



# VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING



# Vocational Education and Training (VET)

## WHAT IS VET?

Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses allow students to engage with specific areas of interest, whilst undertaking a nationally recognised qualification as part of their HSC. VET courses enable students to gain industry relevant skills, as well as assist them to be work-ready by developing employability skills such as collaboration, communication, problem-solving, flexibility and time management. The role of VET in helping students prepare for further education, training, employment and lifelong learning is widely recognised by key stakeholders in education and industry.

## HOW ARE VET COURSES DIFFERENT TO OTHER HSC COURSES?

VET is dual-accredited, providing students with recognition towards both their school qualification (their Record of School Achievement or HSC), as well as a nationally recognised VET qualification (Certificate or Statement of Attainment).

VET courses are competency-based – that means students are required to demonstrate their knowledge and skills gained. Rather than getting a grade as for other HSC subjects, students are considered *competent* or *not yet competent* for each unit undertaken. Students who have made a serious first attempt of an assessment task and are assessed as *not yet competent*, may attempt their assessment again.

Some VET courses have an HSC exam which provides the opportunity for students to have this HSC examination mark contribute towards their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) calculation. Students on an ATAR pathway are required to sit the relevant HSC examination. The examination result will be 100% of the HSC Course mark. The examination is OPTIONAL for students on a non-ATAR pathway.

## VET COURSES AT SPCC

This brochure details the VET courses that we are planning to offer next year onsite at SPCC, delivered by SPCC teachers:

- Construction (optional HSC Exam)
- Entertainment Industry (optional HSC Exam)
- Business Services (optional HSC Exam)
- Hospitality (optional HSC Exam)
- Screen and Media (non-ATAR)
- Visual Arts and Contemporary Craft (non-ATAR)
- Sports Coaching (non-ATAR)

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## ADDITIONAL COURSE COSTS FOR SPCC VET COURSES

Additional costs for VET courses delivered at school may include: uniforms, First Aid certificate, White Card, Barista training and work placement fees.

## HOW CAN YOU SUCCEED IN VET COURSES?

- Attend all your VET classes
- Complete all assessments and achieve all competencies
- Communicate with your teacher when you need help
- Show diligent and sustained effort with all course work and assessments
- Complete and learn from your work placement. **For many courses, work placement is compulsory**



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## **SCHOOL-BASED APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS (SBATs)**

Some students may elect to complete a school-based apprenticeship or traineeship (SBAT) as part of their pattern of study. SBATs are more than just part-time jobs. They are a great way for students to set themselves up for the career they want while completing their HSC. Opportunities are available across a wide range of occupations.

The NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) has responsibility for developing/endorsing curriculum to provide for apprenticeship and traineeship pathways within the HSC. Students undertaking an SBAT have the opportunity to achieve a nationally-recognised VET qualification as well as their HSC, and gain valuable work skills and experience through paid employment.

The VET Office is the school contact for SBATs. If you are interested in undertaking a school-based traineeship or apprenticeship, it is important to visit the VET Office early! There is quite a process involved as it is a highly regulated system. The first steps for establishing an SBAT are to have a willing employer and an RTO to deliver the formal training.

## **ARE YOU INTERESTED IN STUDYING A VET COURSE?**

- Have a look at the options available on-site at school – visit the iLearn course pages and do your research
- Speak with the course teacher or the VET Office
- Sign up for a Subject Selection interview
- Select your preferred VET course(s) as part of your Year 11 Subject Selections

We hope that you consider including VET in your Stage 6 pattern of study!

# Entertainment Industry

## CUA30425 Certificate III Live Production and Technical Services



- NESAC Course Code: 26401 & 60 hour specialisation: 26403
- 2 unit Preliminary Course
- 2 unit HSC Course
- 300 hours
- 15 units of competency
- Optional HSC exam for ATAR calculation
- Compulsory Work Placement
- White Card required

### Units of Competency may include:

- Undertake live audio operations
- Provide service to customers
- Operate basic lighting
- Install and operate follow spots
- Apply work health and safety practices
- Operate vision systems
- Work effectively in the creative arts industry
- Maintain physical production elements
- Organise personal work priorities
- Participate in collaborative creative projects
- Assist with bump in and bump out of shows
- Assist with production operations for live performances
- Prepare to work safely in the construction industry
- Plan a career in the creative arts industry
- Work effectively backstage during performances
- Provide First Aid

### *Career Pathways*

Stage Manager  
Front of House Manager  
Lighting Technician  
Sound Technician  
Dresser or Costume Assistant  
Props Design  
Vision Technician  
Event Manager  
Usher / Ticketing  
Set Maker

# Screen and Media

## CUA31020 Certificate III Screen and Media



- NESA Course Code: 59855
- 2 unit Preliminary Course
- 2 unit HSC Course
- 240 hours
- 11 Units of Competency
- Non-ATAR

### Units of Competency may include:

- Produce and prepare photo images
- Perform basic sound editing
- Assist with basic camera shots
- Shoot material for screen productions
- Record sound
- Perform basic vision and sound editing
- Create 2D digital animations
- Create visual design components
- Apply critical thinking skills in a team environment
- Apply work health and safety practices
- Work effectively in the creative arts industry

### *Career Pathways*

Photographer  
Videographer  
Social Media Manager  
Video Editor  
Graphic Artist  
Animator  
Sound Engineer  
Storyboard Artist  
Radio Producer  
Film Director

# Visual Arts

## CUA31125 Certificate III Visual Arts



- NESA Course Code: 43763
- 2 unit Preliminary Course
- 2 unit HSC Course
- 240 hours
- 12 Units of Competency
- Non-ATAR

### Units of Competency may include:

- Produce creative work
- Explore the use of colour
- Produce ceramic works
- Produce drawings
- Produce paintings
- Produce prints
- Produce sculpture
- Document the creative work process
- Contribute to the health and safety of self and others
- Produce drawings to communicate ideas
- Explore and apply the creative design process to 2D forms
- Apply knowledge of history and theory to own arts practice

### *Career Pathways*

Illustrator  
2D/3D Art Practitioner  
Painter  
Sculptor  
Printmaker  
Ceramicist  
Arts and Media Professionals  
Studio Assistant  
Art Technician  
Muralist

# Hospitality

## SIT20322 Certificate II Hospitality

- NESA Course Code: 26521
- 2 unit Preliminary Course
- 2 unit HSC Course
- 240 hours
- 12 units of competency
- Optional HSC exam for ATAR calculation
- Compulsory Work Placement

### Units of Competency may include:

- Participate in safe work practices
- Use hygienic practices for food safety
- Prepare and serve non-alcoholic beverages
- Receive, store and maintain stock
- Prepare and serve espresso coffee
- Interact with customers
- Show social and cultural sensitivity
- Serve food and beverage
- Work effectively with others
- Participate in safe food handling practices
- Source and use information on the hospitality industry
- Use hospitality skills effectively

### *Career Pathways*

Barista  
Front of House  
Manager  
Café Attendant  
Food and  
Beverage Attendant  
Housekeeping  
Assistant

# Construction

## CPC20220 Certificate II Construction Pathways



- NESAC Course Code: 26211
- 2 unit Preliminary Course
- 2 unit HSC Course
- 240 hours
- 14 units of competency
- Optional HSC exam for ATAR calculation
- Compulsory Work Placement
- White Card required

### Units of Competency may include:

- Plan and organise work
- Conduct workplace communication
- Carry out measurements and calculations
- Use construction tools and equipment
- Use carpentry tools and equipment
- Handle carpentry materials
- Carry out concreting to simple forms
- Handle construction materials
- Apply basic levelling procedures
- Undertake a basic construction project
- Read and interpret plans and specifications
- Prepare to work safely in the construction industry
- Apply WHS requirements, policies and procedures in the construction industry
- Work effectively and sustainably in the construction industry

### *Career Pathways*

Carpenter  
Concreter  
Electrician  
Plumber  
Bricklayer  
Plasterer  
Tiler

# Business Services

## BSB30120 Certificate III Business

- NESAC Course Code: 26111
- 2 unit Preliminary Course
- 2 unit HSC Course
- 240 hours
- 14 units of competency
- Optional HSC exam for ATAR calculation
- Compulsory Work Placement

### Units of Competency may include:

- Apply critical thinking skills in a team environment
- Support personal wellbeing in the workplace
- Participate in sustainable work practices
- Use inclusive work practices
- Assist with maintaining workplace safety
- Engage in workplace communication
- Use business application software
- Organise personal work priorities
- Use digital technologies to communicate in a work environment
- Create electronic presentations
- Maintain business resources
- Work effectively in a business environment
- Organise workplace information
- Design and produce business documents

### Career Pathways

Administration Assistant  
Data Entry Operator  
Personal Assistant  
Payroll Officer  
Clerical Officer  
Customer Service Officer  
Program Administrator

# Sports Coaching

## SIS30521 Certificate III Sports Coaching



- NESA Course Code: 50418
- 2 unit Preliminary Course
- 2 unit HSC Course
- 240 hours
- Non-ATAR
- 10 units of competency
- Compulsory Work Placement

### Units of Competency may include:

- Provide First Aid
- Participate in workplace health and safety
- Work in a community coaching role
- Apply business risk management processes
- Meet participant coaching needs
- Maintain activity equipment
- Conduct sport, fitness or recreation events
- Continuously improve coaching skills and knowledge
- Coach sport participants up to an intermediate level
- Instruct strength and conditioning techniques

### *Career Pathways*

This qualification provides a pathway to work in community coaching roles working or volunteering at community-based sport clubs and organisations in the Australian sport industry.

## HSC Examination

*Entertainment Industry, Hospitality, Construction and Business Services* are Industry Curriculum Framework courses and have an external written Higher School Certificate examination. This examination is optional for non-ATAR students.

## Work Placement

Work placement is a mandatory HSC requirement for *Entertainment Industry, Hospitality, Construction, Business Services* and *Sports Coaching*. Students must complete work placement in an industry related environment. In some circumstances, students' part-time work in an appropriate workplace may be used to fulfill work placement requirements.

## Non-ATAR University Entry

Some universities will allow students to use a completed Certificate III for university admission. The University of Newcastle may award students a 67 selection rank for a completed Certificate III level qualification. See <https://www.newcastle.edu.au/study/undergraduate/getting-in> for more information. Some exclusions apply. Students are encouraged to complete their own research regarding university eligibility requirements.

Applicable courses are:

***Certificate III Live Production and Technical Services***

***Certificate III Screen and Media***

***Certificate III Visual Arts***

***Certificate III Business***

***Certificate III Sports Coaching***



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