



VCE Acceleration

Course Structure

- The course structure implemented at Year 10 will enable students to select a broad range of subjects as well as providing access to VCE studies.
- For students who show an aptitude and readiness for VCE, choosing a VCE subject can be beneficial in a number of ways.



Benefits

At Year 12 Level

- Extra units = extra marks to your final score (10% towards your ATAR)
- Extra marks = greater chance of getting into a university of your choice
- Helps to develop strong study habits that are important for VCE success



Example Program

TYPICAL VCE PROGRAM

YEAR 11 Units 1 & 2	Sem 1 6 Units	Sem 2 6 Units	Total 12 Units
YEAR 12 Units 3 & 4	Sem 1 5 Units	Sem 2 5 Units	Total 10 Units

Students Complete 22 Units Over Two Years



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Year 10 Units 1 & 2	Sem 1 1 Unit	Sem 2 1 Unit	Total 2 Units
YEAR 11 Units 1 & 2 Units 3 & 4	Sem 1 5 Units 1 Unit	Sem 2 5 Units 1 Unit	Total 10 Units 2 Units
YEAR 12 Units 3 & 4	5 Units	5 Units	Total 10 Units

Students Complete 12 Units of 3/4 instead of 10



Academic Performance

- The College will check student's progress throughout the year and will review the Semester 1 & 2 report
- Teacher recommendations will be considered
- Work ethic and behaviour must be a Very Good or Excellent
- **Must be receiving a B average or above**
- Attendance must be 90% and above (VCAA guidelines)



Work Habits

- You must be committed to your studies
- Have the ability to meet the demands of the chosen VCE study as well as the normal Year 10 curriculum
- Work independently and productively
- Complete work on time (ensure SAC/SAT deadlines are met)
- Persevere with difficult tasks
- Demonstrate good time management and organisational skills to cope with the extra workload
- Seek teacher feedback both in and out of class



Application Process

1. Acceleration Expression of Interest Form (sent via Compass post)
Due Term 2, Week 9
2. Sit the Aptitude Test (General Knowledge Test) – **Monday 24 June, Period 2**
3. Review NAPLAN results
4. Review teacher recommendations – subject suitability
5. If offered a VCE subject, it will only be confirmed once the Semester 2 Report has been reviewed
6. Students will be offered a list of subjects they are suitable for, or will not be offered VCE acceleration based on not meeting the criteria

VCE subject preference is dependent on availability – Year 11s have first preference of subjects



MSA Students

- Any student wishing to apply for VCE Acceleration, including Unit 1 and 2 PE, need to complete the application process and sit the Aptitude Test
- The application process is the same for all students



VCE Subject Information

- Information regarding the VCE and the Year 10 curriculum program can be found in the **Senior Years Course Selection Handbook**.
- This handbook can be accessed via Compass under the **Community tab (people icon) > School Documentation > 2024 Senior Years Course Selection Handbook**.
- You will be notified when the updated 2025 Senior Years Course Selection Handbook is available.



Key Dates

- **VCE Acceleration Application** – Due Wed 19 June (T2, WK9)
- **Year 9 into 10 2024 VCE Acceleration Test** – Monday 24 June (T2, WK11)
- **Curriculum Expo** – Thursday 8th August (T3, WK4)
- **Course Counselling (Year 9 into 10)** – Friday 19th August (T3, WK 6)

