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VTAC Infonet: www.vtac.edu.au

VTAC Infoline: 1902 241 114 @ 82.5c per min

VTAC Lateline: 1902 210 145 @ \$5.50 per min

(5pm 27 September – 5pm 16 November)

VTAC CourseLink goes National

What is VTAC CourseLink?

VTAC CourseLink is an initiative of the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) and primarily targeted at students in Years 10 to 12. It is available free of charge to anyone with Internet access.

To use the tools available in CourseLink, you just need to **click** on the **Student Access** icon and type in your name and choose your state.

Stage two of VTAC CourseLink has seen the development of the Interstate conversion program. The Student Access program is now available in two formats. The first format is for Victorian VCE and IB students and the second format is for interstate year 12 students.

Student Access provides students and teachers with the opportunity to:

- investigate course options based on a range of search functions that include region, institutions, interest areas, Year 12 studies, study scores and results.
- Check prerequisites for courses active in 2003 (current Year 12 students), 2004 (current Year 11 students) and 2005 (current Year 10 students).
- Investigate the implications on prerequisites of removing or adding Year 12 studies for prospective courses based on interest areas, regions etc.
- Make practice applications and check whether students meet VCE/Victorian prerequisites.
- Check last years Clearly-in Data.

Access VTAC CourseLink

- Go to the VTAC website at www.vtac.edu.au and click on the VTAC CourseLink icon.
- Select the Interstate Student Access
- Read the Terms and Conditions and follow the prompts
- Type in your name and select the state in which you or the student is currently studying
- Click on the login icon
- Students will then have the choice to proceed, by clicking on 'Course Search', 'Preference Practice' or 'Logout'

About Course Search

Using the course search program will help you work out what courses offered through VTAC you are eligible to apply for. The program will also convert your interstate prerequisites into Victorian equivalents.

Once you have submitted your Course Search program you will be able to view:

- Your year 12 program
- The Victorian equivalent to your Year 12 program
- The criteria you prescribed – A list of courses and clearly in data (cut-offs) for which you meet the criteria

You are now able to search and go back and remove or add year 12 studies and then check out the impact of this change on your course choices.

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NEW COURSES THOUGH VTAC:

Courses below are not listed in the VTAC Guide 2003, however will be available for 2003 entry though VTAC.

- **Box Hill Institute of TAFE**
Engineering–Jewellery (see page 6)
- **La Trobe University**
Health Information Management/Health Sciences (see page 6)

About Preference Practice

The preference practice provides you with an opportunity to prepare your real application.

THIS IS NOT A REAL APPLICATION.

To lodge a real application you log onto the VTAC Infonet at www.vtac.edu.au or telephone the VTAC Infoline.

To add a course to your preference list:

- Type course code into course code box and press TAB key (Do not press ENTER button or you may have to start the process again), **OR**
- Select an institution, the course list will reflect according to the selected institution
- Select a course from the alphabetical course list.

- To add a course to your preference list, click 'Add'.
- To remove a course from your preference list click 'Remove'.

Note: You can list up to twelve preferences with a maximum of eight courses of any one type. You may mix Type 1 and Type 2 in your program. Type 3 courses are for international year 12 students studying in Victoria only.

Getting started with VTAC CourseLink

Once you have inserted them into your Sample Study Program (left hand list) you can either move onto the [Course Search](#) program or check out the [Preference Practice](#).

Victorian Prerequisites: Your sample studies program must include **English** to meet Victoria prerequisites.

1. Highlight a study from this box.

2. Click on arrow to add study/subject to the Examples Studies Program.

3. To remove a study from the Example Studies Program, click on the 'x'.

4. Sample studies program.

Based on either an existing year 12 program or proposed program students can continue to add or remove subjects. Alternatively, VTAC has developed a range of sample year 12 programs (four). Once you have developed a Year 12 program you can either click into **Course search** or click into the **preference practice**.

Course search function

1. Describes the steps you are about to take.

2. This option is optional: UAI: NSW or ACT, TER: SA, WA or TAS. QLD: N/A

3. VTAC Regions Students may choose up to two regions. The INFO box explains which institution is where.

4. Field of Education to get definitions, click info.

5. Institution Type Select a type of institution or one or more from the list.

6. Not quite sure where Berwick is, check out the maps for locations.

7. Course Categories describes whether they are HECS or Fee Based course.

8. Optional Prerequisites Search allows you to indicate whether they would like a particular study included in the search of this material.

To proceed click on **submit**

Course search function cont/-

1. Your studies program.

2. This section list the Victorian equivalents

3. The Course List represents all courses in the VTAC System that meet your specified criteria.

4. To check out specific prerequisites click here. Check out the interstate prerequisite conversion by clicking on each subject on the next screen.

5. Click here to go straight to the VTAC Guide Course Entry.

Course code/name	Institute/Campus	Type	Extra requirement	MATERIAL ACCURATE 2001/02 SELECTION PERIOD				MORE INFO
				Clearly-In ENTER	Fringe ENTER	% Offer Below	Clearly-In ENTER	
32011-Accountancy	RMIT University/City	TYPE 1	Y	85.20	74.65		19.23	Click here
32061-Accountancy	RMIT University/City	TYPE 1	Y	81.95	72.00		11.11	Click here
32321-Accounting	Charles Sturt University/Wentworth	TYPE 1	N	64.90	63.90		26.67	Click here
37101-Accounting	Monash University/Caulfield	TYPE 1	Y	87.00	84.40		37.50	Click here
35601-Accounting	Swinburne Uni Of Tech/Lydale	TYPE 1	N	68.50	68.65		-	Click here
35601-Accounting	Swinburne Uni Of Tech/Lydale	TYPE 1	N	1	-		-	Click here
40101-Accounting	Victoria University/Footscray Park	TYPE 1	N	76.90	76.95		-	Click here
40101-Accounting	Victoria University/Warrnibee	TYPE 1	N	72.25	72.25		-	Click here
44101-Accounting (2000)	Victoria University/Edinburgh	TYPE 1	Y	80.00	-		-	Click here

Preference practice function

1. Select an Institution

2. Select a course from the list for that institution.

3. Add or remove courses for your preference practice.

No.	Course Code	Course Name/ Campus - Institution	Add	Remove
1	11101	Arts/MELBOURNE - Aust Catholic University	Add	Remove
2	15601	Arts/GEELONG - Deakin University	Add	Remove
3	93702	Acupuncture (Degree)/CITY - Melbourne CNN	Add	Remove
4	37101	Applied Science/MOUNT HELEN - University Of Ballarat	Add	Remove
5			Add	Remove
6			Add	Remove
7			Add	Remove
8			Add	Remove
9			Add	Remove
10			Add	Remove
11			Add	Remove
12			Add	Remove

INTERSTATE STUDENT - SA
Student name: JOHN-INTERSTATE

Preference Practice - Result (This is not an application)

[Home Search/Preference Practice] [VCE/IB] [Logout]

YOUR STUDIES PROGRAM:
Drama Studies, English, Australian History, Technology Studies, Quantitative Methods

EQUIVALENT VICTORIA VCE PROGRAM:
DRAMA 3B4, ENGLISH 3B4, HISTORY GENERIC 3B4, SYSTEMS AND TECHNOLOGY 3B4, MATHS: FURTHER MATHEMATICS 3B4

YOUR PREFERENCE LIST:
Click on course name to view the prerequisites, click on course code for the complete VTAC guide entry [PRINT/SEQ](#)

Course code/name	Institute/Campus	Prerequisite Test	Course Type	Entry requirement	MATERIAL ACCURATE 2001/02 SELECTION PERIOD			MORE INFO
					Clearly-In ENTER	Fringe ENTER	% Offer Below Clearly-In ENTER	
11101	Arts/MELBOURNE - Aust Catholic University	will meet the prerequisites	TYPE 1	N	76.30	66.15	31.88	Click here
15001	Arts/GEELONG - Deakin University	will meet the prerequisites	TYPE 1	V	72.60	67.45	17.00	Click here
93702	Acupuncture (Degree)/CITY - Melbourne C&M	will meet the prerequisites	TYPE 2	V	1	-	-	Click here
37101	Applied Science/MOUNT HELEN - University Of Ballarat	will NOT meet prerequisites	TYPE 1	V	50.55	-	-	Click here

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This program will indicate whether or not a student has met the prerequisites for selected courses.

VTAC Applicant Data Interstate schools

VTAC will again be offering interstate schools with the opportunity to record data about their students who have applied through VTAC for a Victorian course.

Under the National Privacy legislation, the school must obtain the permission of the student before this data will be sent onto schools. A proforma for requesting the data and seeking student permission will be available from the VTAC Website, Schools section from August 15. Information will be available from the VTAC Website, Schools section from August 15.

VTAC CourseLink Technical specifications

(A) PC users

Hardware

- Pentium desktop PC
- Network card
- 64Mb memory
- 50Mb of free hard disk space
- 15 inch high resolution colour monitor
- Connection to Internet through an Internet Service Provider by WAN or a 56Kb modem
- A desktop laser printer with 600dpi

Software

- Windows 95/NT or above
- Standard TCP/IP protocol
- Internet Explorer (IE) version 5.0+ or Netscape version 4.7 or above
- Any spreadsheet software

(B) Macintosh users

Hardware

- PowerPC
- Network card
- 64Mb memory with virtual memory on and set to at least 44MB
- 50Mb of free hard disk space
- 15 inch high resolution colour monitor
- Connection to Internet through an Internet Service Provider by WAN or a 56Kb modem
- A desktop laser printer with 600dpi

Software

- PowerPC processor
- Mac OS 8.6 or later
- Macintosh Runtime for Java (MRJ) version 2.2.4 or later
- Standard TCP/IP protocol
- Internet Explorer (IE) version 5.0+ or Netscape version 4.7 or above
- Any spreadsheet software

VTAC privacy statements

Year 12 student information

As part of the establishment of the VTAC prospective applicant file and VTAC CourseLink, the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) has collected the personal information from the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority of

- (i) students undertaking one or more VCE units of study; and
- (ii) International Baccalaureate (IB) students undertaking the General Achievement Test.

Additionally, as the year progresses VTAC will collect and/or develop

- (i) student course preference data;
- (ii) the ENTER (including notional) and estimated data; and
- (iii) student offer data.

This data will be sent to schools for the primary purpose of student counselling, and the secondary purpose of information provision for school-based statistical and data reports

Applicant statement

At VTAC we believe an individual's right to keep their personal information private is highly important. We are committed to protecting and maintaining the privacy, accuracy and security of your personal and application information.

For further information about how we collect and use your information, who will use and have access to your information and what procedures we have put in place to ensure security of your information and your access to your information refer, to page III of the VTAC Guide 2003. Alternatively you can contact the Privacy Officer at privacy@vtac.edu.au or write to the Privacy Officer, C/- VTAC 40 Park Street, South Melbourne 3205.

Privacy statement and VTAC guidelines for the distribution of student data to secondary schools

A policy outlining the following information is available under the schools section of the VTAC website at www.vtac.edu.au. A copy of the agreement will shortly be mailed to all Victorian Secondary Schools.

If your school does not agree to the policies and procedures outlined in the statement, the principal must immediately contact the VTAC privacy officer in writing at 40 Park Street, South Melbourne 3205 or privacy@vtac.edu.au.

VICTER 2004

Amendments

RMIT University

1. Title changed:

from **Business (Bairnsdale)**

To **Commerce (Bairnsdale) (p. 45)**

2. Course cancelled:

Human Resource Management and Design (p.44)

VICTER 2005

Reference copies of the VICTER have been distributed to secondary schools. Additional copies can be printed from the VTAC website and will be available from both the Herald Sun and The Age on Tuesday 23 July 2002.

As a companion to the VICTER 2005, VTAC has also produced a small booklet for every Year 10 student. 'Choice!' will be available in schools from the end of July and should be used in conjunction with VICTER 2005.

All information pertaining to the VICTER publication is also available to students and teachers via the VTAC CourseLink program. Just log onto the VTAC website at www.vtac.edu.au and follow the prompts.

Amendments

Deakin University

■ Teaching – Primary

(Melbourne, Geelong, Warrnambool)

Prerequisites: Units 1, 2, 3 or 4—two units of mathematics (any). Units 3 and 4— a study score of at least 25 in English (any).

■ Professional Writing (Melbourne)

Middle-band: Completing any of art, classical societies and cultures, geography, history (any), international studies, literature, LOTE (any) or political studies = an ENTER 1 point higher per study, to a maximum 3 points.

RMIT University

■ Business, Bairnsdale

Course name change

from: **Business (Bairnsdale)**

to: **Commerce (Bairnsdale) (p. 46)**

VTAC Website

The VTAC website and Infonet will be activated from 9am on Monday 22 July 2002 .

Key changes

- The VTAC website now features a word search function, a site map, and 'Quick Link!' pages to make it quicker and easier to find the information you want.
- Most VTAC forms are now available to download and print direct from the website.
- Course prerequisites for VICTER 2004 and VICTER 2005 will also be available in the course search function.
- VTAC's Privacy Policy is available on the website.

VTAC Infonet

The VTAC Infonet now features an optional security password to keep application details secure.

Payment can now be made online or over the telephone using Australia Post's POSTbillpay service.

The VTAC library

The VTAC library is located at www.vtac.edu.au. To access all publications, simply click on the Library icon and select the publication that best suits your needs.

VTAC e-newsletter

Is activated from Monday 22 July 2002. To receive your personalised VTAC Bulletin direct to your e-mail address, log onto the VTAC website at www.vtac.edu.au and register your details. Information includes cancelled courses, general information and any changes to course information.



Distribution of the VTAC Guide 2003

Copies of the VTAC Guide 2003 are available from all Victorian and major interstate newsagents from 22 July for \$9.90 rrp (inc. GST). The VTAC Guide 2003 is also available from the VTAC website at www.vtac.edu.au. For those schools wanting to order single or multiple copies from your local newsagent you will need to quote:

Distributor: Gordon and Gotch
Reference Code: 080944

For detailed publications and distribution schedule refer to the schools section on the VTAC website.

VTAC Information and Publishing Services

Because of the changing face of publications the unit formerly known as Publications and Information Services is now Information and Publishing Services (IPS)

VTAC Guide 2003

New Courses through VTAC

Box Hill Institute of TAFE

The following course will be part of the VTAC application system. While it is not in the VTAC Guide details are available on page 360 of the VTAC Guide 2003 and on the VTAC website at www.vtac.edu.au

■ **Engineering–Jewellery**

Box Hill, Box Hill: 51561

Title and length:

Advanced Diploma of Engineering Technology (Jewellery): FT2.

Focuses on the design and manufacturing aspects of jewellery with a major emphasis on the current trends of jewellery design and manufacture.

Prerequisites: There are no prerequisite studies.

Selection mode: Folio (2D and 3D), interview, Supplementary Application form.

Course structure: Thirty nationally-recognised modules aligned to the engineering and jewellery fields.

Major study areas: Design (3D), Drawing, Engineering (manufacturing), Engineering (metallurgical), Management, Materials science, Metallurgy, Metals and jewellery, Photography, Product development, Quality control.

La Trobe University

■ **Health Information Management/Health Sciences**

La Trobe, Bundoora: 21961 (HECS), 21963 (Int. Fee)

Title and length:

Bachelor of Health Information Management/Bachelor of Health Sciences: FT4.5, PTA.

Provides students with the opportunity to combine a background in general health sciences, specifically public health or human biosciences, with specialised instruction in health information management.

Prerequisites: Units 3 and 4—a study score of at least 25 in English (any) and a study score of at least 20 in one of biology, chemistry, physical education, physics or mathematics (any).

Selection mode: CY12: ENTER and two-stage process with a middle-band of approximately 20%. NONY12: VTAC SI form and Faculty of Health Sciences Supplementary Information form.

Middle-band: A study score of at least 20 in one of biology, information technology (any), physical education or mathematics (any) = an ENTER 1 point higher. Relevant paid or unpaid employment considered. CY12 submit this information on the VTAC S form to VTAC.

Extra Requirements: NONY12 must return the completed Faculty of Health Sciences Supplementary Information form, available from the course Administrative Officer, by 31 October. Receipt of form is not acknowledged unless sent by certified mail. NONY12 must also submit a VTAC SI form to VTAC.

Course Structure: Course comprises 585 credit points. Compulsory professional components in each year of the course. From second year students can specialise in major studies in human biosciences or public health. From third year students can specialise in health classification, health informatics or analysis of health data.

Major studies: As for Health Information Management and Health Sciences.

Additional Information: Applicants should obtain the course information brochure which includes details of course information sessions and Open Day. Telephone: (03) 9479 2558.

Cancelled Courses

RMIT University

■ **Computer Science/Management**

32891 (HECS), 32893 (Int. Fee)

■ **Applied Physics/Engineering – Communication**

32311 (HECS), 32312 (Fee), 32313 (Int. Fee)

Victoria University

■ **Physical Education and Physics**

41281 (HECS), 41283 (Int. Fee)

■ **Recreation Management/Tourism Management**

40011 (HECS), 40013(Int. Fee)

Amendments

Deakin University

Major studies change:

■ **Teaching–Primary (p. 175)**

Melbourne: 14271 (HECS), 14272 (Fee), 14273 (Int. Fee)

Geelong: 15291 (HECS), 15292 (Fee), 5293 (Int. Fee)

Major Studies; ~~delete~~ Library Studies
and ~~add~~ Literary Studies.

Victoria University

Award title changed for:

■ **Engineering–Telecommunications Engineering (p. 308)**

Footscray Park: 40771 (HECS), 40773 (Int. Fee)

from **Bachelor of Engineering
(Multimedia Telecommunications)**

To **Bachelor of Engineering
(Telecommunication Engineering)**

Monash University

Changes to Minimum Tertiary Entrance Requirements:

Institutional requirements

VCE: A minimum of four VCE study scores including English (any) is required. See course entries for further details and specific faculty requirements on the level of achievement in study scores.

Non-Year 12: Admission to Monash University is based on competitive selection. In order to assess, compare and differentiate between candidates, scored or graded results are required. For example: (a) numerical results; (b) graded results such as High Distinction (HD), Distinction (D), Credit (C) etc.; or A, B, C etc.

Where applicants provide assessment results in the form of pass/fail or competent/non-competent indicators only, they will not be selected.

However, where graded or scored results are not available, candidates should provide additional scored information, which may enhance selection prospects. This could include: previous Year 12 results; results of other post-secondary studies; and, as a transitional measure for entry in 2003, the results of a STAT Multiple Choice. This test is administered by VTAC (see page 29 of the Guide).

For further information on Monash University institutional requirements, consult www.adm.monash.edu.au/ssd/sarb/seladmis/

Alternative entry pathways

Applicants who have not met the minimum entrance requirements or who have failed to gain admission are encouraged to (i) undertake tertiary level studies. This may include enrolling in single units taught by Monash University, another university or through Open Learning. Successful completion of at least two single units at university level is sufficient to meet minimum undergraduate entry requirements; (2) undertake graded studies in the TAFE system at Certificate level IV and above; (3) undertake studies at Monash College. Course details are included in the 'Other Providers' section in the Guide; or (iv) apply for recognition of prior learning (RPL).

Applicants for undergraduate degree programs who have submitted a VTAC application and who have skills and knowledge gained through relevant professional development and training may be considered for entry on the basis of the recognition of their prior learning. Contact the faculty that administers the course for more details.

Meeting the minimum entry requirements does not guarantee entry to any course. The following publication includes a table by course and by faculty that will suggest ways in which applicants can increase their chance of selection and assist applicants in seeking alternative entry pathways to Monash university:

www.monash.edu/pubs/return/mature-age.pdf

Course structure change:

- **Business and Commerce/Accounting (Central Gippsland) (p. 211)**
Gippsland: 30971 (HECS), 30972 (Fee), 30973 (Int. Fee)
Course structure; **change** VTAC course code reference to Central Gippsland 'Accounting' from 55251 to **55201** on page p. 346.

SMS

Offers

For the upcoming application and selection process, all applicants will be able to register to receive their offer via a SMS message sent directly to their mobile telephone. Offers will be sent from 9pm on Sunday 19 January 2003. There is a once off registration fee of \$1.10. You only have to register once to be eligible to receive an offer message in the Early Round (Non-Year 12 Applicants only), Round 1 offers (all applicants) and Round 2 offers (all applicants). You can register from 26 August. For further details refer to page 9 of the VTAC Guide (Current Year 12 Students) or page 19 of the VTAC Guide (Non-Year 12 Applicants).

Year 12 Students in brief...

- Year 12 students studying in Australia must apply through the VTAC Infoline (a once-off fee of \$16.50 inc. GST) at www.vtac.edu.au or VTAC Infoline 1902 241 114 (at 82.5 cents per minute).
- Students applying on the VTAC Infoline who decide to change their preferences on the VTAC Infoline will incur a once-off fee of \$11.00 (inc. GST).
- Students will be able to access their application on either the VTAC Infoline or VTAC Infoline three working days after lodgement.
- Each student's initial PIN is made up of the first four digits of their birth date. You will be required to change your PIN when you apply.
- For extra security, students who apply on the VTAC Infoline can activate an optional password. See page 17 of the VTAC Guide 2003.
- Students studying a non-standard year 12 (e.g. Foundation Year Program) must apply using the VTAC Infoline or the VTAC Application Form 2003.

International Students

- An international student VTAC defines as one that is studying the VCE or its equivalent in Victoria and:
 - does not have Australian citizenship; or
 - does not have permanent residency status; or
 - is here on a business visa only; or
 - is here under refugee status.
- International students studying in states other than Victoria must apply directly to the institution of their choice – not through VTAC.

VTAC Guide 2003 CY12 Ready Reference – amendment

Just a reminder that there are no very late applications on the VTAC Infoline, and that the cost of applying as a Very Late Applicant on the VTAC Infoline is \$68.00 (inc. GST). For Very Late applications, the Current Year 12 Ready Reference (p. 9) should therefore read:

	Infoline	Infoline
Applications and closing dates:		
Very late: 15 November (5pm)–13 December (5pm) (Infoline only)	N/A	\$68.00 (inc. GST)

VTAC Teacher/Advisor Briefing Sessions

Please find following an overview of the agenda items for the upcoming July Briefings for the Victorian border regions. VTAC wishes to advise border schools that those wishing to attend a session must fax David Osborne on (03) 9686 6054 to reserve a place. Topics to be covered include Guide changes; Privacy policy; Consideration of Disadvantage; . VTAC S Form (Important changes); VET in schools; SAT; and CourseLink Demonstration.

Schedule (Regional)

Date	Time	Region	Location
Regional			
August			
Thursday 1	10am–12noon	Albury-Wodonga	La Trobe University, Theatre, Parkers Road, Albury Wodonga
	12noon–2pm	Mildura	Sunraysia IOT, Auditorium, Benetook Ave, Mildura
Friday 2	12noon–2pm	Swan Hill	Sunraysia IOT, Room 3, 266 Beveridge Street, Swan Hill
Wednesday 14	1pm–3pm	Horsham	University of Ballarat, Auditorium, Ballie Street, Horsham

FIVE REASONS TO APPLY ONLINE

1. It's easy.
2. Step by step process makes sure you don't miss anything.
3. You can go back and check your responses.
4. There are drop down reminder boxes to help you.
5. 98% of Victorian Year 12 students cannot be wrong.

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