4 sequences. Students wishing to receive an ATAR contribution must opt in for scored assessment.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is ideal for students who:

- Enjoy solving problems and thinking analytically
- Are interested in computers, networks, and emerging technologies
- Have good attention to detail and logical thinking skills
- Can work independently and are interested in learning how to provide quality customer support
- Are willing to learn new digital tools and software, including building web pages

A creative approach to problem-solving will also support your success in the IT field.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- IT Technician
- Help Desk Officer
- Customer Service Representative (ICT)
- Client Support Officer (ICT)
- User Support Specialist



BUSINESS

BSB30120 Certificate III in Business

Partial Completion

CAMPUS Online

COURSE OVERVIEW

Thinking about a career in business, customer service, or administration? This course is an excellent way to develop essential skills for the modern workplace.

You'll learn how to:

- Communicate effectively in workplace settings
- Use business software and tools for collaboration
- Deliver quality customer service
- Apply safe and sustainable work practices
- Support personal wellbeing and use inclusive work practices
- Think critically and solve problems in a business context

This course prepares you to confidently step into roles such as receptionist, office assistant, or customer service team member. It also provides a pathway into completing the full Certificate III in Business or further business studies.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking BSB30120 Certificate III in Business are eligible for up to six VCE VET units on their VCE, VCE VM, or VPC statement of results: up to two units at Units 1 and 2 level, a scored Units 3 and 4 sequence, and a non-scored Units 3 and 4 sequence. Students wishing to receive an ATAR contribution must 'opt in' to undertake Scored Assessment.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is ideal for students who are interested in working in business or office environments and want to develop transferable skills for a variety of industries. You'll be suited to this course if you:

- Enjoy working with people and providing great customer service
- Are organised, punctual, and able to manage multiple tasks
- Can follow procedures and pay attention to detail
- Have good written and verbal communication skills
- Are confident using digital tools or are willing to learn new technologies
- Work well independently and as part of a team
- Take initiative and have a positive, professional attitude

These skills are highly valued in many industries including retail, administration, finance, education, and customer service, making this course a great foundation for a wide range of future careers.



CAREER PATHWAYS

- Word Processing Operator
- Information Officer
- Data Entry Operator
- Customer Service Officer
- Payroll Officer
- Clerical Officer

EARLY CHILDHOOD

CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care Partial Completion

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta, Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face) and Workplace

COURSE OVERVIEW

Are you passionate about working with children and supporting their growth and development? This course gives you the essential skills to begin a meaningful career in early childhood education.

You'll learn how to:

- Build respectful, supportive relationships with children, families, and the community
- Guide children's behaviour using positive and age-appropriate strategies
- Plan and create engaging learning environments that support development
- Understand your responsibilities around health, safety, legal, and ethical practices
- Work as part of a professional early childhood team.

MANDATORY PLACEMENT

Students must complete 35 hours per year of mandatory placement (70 hours over two years) in a regulated Early Childhood service. Placement is essential for gaining real-world experience working.

Students will require a current Volunteer Working with Children Check.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care may be awarded a VCE VET Unit 3–4 sequence upon completing at least 180 nominal hours at AQF Level III. An ATAR increment of 10% may apply under Block Credit Recognition. Scored assessment is not available.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is ideal for students who:

- Are caring, patient, and genuinely enjoy working with children
- Communicate well with people of all ages
- Are organised, responsible, and able to follow routines
- Have the maturity to handle confidential and sensitive information
- Can work safely, stay calm in busy environments, and adapt to changing needs
- Enjoy working hands-on and contributing to a supportive team

Students must be in Year 11 or 12 at the start of the course. These qualities and level of readiness are key to supporting young children's learning, wellbeing, and development in early learning settings.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Early Childhood Educator
- Outside School Hours Care Assistant
- Playgroup Supervisor
- Kindergarten Assistant
- Recreation Assistant
- Family Daycare Worker
- Nanny/Au Pair.

Briana Roberts

Past Student

“During my time at GOTAFE, I've found my career path. I began my Certificate III in Early Childhood and Care (CHC30121) in Year 11, continuing through Year 12 alongside my VCE studies. While I was completing placement, I was offered a job. Now at 18, I am working three days a week at a long daycare service while I complete my certificate. My next goal is to enrol into the Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (CHC50121). GOTAFE teachers are really supportive, and I encourage anyone wanting to enrol into a VDSS course to go for it.”

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EDUCATION

CHC30221 Certificate III in School Based Education Support Partial Completion

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta, Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face) and Workplace

COURSE OVERVIEW

Do you enjoy helping others learn and want to support students in a classroom setting? This course is a great introduction to working as a teacher aide in primary or secondary schools.

You'll learn how to:

- Support the learning and behaviour of children and young people
- Assist students with disabilities or additional needs
- Work effectively with children from diverse cultural background
- Implement education programs planned by teachers
- Contribute to the smooth operation of classrooms and provide support for administrative tasks
- Follow health, safety, and legal requirements in an education setting.

This course prepares students to work under teacher supervision in a range of school-based environments and can lead to further study in education or community services.

This course is delivered in a blended learning format, combining classroom-based and online resources.

MANDATORY PLACEMENT

Students must complete 48 hours per year of mandatory placement (96 hours over two years) in a classroom environment at a primary or secondary school. Placement is essential for gaining real-world experience working.

Students will require a current Volunteer Working with Children Check.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

Students may accrue two VCE VET units of credit at Units 1 and 2 level by completing 180 nominal hours in a certificate II or III qualification. Students may further accrue a VCE VET Unit 3–4 sequence by completing an additional 180 nominal hours in the same certificate provided that it is drawn from:

- a VE1 – VCE VET qualification that provides a Unit 3–4 sequence
- a VE3 – Other VET qualification at a certificate III level.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is suited to students who are:

- Supportive, patient, and genuinely interested in helping young people learn
- Able to communicate clearly and respectfully with students, teachers, and families
- Organised, responsible, and able to follow routines and direction
- Comfortable working in busy school settings and adapting to different learning needs
- Reliable and professional in their conduct
- Able to work independently and as part of a team

Students must be in Year 11 or 12 at the start of the course. These qualities are important for successfully supporting students in a classroom environment.



CAREER PATHWAYS

- Generalist Education Assistant
- Education Assistant (special education)
- Inclusion Support Worker
- Teacher's Aide
- Home Tutor
- Literacy Support Worker
- Education Support Worker
- School Support Officer

COMMUNITY SERVICES

CHC32015 Certificate III in Community Services (VCE VET) Partial Completion

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta,
Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

Blended learning – online
studies with *Compulsory
Practical Skills Workshops

COURSE OVERVIEW

Are you passionate about helping others and making a difference in your community? This course is a great introduction to the community services sector and can lead to a wide range of meaningful career and study pathways.

You'll learn how to:

- Work with individuals and groups to meet their needs
- Apply communication, teamwork, and problem-solving skills in a support role
- Understand the roles and responsibilities of workers in community and health services
- Provide person-centred care and support
- Work safely and follow legal and ethical guidelines in the community services environment

This course is delivered in a blended learning format, combining classroom-based and online resources. It also provides a strong foundation for further training in early childhood education, aged care, disability support, youth work, and other related fields.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is ideal for students who:

- Are caring, respectful, and enjoy helping others
- Can communicate clearly and confidently with a wide range of people
- Are responsible, ethical, and able to maintain confidentiality
- Are interested in social justice, diversity, and community wellbeing
- Can work independently and as part of a team in support roles

Students must be in Year 11 or 12 at the start of the course and studying at Shepparton campus. These qualities are important for succeeding in a community-focused career.

*COMPULSORY PRACTICAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

There will be practical workshops held in each year of the program where students are expected to attend. Practical workshops are held for 1 day each term for Year 1 & 2 of the program.

The purpose of the workshops are to:

- Provide students with the opportunity to participate in face-to-face simulated demonstrations which are essential for developing practical skills in a controlled environment. These simulations allow students to engage in realistic scenarios, such as client interviews and crisis interventions, under the guidance of experienced teachers. This hands-on approach ensures that students can apply theoretical knowledge effectively, preparing them for real-world community service roles.
- Complete practical assessment relating to Community Services units.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students may be eligible for up to three Units 1 and 2 credits and two Units 3 and 4 sequences. Students wishing to receive an ATAR contribution must 'opt in' to undertake Scored Assessment.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Community Services Worker
- Personal Care Assistant
- Support Worker
- Care Service Employee
- Home Community Care Worker

Cara Gabutan

Past student

“One of the best things about studying at GOTAFE is that it divides your week. The classroom environment isn't stressful, and I feel comfortable talking with my teacher if I have any issues. Not only will GOTAFE educate you but the teachers help you understand more about the career you choose to be in and what it would be like as a day-to-day job.”



HEALTH

HLT33115 Certificate III in Health Services Assistance (VCE VET) Full Qualification

CAMPUS

Shepparton, Wangaratta, Seymour

DELIVERY MODE

On Campus (face-to-face) and Workplace

COURSE OVERVIEW

Interested in working in hospitals, aged care, or health clinics? This course provides you with the practical skills and knowledge needed to support healthcare professionals and care for patients in a range of health service settings.

You'll learn how to:

- Take clinical measurements such as temperature, pulse, and blood pressure
- Assist patients with movement, transport, and personal care under supervision
- Prepare and maintain beds and client care environments
- Respond appropriately to behaviours of concern
- Apply basic infection control and food safety practices
- Communicate effectively with patients and healthcare teams
- Work with diverse people and within legal, ethical, and WHS guidelines
- Interpret and use medical terminology accurately
- Provide first aid and CPR in health emergencies
- Understand healthy body systems and support wellbeing
- Organise personal work priorities and contribute to a professional, team-based care environment

This qualification offers a strong foundation for employment as a health services assistant and provides a pathway into further study, including the Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance (HLT43021).

This course is delivered in a blended learning format, combining classroom-based and online resources.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking HLT33115 Certificate III in Health Services Assistance are eligible for up to six VCE VET units on their VCE, VCE VM, or VPC statement of results: two Units at 1 and 2 level and two Unit 3–4 sequences. Students wishing to receive an ATAR contribution must opt in to undertake scored assessment.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is suited to students who:

- Are caring, empathetic, and passionate about helping others
- Are reliable, responsible, and committed to professional conduct
- Have strong communication and teamwork skills
- Are comfortable working around people with diverse needs and in clinical environments
- Are able to follow instructions and work under supervision
- Can manage tasks safely and efficiently in fast-paced or sensitive environments

These qualities will help students succeed in both the course and a future career in the health sector.

MANDATORY PLACEMENT

Students must complete 9 hours per year of mandatory placement (18 hours over two years). 100% attendance is mandatory, and students must wear a GOTAFE polo shirt during their placement. This real-world experience is essential for applying practical skills in a professional setting.

Students must be immunised against the following prior to attending placement:

- Hepatitis B
- Measles/Mumps/Rubella
- Varicella (Chicken Pox) Boostrix. It is highly recommended that students also have three COVID 19 vaccinations.



CAREER PATHWAYS

- Allied Health Assistant
- Therapy Assistant
- Podiatry Assistant
- Physiotherapy Assistant
- Speech Pathology Assistant
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Nutrition or Dietetics Assistant
- Community Rehabilitation Assistant

COOKERY

SIT20421 Certificate II in Cookery (VCE VET) Full Qualification

CAMPUS Shepparton, Wangaratta

DELIVERY MODE On Campus (face-to-face)

COURSE OVERVIEW

Are you passionate about food and interested in working in a fast-paced kitchen environment? This course is the perfect introduction to the cookery and hospitality industry, giving you the practical skills and knowledge to prepare and serve food safely and responsibly.

You'll learn how to:

- Use food preparation techniques for a variety of menu items
- Maintain hygiene and safety in commercial kitchens
- Work effectively in hospitality teams
- Organise and plan basic food production tasks
- Prepare dishes for paying customers in a real or simulated restaurant setting

This qualification provides a foundation for further study in commercial cookery or hospitality and can lead into apprenticeships or entry-level kitchen roles.

VCE CREDIT INFORMATION

This program provides recognition of VCE VET credit. Students undertaking SIT20421 Certificate II in Cookery are eligible for up to four VCE VET units on their VCE, VCE VM, or VPC statement of results: two Units at 1 and 2 level and a Unit 3–4 sequence. Students wishing to receive an ATAR contribution must opt in to undertake scored assessment.

PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

This course is suited to students who:

- Enjoy working with food and being part of a busy, team-oriented environment
- Have a strong work ethic, are punctual, and can follow instructions precisely
- Are committed to high standards of cleanliness and food safety
- Can remain calm under pressure and handle high-paced service situations
- Are flexible and willing to work early mornings, evenings, or weekends if required

These qualities will help students succeed in the kitchen and prepare for a rewarding career in the hospitality industry.

CAREER PATHWAYS

- Breakfast Cook
- Catering Assistant
- Fast Food Cook
- Sandwich Hand
- Takeaway Cook in restaurants, hotels, catering operations, café's, coffee shops and institutions such as aged care facilities, hospitals, prisons and schools.



CHOOSE YOUR CAREER

There are many different roads you can take to find the right education for your career

VDSS COURSE	CONTINUE STUDY WITH TAFE	EARN UNIVERSITY CREDITS
ACM20121 CERTIFICATE II IN ANIMAL CARE	ACM30122 Certificate III in Animal Care Services	Bachelor of Veterinary Technology
	ACM40418 Certificate IV in Veterinary Nursing	Bachelor of General Studies Science
22647VIC CERTIFICATE III IN EQUINE STUDIES (VCE VET)	RGR30619 Certificate III in Horse Breeding	
	ACM40818 Certificate IV in Farriery	
AHC20122 CERTIFICATE II IN AGRICULTURE (VCE VET)	AHC30122 Certificate III in Agriculture	
	AHC30221 Certificate III in Dairy Production	
SHB30221 CERTIFICATE III IN MAKE-UP (VCE VET)	SHB30121 Certificate III in Beauty Services	
	SHB40121 Certificate IV in Beauty Therapy	
	SHB50121 Diploma in Beauty Therapy	
SHB30121 CERTIFICATE III IN BEAUTY SERVICES	SHB40121 Certificate IV in Beauty Therapy	
	SHB50121 Diploma in Beauty Therapy	
SHB20216 CERTIFICATE II IN SALON ASSISTANT (VCE VET)	SHB30416 Certificate III in Hairdressing as a School-Based Apprenticeship	
	SHB30416 Certificate III in Hairdressing Full-time Apprenticeship	
AUR20720 CERTIFICATE II IN AUTOMOTIVE VOCATIONAL PREPARATION (VCE VET)	AUR31120 Certificate III in Heavy Commercial Vehicle Mechanical Technology	
	AUR32420 Certificate III in Automotive Refinishing Technology	
	AUR30820 Certificate III in Motorcycle Mechanical Technology	
	AUR32120 Certificate III in Automotive Body Repair Technology	
	AUR30620 Certificate III in Light Vehicle Mechanical Technology	
	AUR30320 Certificate III in Automotive Electrical Technology	
22632VIC CERTIFICATE II IN ENGINEERING STUDIES	MEM30219 Certificate III in Engineering – Mechanical Trade	
	MEM30319 Certificate III in Engineering – Fabrication Trade	
22614VIC CERTIFICATE II IN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION PRE-APPRENTICESHIP (VCE VET)	22614VIC Completion of Certificate II in Building and Construction (Carpentry) Pre-apprenticeship	MSF30322 Certificate III in Cabinet Making and Timber Technology
		CPC30220 Certificate III in Carpentry
		CPC30320 Certificate III in Concreting
		MSF30422 Certificate III in Glass and Glazing
22569VIC CERTIFICATE II IN PLUMBING (PRE-APPRENTICESHIP)	22569VIC Completion of the Certificate II in Plumbing (Pre-apprenticeship)	CPC32420 Certificate III in Plumbing

VDSS COURSE	CONTINUE STUDY WITH TAFE		EARN UNIVERSITY CREDITS
CUA30720 CERTIFICATE III IN DESIGN FUNDAMENTALS	CUA40720 Certificate IV in Design CUA50720 Diploma of Graphic Design		
BSB30120 CERTIFICATE III IN BUSINESS	BSB40520 Certificate IV in Leadership and Management FNS40222 Certificate IV in Accounting and Bookkeeping		
ICT30120 CERTIFICATE III IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (VCE VET)	ICT40120 Certificate IV in Information Technology (Networking) 22603VIC Certificate IV in Cyber Security		Bachelor of Information Technology (with Specialisations)
CHC30121 CERTIFICATE III IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE	Completion of CHC30121 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care	CHC50121 Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care	Bachelor of Early Childhood Education Bachelor of Education (Birth to Five Years)
CHC30221 CERTIFICATE III IN SCHOOL BASED EDUCATION SUPPORT	CHC30221 Completion of Certificate III in School Based Education Support	CHC40221 Certificate IV in School Based Education Support	Bachelor of Education
HLT33115 CERTIFICATE III IN HEALTH SERVICES ASSISTANCE (VCE VET)	HLT43021 Certificate IV in Allied Health Assistance HLT54121 Diploma of Nursing HLT37215 Certificate III in Pathology Collection		Bachelor of Nursing Bachelor of Physiotherapy Bachelor of Paramedicine
CHC32015 CERTIFICATE III IN COMMUNITY SERVICES (VCE VET)	CHC42021 Certificate IV in Community Services CHC43121 Certificate IV Disability Support CHC43315 Certificate IV in Mental Health CHC52021 Diploma of Community Services		Bachelor of Human Services Bachelor of Social Work Bachelor of Health Science (Mental Health)
SIT20421 CERTIFICATE II IN COOKERY	SIT30622 Certificate III in Hospitality SIT30821 Certificate III in Commercial Cookery		

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