

Teaching AND Learning VCE

VCE department at East Preston Islamic College is dedicated to deliver a teaching and learning experience that is absorbing, dynamic and empowers students. It works to provide academic and personal excellence and prowess in students.

The final two years of Secondary School hold a great importance as these are the years that decide the selection of vocational courses further on. VCE provides a variety of subject options for a smoother transition into the senior secondary. The interest, skills and aptitude level of a student helps determine the right path for higher education. Thus, the decision is complex as one needs to identify one's true interests.

The VCE (Victorian Certificate of Education) course is an apt course for breaking the university entrance for degree courses. The VCE is a two year certificate that recognises the successful completion of secondary education.

Year 11 VCE students are required to select five other subjects apart from compulsory English. VET (Vocational Education and Training) course can be chosen as one of the VCE subjects. Students also have the option of selecting any one Year 12 level VCE subject while selecting the five subjects apart from English as a part of their curriculum.

Year 12 VCE students are required to select five subjects compulsory including English. The students also have the option of choosing a VCE approved VET course as one of the five subjects for the Year 12 VCE curriculum.

It is mandatory for a student to complete Unit 3 (Semester I) and Unit 4 (Semester II) so that the study score can be taken into the calculation of the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) as an annual process. One is advised not to select a completely new subject at Year 12, Units 3/4 level.

VCE study program has the following three options:

- English + 5 subjects (Year 11)
- {English+ 4 subjects (Year 11) + 1 subject (Year 12)}
Year 11
- English + 4 subjects (Year 12)

VCE Year 11 students can undertake one Unit 3 and 4 sequence as part of their VCE Year 11 program which enables students to complete six Unit 3/4 sequences over a period of two years. Students who complete six Unit 3/4 sequences gain extra points for the calculation of the ATAR. ATAR of students who complete six Year 12 subjects (Unit 3/4 sequences) includes 10% of the student's sixth subject (lowest study score). This option has a downside if one attempts it inappropriately. Hence, accessing this option requires approval from the College.

- VCE/VET
- VCE Study Off-campus: Students can undertake a VCE study of their choice, outside the college with a registered VCE provider.

The Careers Coordinator and VCE Coordinator are available by appointment to assist with information and advice on suitable subjects relative to prerequisites, personal interests and academic strengths.

"Vocational education programs build self-confidence and leadership skills by allowing students to utilize their unique gifts and talents." - Conrad Burns