

VCE Secondary Pathways Expo

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Two Parallel Pathways



Victorian Certificate of Education VCE



Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning VCE Vocational Major



2022 VCE Student Destinations





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Course	Institution
	Academy of Interactive
Bachelor of 2D Animation (Degree)	Technology
Business	Swinburne University
Design/Business	Monash University
Diploma of Tertiary Studies - Education	Monash University
Early Childhood and Primary Education	Monash University
Engineering-Civil and Infrastructure (Honours)/Business	RMIT
Game Design & Development (Diploma)	Torrens University
Health and Physical Education	Deakin University
Journalism	RMIT
Music Production (Diploma/Degree)	Collarts
Nursing	Deakin University
Primary Education (Honours)/Business	Monash University
Science	Monash University
Screen and Media (Film and Television Production)	RMIT
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Screenwriting (Advanced Diploma)/Media (Degree)	RMIT

Attendance

- Students are expected to achieve a 90% attendance record for each class
- A medical certificate is required for Senior Secondary students who are absent from a VCE or VCE VM assessment
- Senior Secondary students arriving late or leaving early must sign-in/out on North Campus



Homework Expectations

Minimum expectations

- Year 10: 1.5 hours per night
- Year 11: 2 hours per night
- Year 12: 3 hours per night



Study Periods

- VCE students will have study periods for at least one block
- They may study in either the SILENT study room or the QUIET study room





An Introduction to VCE

Most VCE subjects are made up of 4 **units**, which students study over 2 years (one unit per semester):

- Units 1 and 2 are usually studied in Year 11.
- Units 3 and 4 are usually studied in Year 12.

Most VCE units are assessed through classroom activities and exams (in Year 12).

Each unit has **outcomes** that describe what students are expected to know and be able to do. Students need to demonstrate the outcomes to satisfactorily complete the unit.



VCE Structure

- VCE is a two-year qualification
- To graduate VCE students must complete at least 16 units and at least 3 from English or Literature
- Most students in Victoria complete 20-24 units
- A standard VCE course at Bayside would cover 22 units
- An accelerated program at Bayside Christian College (we call "1:6:5") would cover 24 units.
 - Year 10 2 units (1 subject) Non compulsory
 - Year 11 12 units (6 subjects)
 - Year 12 10 units (5 subjects)



Study Designs

- Study Designs are documents produced by VCAA that outline the areas of study and explain the key knowledge and skills students need
- Each Study Design is available online from the VCAA website:

VCAA

Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority



Authentication

Before undertaking any studies all students must sign an agreement a student must...

- ensure all unacknowledged work is their own
- acknowledge all resources used
- must not receive undue assistance
- must not submit the same piece of work in more than one study,
- must not circulate or publish submitted work
- must not knowingly assist another student



SACs and Outcomes

SACs - School Assessed Coursework

- Assessment tasks which assess the unit's learning outcomes
- Completed within a limited time frame
- Part of the regular teaching and learning program
- Information is on CANVAS
- Please seek teacher feedback



SACs and Outcomes

- Each VCE study has between two and four outcomes
- Satisfactory completion 'S'
- Not meeting the requirements 'N'
- A student who does not achieve the minimum 50% pass result in any unit will resit the task
- Teachers work with students to improve their understanding to achieve 'S'



Study Scores

Study scores are calculated from a combination of SACs SATs and Final Examinations

In Physics the percentage		In Media the percentage		
contributions to the study		contributions to the study		
score are as follows:		score are as follows:		
Unit 3 SACs Unit 4 SAC End-of-year exam	27% 23% 60%	Unit 3 SACs Unit 4 SACs Folio (SAT) End-of-year exam	10% 10% 40% 40%	



Study Scores are Rankings

- Study Scores A scale of 0 to 50 with an average score of 30
- It is a ranking, comparing all students who took that study in that year
- Study Score of 30 near the middle of the cohort
- Study Score of 40 in the top 9% of all students who took that study in that year



Study Score Examples

Approximate proportion of students who achieve various study scores:

2% of students will get a score on or above 459% of students will get a score on or above 40

26% of students will get a score on or above 3553% of students will get a score on or above 30

22% of students will get a score below 257% of students will get a score below 20



Bayside and Local Schools Study Score Comparison

School		Year	Better Education Rank	scores of 40+ (%)	Median VCE Score	Median Score Percentile	Locality	IB	Unit 3-4 cohort
Balcombe Grammar School		2022	86	11.3 🖸	32	•»)	MOUNT MARTHA		132
Bayside Christian College		2022	164	9.9 🚺	30	→)	LANGWARRIN SOUTH		60
Commu	Christian nity Carrum Downs	2022	158	3 🖾	31	•)	CARRUM DOWNS		88
	Christian nity College,Tyabb	2022	278	2.6 🖾	29	*)	ТҮАВВ		105
ohn Pau	ul College	2022	296	5.7 🖾	28	*)	FRANKSTON		149
	Frankston High School	2022	118	10.2 🔁	31	*)	FRANKSTON		484
	Mount Erin College	2022	425	1.3 💋	26	•)	FRANKSTON SOUTH		132
	Padua College	2022	261	4.2 🖸	29	•)	MORNINGTON		533
	Somerville Secondary College	2022	350	0 🖾	28	◆)	SOMERVILLE		33
	Woodleigh School	2022	191	5.8 🖾	30	*)	LANGWARRIN SOUTH		143



Scaling

Study Scores are adjusted so that the overall level of scores in that study matches the scores obtained by the **same group of students in all of their studies**

For example:

In Australian Politics in 2020 the average Study Score was **30**, but the students who took Australian Politics averaged **31** for all their studies.

The scaling process adjusted the Study Scores **upwards** so that the average Scaled Score for Australian Politics was set at **31**.



Scaling

The 2020 Business Management students averaged **27** in all their studies

So, the scaling process adjusted the Study Scores **downwards** so that the average VTAC Scaled Score for Business Management was **27**

Scaling ensures that it is possible for students to attain a high ATAR **regardless of the combination** of studies they undertake



Scaling

Many students believe that to achieve their best possible ATAR they need to choose studies that are scaled up

This is <u>not true</u> and may even work against them. Most likely the score will be scaled up, but from a lower Study Score

The way to ensure that a student achieves their best ATAR is to choose studies:

- that interest them,
- that they are good at, and
- that they need for future study



ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank)

ATAR - overall ranking given to a student based on their study scores On a scale of 0-100

Based on up to six VCE results

The ATAR is calculated using:

- The student's English score
- Scores of their three next best studies
- 10% of the fifth and sixth scores



ATAR - An Example

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	Subject	Study Score	Scaled Score	Aggregate Contribution
Г	English	35	37.90	37.90
	Visual Communication	48	47.52	47.52
	Further Mathematics	43	41.43	41.43
	Psychology	41	39.96	39.96
	HHD	40	37.42	3.74 (10%)
	Dance	27	25.26	2.52 (10%)
			Aggregate	173.07
			ATAR	95.15

ATAR - Example 1



	61.4(AGGREGATE 109.4	0
30	English Scales down to 28.0	+ -
30	Further Maths Scales down to 27.0	+
30	Business Management Scales down to 26.0	+ -
30	Health & Human Development	+ -
30	Outdoor & Environmental Studies Scales down to 24.0	+

Students may use an ATAR calculator App to estimate their ATAR

This is an example of a student who obtains average study scores in these very commonly studied VCE subjects

ATAR is 61.40

ATAR - Example 2



78.50 AGGREGATE 133.6	
30 English Scales down to 28.0	+
30 Maths Methods Scales up to 34.0	+ -
30 Chemistry Scales up to 34.0	+
30 Physics Scales up to 32.0	+ -
30 Revolutions • Scales down to 28.0	+ -
30 Psychology Scales down to 28.0	+ _

Here is an example of a student who obtains average study scores in some more difficult VCE subjects.

ATAR is 78.50

ATAR - Example 3



	91.C	
32 <mark>.</mark>	iterature 9 Scales up to 33.4	+ -
32 s	pecialist Maths 5 Scales up to 44.0	+ -
32 <mark>°</mark>	laths Methods	+ -
32 c	hemistry) Scales up to 36.0	+
	usiness Management Scales down to 38.0	+ -
	hysical Education Beales down to 20.4	+

Here is an example of a student who obtains above average study scores in some more difficult VCE subjects.

ATAR is 91.05

2022 VCE Student Results



2022 ATAR Results (%)

Total 23 VCE Students

*26% of students above ATAR of 80

ATAR Range	% of students
90-	9
80-	17
70-	22
60-	17
50-	9
40-	13
30-	9
0-	4

VCE Exams & GAT 2023

General Achievement Test (GAT) Thursday 15 July 2023

Performance and Languages oral exams Monday 2 October - Sunday 29 October 2023

Languages exams Wednesday 18 October 2023

Written examinations Tuesday 24 October 2022 - Wednesday 15 November 2023



VCE Exams



VCE EXAMS NAVIGATOR 2020 STUDENT INFORMATION AND EXAMINATION TIMETABLE



VCE written exams will take place in P Block on North Campus

VCAA will publish a 2023 VCE Exams Navigator booklet which will be distributed to students

It contains rules, approved materials and the Exam timetable

GAT (General Assessment Task)

The GAT is held in June each year.

The GAT has two sections:

- Section A Literacy and Numeracy Skill (15 min reading then 2 hours 9 - 11:15am)
- Section B General Knowledge Skills (15 min reading then 90 min 1:15-3pm)

All VCE or scored VET students sit Sections A and B Senior VM students sit only Section A



Three reasons the GAT is important:

- 1. If you fall seriously ill on the day of your exam, VCAA will use your GAT to calculate a Derived Exam Score
- 2. SACs are different across all schools, so VCAA moderate your raw SAC scores. They do this using the end-of-year exam and the GAT
- 3. Monash University may consider your GAT scores if you don't quite have the ATAR required to enter the course



GAT

Section A is a literacy and numeracy assessment comprised of:

- A 2-part writing task 30 minutes
- 50 numeracy MC questions 45 minutes
- 50 reading MC questions 45 minutes

Section B is comprised of:

- An extended writing task 30 minutes
- 25 maths, science and technology MC questions 30 minutes
- 25 arts and humanities MC questions 30 minutes



Sample GAT Reading Question

The following text is a case study of a young person planning to move out of home.

Lisa is in her third year of TAFE, and currently lives with her family. She wants to move into a share house with some friends. Most of them do not have cars, so they need a house that is close to a train station and other facilities like supermarkets. Lisa has worked out that her share of rent will probably be between \$140 and \$170 a week. Lisa receives some money from Youth Allowance and also has a part time job, so she thinks she can manage this amount.

Lisa discusses it with her family, who help her create a budget. They discuss other expenses that Lisa hasn't taken into account, such as bills, transport expenses, food costs and TAFE study materials. Lisa also forgot about the repayments on the loan she had taken out last year for a holiday.

After going through the budget, Lisa realises that her income wouldn't cover all her current expenses plus rent. She does not want to take on extra hours at work because she is already working hard at TAFE. She decides to wait a few months to finish paying off her debt and save some more money. When she does move out, she will have less stress about her financial situation.

What is the source of Lisa's debt?

A. unpaid rent

B. credit card purchases

C. overdue bills

D. loan

Answer



Sample GAT Writing Question

Part A

Your school council has provided a \$5,000 grant to improve facilities. Senior students have been invited to send in their recommendations.

Write an email to the school council president in which you outline what you think the money should be spent on.

Give reasons for your recommendations.



Dear School Council President,



Sample GAT Numeracy Question

A total of 230 players participated in an Under 18 Hockey season.

This table shows data for the top five goal scorers.

Player	Number of goals	Number of games
А	27	14
В	26	10
С	24	8
D	13	6
E	10	13

Which player had the highest average number of goals per game?

A. Player A

B. Player B

C. Player C

D. Player D

Answer



Special Provision

Special Provision is available for VCE or VCE VM students who are affected by illness, disability or other personal circumstances. It relates to:

- classroom learning
- school-based assessments
- VCE external assessments

It can include:

- completing tasks at a different time
- being given extra time
- completing a different assessment task
- using technology, aides or other special arrangements



Special Exam Arrangements and Derived Exam Scores

Common **Special Examination Arrangements** include rest breaks, extra working time, use of computers or assistive technology.

- Schools submit applications for Special Examination Arrangements on behalf of their students

If you have illness, an injury or personal trauma at the time of your VCE exams, you can apply for a **Derived Exam Score**

Students submit DES applications



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- Subject & pathway changes
- VET enrolments for years 11/12
- Work Placements (Work Experience and Structured Workplace Learning)
- Year 12 VTAC Applications
- Transition from school to work





VTAC (Victorian Tertiary Application Centre)





How to apply Before you apply

Access schemes & scholarships

Offers

Applying for courses through VTAC



VTAC administers the application processes for tertiary institutions. You only need to submit one application for up to eight different courses at the same or different institutions. This saves you from having to complete multiple applications for each institution.

ATAR

If a course isn't listed in CourseSearch, or it is badged 'Direct', you will need to apply directly to that institution. VTAC does not manage applications for apprenticeships, many lower-level certificate and postgraduate courses. Most interstate courses are managed by other tertiary admissions centres.

Create an account

- · How to create a VTAC account
- · Make changes in your account

Apply for courses

- How to apply for courses through VTAC
- · Understanding entrance and course requirements

SIGN UP

- · Changing course preferences
- · Make changes to your course application
- · Supplying documents for my course application

VTAC Applications for courses commencing in 2024

Open: 31st July (9am) Close: 28 September (5pm)

SEAS Applications

TAC

(Special Entry Access Scheme)



SIGN II

Applications open 31 July and close 6th October

Applications should be submitted as early as possible to allow for review by VTAC

Special consideration: access schemes

Before you apply



Special consideration covers a range of access and equity programs offered by institutions. The Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) is a single application that is sent to all the courses you apply to. Some institutions offer special consideration programs that are not part of SEAS. For a table of institutions participating in SEAS or that offer their own schemes, visit Special consideration programs by institution

ATAR

Offers

Access schemes &

scholarships

If you are unfamiliar with Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS), whether you are eligible, and how it allows selection officers to grant special consideration for course entry, start with What is the Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS)?

Applying for SEAS

Am I eligible to apply for SEAS?

How to apply

- How to apply for SEAS
- SEAS categories
 - Category 1: Personal information and location
 - Category 2: Disadvantaged financial background
 - · Category 3: Disability or medical condition
 - Category 4: Difficult circumstances

Providing evidence

- Do I need to provide evidence?
- Description of circumstances and impact statement
- Statement of support
- Financial evidence

Results and Tertiary Offers



TAC

Before you apply

Access schemes & How to apply scholarships

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Getting your results and ATAR

Current Victorian Year 12 students receive an ATAR through VTAC in December. Some International Baccalaureate (IB) students will receive a Notional ATAR. Interstate and New Zealand Year 12 students will receive their results from the relevant body administering secondary studies.



Current Victorian Year 12 students

Your VCE study scores, ATAR and VTAC Scaled Study Scores will be available to you via the Results and ATAR website and the Results and ATAR app. All current VCE students will receive a statement of VCE study scores from the VCAA. However, only students who have applied for courses through VTAC this year and have paid their VTAC processing fees will be sent an ATAR statement in the mail.

How to access your results online

The VCE results and ATAR Service will be available in December.

To view your results online, log on to results and atar.vic.edu.au using the instructions provided there. Note: The Results and ATAR service log in details are different from your VTAC ID and PIN.

VCE students can access their ATAR in the VTAC account.

If you completed Year 12 in Victoria in a previous year, you can request a statement of your ATAR (or Notional ATAR) by downloading and completing the Request for VTAC documentation form (download PDF) and sending it to VTAC. See Dates and fees for costs.

To request previous/replacement VCE Statements of Results, visit the VCAA website.

ATAR and VCE results will be released 7am, Monday 11th December 2023

BCC Parent Portal





Senior Secondary Handbook

Here are some things you can find in the handbook:

- Term Dates
- Admin and Teacher contacts
- Period Times
- Homework Guidelines
- Student Driver guidelines
- Uniform guidelines

- Year 10 Curriculum
- VCE Curriculum
- VM Curriculum
- VCE explained
- ATAR, SACs, SATs explained



Senior Secondary Forms

Here are some useful forms you can find on the College website:

- Application for Extension
- VCE Appeal Form
- VCE Change of Subject / Withdrawal
- Application for Special Provision in VCE / VCE VM
- Permission for Assessment Absence

Permission for Class Absence

Forms

- Change of VCE / VCE VM Certificate
- Distance Education Application
- Student Driver Form
- Student Passenger Form

