# Year 11 into 12 Step Up Program 2023- VCE & VCE VM



## Purpose

The purpose of Step up is to help maximise the learning opportunities and delivery of the Unit 3 VCE / VM Curriculum Program. Teachers will have the opportunity to start teaching Unit 3 and provide students with targeted holiday homework. This is to ensure students at the commencement of the following academic year have a solid foundation of required key knowledge and key skills to build upon for the rest of Unit 3. Starting teaching Unit 3 in the previous year, will mean more learning time can be spent on exam preparation and exam revision the following year, as well as increase time devoted to SACs and SAC preparation.

### Structure of the program

The Step-Up program for **Year 11 VCE & VM students** (year 12 students in 2024) is a 7-day program starting on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November and will conclude with a Year 11 Academic Review Conference on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

**Year 11 VM students** will undertake a 5 day Step Up program, starting on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November and conclude on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November, inclusive of work placement on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

It is compulsory for all Year 11 VCE and VM students, including Early Start students, to attend the Step-Up Program, as well as the Academic Review Conferences (Year 11 students only).

### What the Year 12 VCE Step Up program will look like:

- Students begin the Step-Up program the day following their Year 11 exams (Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November) and will finish on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November with Academic Review Conferences.
- Students will attend approx. 4 x 75 mins periods for each of their 2024 subjects over the 7-day period. The teacher will be from the subject Learning Area but may not be the 2024 teacher.
- Students will be able to view their Step-Up classes on their Compass schedule in the coming weeks.
- Students will be required to take laptop and writing materials to each of the subjects.
- Teacher will deliver a series of lessons to start the delivery of the Unit 3 Curriculum Program for all Year 12 VCE and VM subjects.
- Students will be provided a developmental rubric that clearly outlines what knowledge and skills students are required to learn before commencing the 2024 academic year. This will allow students to self-monitor and assess their progress over the holiday period.
- Students, including Year 10 Early Start students, will collect their Holiday homework during the last Step-Up class. Holiday homework will also be made available to students electronically on Teams.
- Year 10 early start students are required to attend Step Up and must attend year 10 classes adjacent to their Step-Up classes.

#### **Holiday Preparation expectations**

- All subject teachers will be providing resources and activities that will assist students to develop the required and set knowledge and skills from the Developmental rubric for Unit 3- Outcome 1.
- Students can reasonably be expected to have up to 5 hours / 5 periods of work to do over the holiday break for each subject.
- Holiday homework <u>must</u> be completed and submitted on the first class for each subject upon students return to school in 2024. Failure to complete holiday homework will result in attending a learning recovery session after school.