



BOX HILL  
INSTITUTE



# WHAT WILL YOU BECOME?

Vocational Education & Training (VET)  
Delivered to School Students (VDSS)

2025 Program



Box Hill Institute Centenary



# Become your best with VDSS

## What is VDSS?

The Vocational Education & Training (VET) Delivered to School Students (VDSS) program gives secondary school students the chance to explore their interests and gain credits for their Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) or VCE Vocational Major (VCE VM). They will also obtain unit competencies towards a qualification at a Certificate II or Certificate III level.

**It's another way to learn and grow, that complements traditional secondary schooling.**

## How does VDSS work?

Students will attend Box Hill Institute for one half day per week as part of their usual secondary schooling. They will work towards completion of either a full or partial vocational qualification, establishing a pathway to their career and further study.

VDSS courses run for up to 2 years and are open to students in Years 10, 11 or 12.

**Get the best of both worlds. Combine your VCE or VCE VM with accredited vocational training at TAFE.**

## Why choose VDSS?

### Explore something you're curious about

VDSS helps turn interests into transferrable skills or a job. Whether you have a clear goal or want to try a potential career path, it's a great way to see if a particular course is the right match for you and gain useful skills and knowledge along the way.

### Foundations for the future

VDSS courses deliver practical experiences and essential knowledge to help you better understand your chosen industry and prepare for further study.

### Recognised qualifications

Earn competencies towards a full or partial qualification that is nationally recognised and gives you a competitive edge in the job market.

### Pathways to further education

VDSS opens doors to further study while you're achieving your VCE or VCE VM. Whether you want to continue studying at TAFE, start an apprenticeship or transition to university, your VET qualifications can help you get there.

“There are so many opportunities here that I thought would never be an opportunity in my future. I thought I would never be able to do half of the things that we do here... I genuinely think I could be doing something like this in my career.”

**Bowie**

Certificate III in Beauty Services (SHB30121)

# 2025 VDSS guide

## How to choose a VDSS course: a guide for students and mentors

Picking the right VDSS course can feel like a big step.  
Here are some questions to help guide you:

- › What are your interests and hobbies?
- › What sorts of things are you good at?
- › What do other people say you're good at?
- › What do you enjoy doing?
- › What types of work environments appeal to you?
- › What skills would you like to develop?
- › What have you never done that you might like to have a go at?
- › Do any of the current skill shortage areas interest you?
- › What skills are likely to be in high demand in the future?
- › Would you like to work within a group of people or mostly independently?
- › Do you enjoy: making things? fixing things? planning things? talking to people? helping others?

To view the most up-to-date version of our course list, scan the QR code below.



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2025 VDSS course list



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“I’m a very hands-on learner, I find that’s the best way for me to learn... Box Hill Institute offers a whole range of types of learning, and they make sure to cater to everybody’s needs and everything that we like.”

**Mia**

Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance (HLT33015) (Partial Completion)



“Having great teachers and them being mentors as well as educators with real-world experience helped me gain extra skills and extra knowledge for when I start my apprenticeship.”

**Jack**

Certificate II in Plumbing (Pre-apprenticeship) (22569VIC)

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# How to apply

For secondary school students, speak to your school’s VET Coordinator or Career Practitioner to apply for a VDSS course.

Students in homeschooling settings should speak with your registered school or non-school senior secondary provider to learn how to access VDSS.

## BOX HILL INSTITUTE CAMPUSES

### BOX HILL

**Elgar Campus** | 465 Elgar Road, Box Hill

**Nelson Campus** | 853 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill

**Whitehorse Campus** | 1000 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill

### CITY

253 Flinders Lane, Melbourne

### LILYDALE LAKESIDE

Jarlo Drive, Lilydale

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Students undertaking a VDSS course will be enrolled at Box Hill Institute. If undertaking a full qualification, upon successful completion you will receive certification from Box Hill Institute (RTO: 4687). Students completing a partial qualification will receive a statement of attainment for all units achieved from Box Hill Institute (RTO: 4687).

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