

La Trobe Pathways Reference Guide

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1. About our pathways

La Trobe offer a list of pathways for students to consider...

A pathway is a small left turn before a student gets to their true destination. There are more ways to getting into university then you think. Students don't just need to rely on an ATAR for everything. Pathways were introduced to help the student follow their dreams.

So, completing a diploma or starting a pathways bachelor's degree will get them on the path, students are no far behind by completing or starting a pathway. Most pathway courses or diplomas include the first-year subjects of your desired course. If students are unsure of the pathway to choose or don't get the ATAR for the desired course, this guide should make it easier to find their plan B.

Whether it be starting a diploma at TAFE or completing a La Trobe alternative pathway. There are benefits to completing either a TAFE or University Pathway. TAFE certificates and diplomas may qualify students to work and gain experience in their industry while they continue their studies at La Trobe. One of the major benefits of completing a University pathway is that you will gain experience and an understanding of the expectations of academic learning and writing.

La Trobe has close relationships with TAFE to offer support in assisting students to make the transition from TAFE to La Trobe.

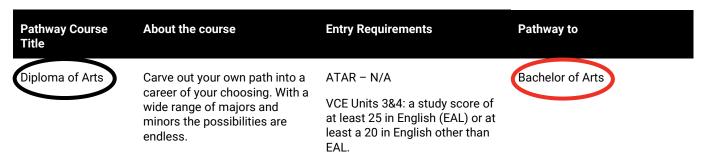
If a student is interested in finding out a tailored option to their situation, we offer student consultations with our expert course advisors. During these consultations, our team can help to find the perfect pathway, assist when applying for VTAC, and change of preference periods. To book a one-on-one consultation, visit our website.

How to use this Pathways Reference Guide

Our marketing team wants to make assisting your students with pathway options easier. That is why we have created this comprehensive reference guide to help you. Here is a quick guide on how to find the best pathway.

- 1. The pathways reference guide is set up in the individual faculties. For example, if you are interested in Arts, Social Science and Humanities you'll need to go to that section.
- 2. In this section, you will find the different courses that you can do as a pathway to the course of interest.

For example, if you are interested in the Bachelor of Arts, you'll find it in the "Pathway to" column. The pathway would be the Diploma of Arts and you'll be able to see the entry requirements for the course.



3. We have included an appendix at the back of this guide, where it details information on FREE TAFE pathway courses.

2. Key Terms

ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank) – VTAC and UAC gives you an ATAR (a number between 0.00 and 99.95) to rank your Year 12 against other students.

ASSC - ASSC is the acronym for the College of Arts, Social Science and Commerce.

Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) - Qualification type refers to the broad discipline-free nomenclature used in the AQF to describe each category of AQF qualification, for example, Senior Secondary Certificate of Education, Certificate III, bachelor's degree.

Credit/Advanced Standing – If you've completed relevant, formally recognised studies at another uni or TAFE or have suitable work experience, you may get credit/advanced standing for some or all your studies when you enrol at uni. This means you may finish your degree earlier.

CP Portal – This is the portal our marketing team created to give career practitioners a one stop resource for our course guides, university updates and includes a booking page where you can book in a school visit with us. You can register for an account if you haven't already registered via this link.

Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) – A commonwealth support place is a place at university or higher education provider where the government pays part of your fees. This part is a subsidy, not a loan and you do not have to pay it back.

Credit Points (CP) – Credit points measure an individual student's study load. Usually, subjects are worth 15 credit points, but some larger subjects may be worth 30 credit points. Credit points also outline the amount of work that may be involved in the subject. For example; one credit point equates to about fifteen hours of work, from all forms of study including on-campus contact, assessment tasks and at-home study).

Diploma Vs. Bachelor – A diploma qualifies an individual to apply integrated technical and theoretical concepts to their working industry and is used as a pathway for further learning. A diploma qualification is scaled as a level 5 in the Australian Qualifications Framework. A bachelor's degree qualifies individuals who have learnt a broad and coherent body of knowledge in a range of contexts to undertake professional work in their industry. A bachelor's degree qualification is scaled as a level 7 in the Australian Qualifications Framework.

Entry Requirements – Each course has a different requirement you need to meet to be granted entry. These requirements are usually made up of qualifications, subjects, or exam grades. Entry Requirements also include course pre-requisites of English and occasionally extra specialised subjects.

Honours – A bachelor's degree that is tagged with Honours provides students with the pathway to go into undertaking research. An honours degree also qualifies students in a professional working to be scaled at a level 8 on the Australian Qualification Framework.

Pre-Training Review – For TAFE courses, a pre-training review must be completed. Pre-training reviews may vary across each of the different courses offered at SuniTAFE. A pre-training review involves sitting <u>an ACER Literacy and numeracy</u> assessment to find our what skill level you are at and in some cases either a formal or informal interview. For more information on a Pre-Training Review please contact <u>SuniTAFE</u>.

Satisfactory ATAR – This is an ATAR above 40. ATAR's for the coming years intake (eg. 2021 ATAR rank) are not set until the very end of the year. Please subscribe to the La Trobe College Emails to find out when the ATAR's for all LTCA diplomas are released.

SHE - SHE is the acronym for the College of Science, Health and Engineering.

WAM – Weighted Average Mark is the mark calculation that La Trobe uses instead of the general Grade Point Average (GPA). To calculate a student's WAM, you use the following formula: Sum of (final marks x subject credit points)/ sum of total credit points = WAM.

3. Achieve at La Trobe

An ATAR score is one way of getting into university – but not the only way of measuring your achievement. La Trobe Research shows that there is a number of other ways to predict a student's success. That's why La Trobe has introduced an alternate entry pathway that involves students studying a single uni subject online in Semester 2, 2020, and use the mark achieved to get into a selected range of courses.

Achieve at La Trobe gives students a taste of uni life and unlocks an offer to an eligible degree based on the uni subjects' marks. Depending on the subject students choose, they can receive credit towards their future degree.

Eligibility: Achieve at La Trobe is available to all VCE, HSC and IB students including ungraded students

Cost: Achieve at La Trobe is completely FREE and ONLINE. Students must apply through the La Trobe website.

How To Apply: Students can apply for study through our Achieve at La Trobe online form.

2020 Dates: Students can start their chosen subject in November 2020. Students will complete this subject alongside their Year 12 subjects.

College	Subject	Course Code	Delivery
SHE	Inside Information Technology	CSE1IIT	Online study period 6* (26 th Nov – 20 th Dec)
SHE	Programming Environment	CSE1PE	Online study period 6* (2 nd Nov – 20 th Dec)
ASSC	Economic Issues and Public Policy	BUS1BUE	Term 6 (2 nd Nov - 11 th Dec)
ASSC	Accounting for Management Decisions	ACC1AMD	Term 6 (2 nd Nov - 11 th Dec)

*Please not online study period 6 subjects will be taught in a 6-week intensive mode and will only likely suit students who are completing an unscored VCE.

There are a large range of subject available that are eligible through the Achieve at La Trobe program including Business, Biology, Chemistry, Education, Engineering, Health, IT, Law and Humanities. These subjects will provide entry into several our courses (excluding some course offering, please refer to our Achieve at La Trobe webpage).

For a full range of courses eligible to Achieve at La Trobe Students please our webpage.

4. Prepare at La Trobe

Again, a student's ATAR is not the only way of measuring success. La Trobe has created Prepare for La Trobe where students study a set of micro-subjects that will lead to successfully obtaining an entry into one of our courses. Students completing VCE, HSC, and IB certificates, will need to complete three micro-subjects. Student's who chose to complete VCAL (Senior) will need to complete six micro-subjects. For both instances, La Trobe will take the average mark across these subjects and calculate in to a La Trobe entrance score.

And if students receive and ATAR in 2020, La Trobe will look at the students ATAR score and average mark across microsubjects and use whichever mark is higher to assess a student's application. Students can choose from subjects in writing, reasoning, mathematics, world-changing science, and more. These subjects are taken from our Tertiary Preparation Program.

Eligibility: Prepare for La Trobe is available to all Year 12 students, including VCE, HSC, IB, and VCAL (Senior) students.

Cost: Prepare at La Trobe is completely FREE and ONLINE.

How to Apply: Students can apply for the <u>Prepare for La Trobe program Online</u>. Some requirements for the application are listed below:

- A personal statement (approx. 200 words). Students should include in this personal statement career aspirations, motivation for study and what they are passionate about.
- Selecting a course code. There are three PREPARE options when students apply.
 - For VCE, HSC, or IB students looking for a pathway to science, health and engineering, they should select 'PREPARE (SHE)', Course Code: ETPPO_S
 - For VCE, HSC, or IB students looking for a pathway to arts, social sciences and commerce, they should select 'PREPARE (ASSC)', Course Code: ETPPO_A
 - For VCAL (Senior) students, they should select 'PREPARE (VCAL)', course code ETPPO_V.

2020 Dates: Micro-subjects start every eight weeks, so subjects start in November and even January 2021. Depending on which Prepare at La Trobe pathway students are eligible for and when micro-subjects are completed, students may be eligible to apply for entry into semester 1 and 2 2021.

What is the difference between micro-subjects and a standard university subject?

Micro-subjects are short university preparation subjects. They provide discipline-specific knowledge while teaching tertiary-level academic skills. Each subject consists of approximately 50 hours of learning (including time spent doing assessments) spread over seven weeks.

For more information on the subjects available, please visit our Prepare at La Trobe uno page

5. Diploma of Professional Learning

The Diploma of Professional Learning is another great pathway for a student wanting to get into their dream course. It allows students to complete Tertiary Enabling subjects (from our Tertiary Preparation Program) as well as completing core first-year subjects from your desired course.

The way it works is you'll complete 6 tertiary enabling subjects (3 each semester) and 4 course based subjects (2 each semester) If you can maintain the equated weighted average mark for course entry you may be able to transfer to the Bachelor's degree of your choosing.

ATAR: Range of 50 or above.

Entry Requirements: VCE: 3&4 a study score of at least a 25 in English (EAL) or a least a 20 in English other than EAL. **Intake:** Semester 1 (March) and Semester 2 (July) 2021

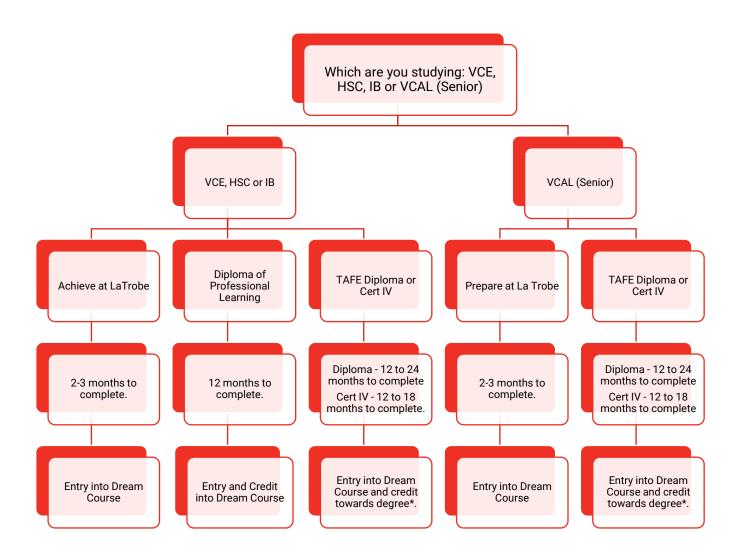
Cost: \$11,155 per year (CSP)

The following courses are available to transition after 6 months in the Diploma of Professional Learning:

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Biological Sciences
- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Business (Event Management/Marketing)
- Bachelor of Business (Marketing)
- Bachelor of Business (Sport Management)
- Bachelor of Business Information Systems
- Bachelor of Creative Arts
- Bachelor of Health Sciences
- Bachelor of Social Work
- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of International Relations
- Bachelor of Media and Communication
- Bachelor of Science

6. What pathway will suit me best?

The diagram below shows a summary of just some of the ways pathways work at La Trobe University. This diagram shows that no matter the pathway, they still will help students get into their desired course with La Trobe.



*Please note some TAFE courses do not have elibigle credits towards some of our La Trobe degrees. For more information on this please find your prefered course below to see if credits are applied to La Trobe course. Credit also varies from qualification to qualification. For example; a diploma generally provides students with one year of credit depending on the course.

7. Arts, Social Science and Communications

University Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Diploma of Arts – Offered in all regional campuses including Mildura, Shepparton, Albury-Wodonga and Bendigo.	Carve out your own path into a career of your choosing. With a wide range of majors and minors, the possibilities are endless.	ATAR – N/A VCE Units 3&4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least a 20 in English other than EAL.	Bachelor of Arts and many other courses including: Bachelor of Media and Communications Bachelor of Business Bachelor of Criminology Bachelor of Social work (Honours)
Bachelor of Arts – offered at all La Trobe Campuses	The Bachelor of Arts is a great pathway into University. The Bachelor of Arts provides students with critical thinking subjects and the flexibility to complete subjects from their desired degree.	ATAR Range - 58.45 - 82.10* VCE Units 3&4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least a 20 in English other than EAL.	Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) Bachelor of Criminology Bachelor of Laws. Bachelor of Media and Communications.
Diploma of Media and Communications via La Trobe College (Bundoora ONLY)	Study the Diploma of Media and Communication to kick start a career path into the industry. Students will be credited 8 subjects and will go into second year of the La Trobe bachelor's degree.	Satisfactory ATAR score.	Bachelor of Media and Communications.

*Please note the ATAR range is subject to change year on year through each VCE intake.

8. Business

University Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Diploma of Business	This is offered in all regional campuses (Not offered in Bundoora). This is a graded pathway into all Business degrees.	ATAR range - 55.30- 92.80	Bachelor of Business Bachelor of Business (Accounting) Bachelor of Accounting

TAFE Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Diploma of	Diploma of Accounting is a 6-	TAFE Pre-Training	Bachelor of Business
Accounting at SuniTAFE	month course at SuniTAFE. 8 subjects are credited into the bachelor's degree.	Review to be conducted.	Bachelor of Business (Accounting)
	J		Bachelor of Accounting
Advanced Diploma of	Advanced Diploma is an 18-	TAFE Pre-Training Review to be	Bachelor of Business
Accounting at SuniTAFE	month course which provides students with a great certificate and 12 subjects (1.5 years)	Review to be conducted.	Bachelor of Business (Accounting)
	towards a Business Bachelor's degree at La Trobe.		Bachelor of Accounting
Diploma of Hospitality Management at SuniTAFE * subject to pathway approvals.	Students can study a 12-month course in Hospitality management will get students 8 credits towards a Bachelor of Business degree at La Trobe.	TAFE Pre-Training Review to be conducted.	Bachelor of Business
Advanced Diploma of Hospitality Management at SuniTAFE. *subject to formal pathway approval.	Students who complete an 18- month course in Hospitality management will get students, 12 credits towards a Bachelor of Business degree at La Trobe.	No entry requirements for this course.	Bachelor of Business
Diploma of	12 months to complete, and 8	TAFE Pre-Training	Bachelor of Business
Leadership and Management	subjects towards a Bachelor of Business.	Review to be conducted.	Bachelor of Business (Accounting)

9. Education

University Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Bachelor of Educational Studies	At La Trobe we want all students to follow and obtain their dreams of becoming a teacher. That's why we created a pathway for aspiring	ATAR Range - 62.65- 97.25* VCE Units 3&4: a	Bachelor of Education (Primary) Bachelor of Education
	teachers. This pathway is 12 months completing the first-year subjects which will be added on as credit for the first year of the Bachelor of Education (Primary or Secondary)	study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least a 20 in English other than EAL.	(Secondary)

*Please note the ATAR range is subject to change year on year through each VCE intake.

TAFE Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Diploma of Conservation and Land Management at SuniTAFE	12 months to complete the course and you'll obtain 8 subject credits into the Bachelor of Outdoor Education.	Certificate III or IV in Conservation and Land Management. A Pre-Training Review will also be conducted.	Bachelor of Outdoor Education (Bendigo ONLY)
Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care at SuniTAFE	All students wanting to complete the Bachelor of Early Childhood must hold a Diploma in Early Childhood Education, so this is a mandatory pathway to become a Kindergarten Teacher. This can also be used as a pathway in to teaching (No credit will be given).	Prior learning or employment in Early Education and attendance of one-off information evening. Pre-Training Review will also be conducted. Applicant must hold a valid Working with Children's Check and be 18 years of age.	Bachelor of Early Childhood Education (Online ONLY) Bachelor of Early Childhood and Primary Education (Bendigo ONLY)

10. Health

University Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Bachelor of Biomedical Science	The Bachelor of Biomedical Science is a pathway to many courses in the Health space. Complete the first year of the biomedical course and apply for a transfer to your desired course. Please note, some health courses are highly competitive and have limited places.	ATAR Range - 61.45- 97.15* VCE Units 3&4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least a 25 in English other than EAL.	Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) Bachelor of Science (Pharmaceutical Chemistry)
Diploma of Health Science (Bendigo ONLY)	The Diploma of Health Science is a pathway into many undergraduate programs. 12 months = 6 to 8 credits towards eligible UG courses.	ATAR – N/A VCE Units 3&4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least a 20 in English other than EAL.	Bachelor of Health Science Bachelor of Speech Pathology Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Bachelor of Physiotherapy Bachelor of Exercise Science
Bachelor of Health Science	Complete the first year of the Bachelor of Health Science and start your career in Allied Health.	ATAR Range- 55.05- 96.65* VCE Units 3&4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or at least a 25 in English other than EAL. Units 3&4: a study score of at least 20 in one of Biology, Chemistry, any Mathematics, Physical Education or Physics	Bachelor of Speech Pathology Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Bachelor of Physiotherapy Bachelor of Exercise Science

*Please note the ATAR range is subject to change year on year through each VCE intake.

TAFE Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Diploma of Biosciences at La	The diploma of bioscience is a pathway into the Bachelor of Biomedical Science. The diploma takes 12 months to complete and will provide students with one year	Satisfactory ATAR score.	Bachelor of Biomedical Science
Trobe College (Bundoora ONLY)			Bachelor of Animal Veterinary Biosciences
	towards the biomed degree.		Bachelor of Biomedicine
			Bachelor of Science
			Bachelor of Agricultural Science.
Diploma of Community Services (FREE TAFE)	Complete your diploma in Community Services to start working in the industry and start you Bachelor of Social Work from 2nd year. 8 credits towards our Bachelor of Social Work degree.	Pre-Training Review. Students must be 18 years of age and obtain a Police Clearance Certificate and Working With Childrens Check.	Bachelor of Social Work (Honours)
Diploma of Nursing at SuniTAFE (FREE TAFE)	The two-year diploma of nursing will qualify you with APHRA as an enrolled nurse. To upskill to a registered nurse, you will study for two addition years.	Pre-Training Review including completion of ACER Literacy and Numeracy test, essay writing and a formal interview. Applicants must also hold a Working With Childrens Check.	Bachelor of Nursing (Enrolled Nurse). Students must hold there EN nursing registration to be eligible.

11.IT and Engineering

University Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Diploma of Information Technology at La Trobe College	rmationDiploma of InformationScorehnology at LaTechnology and transition in to the second year of any of the	Satisfactory ATAR Score.	Bachelor of Business Information Systems. Bachelor of Cybersecurity
(Bundoora ONLY)			Bachelor of Information Technology
Diploma of	Complete the diploma of engineering at La Trobe College	Satisfactory ATAR Score.	Bachelor of Civil Engineering
Engineering at La Trobe College (Bundoora ONLY)	and transition into the second year of the bachelor's degree at La Trobe Bundoora.	Score.	Bachelor of Electrical and Electronic Engineering (Honours)
			Bachelor of Engineering Honours (Industrial)

TAFE Pathway Option

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Diploma of Information Technology Networking at SuniTAFE	A local offering to kickstart your IT career. Complete this SuniTAFE Diploma and receive 6 subjects toward the Bundoora or Bendigo degree.	TAFE Pre-training Review.	Bachelor of Information Technology.

12. Science

University Pathway Options

Pathway Course Title	About the course	Entry Requirements	Pathway to
Bachelor of Science	The Bachelor of Science provides students with many avenues of this world. Major in Biochemistry, botany, Chemistry, Data science, Environmental geoscience, genetics, mathematics, microbiology, Physics, Statistics or Zoology in Bundoora or Molecular biology, physics, mathematics or pharmaceutical chemistry at Bendigo.	ATAR Range – 70.00- 96.40* VCE Units 3&4: a study score of at least 25 in English (EAL) or at least a 20 in English other than EAL. Units 3&4: a study score of at least 20 in any Mathematics.	Bachelor of Biomedical Science Bachelor of Animal Veterinary Biosciences Bachelor of Biomedicine Bachelor of Agricultural Science, Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours).
Diploma of Psychology at La Trobe College (Bundoora ONLY)	Complete the diploma of psychology and enter the second year of the Bachelor of Psychological Science	Satisfactory ATAR score.	Bachelor of Psychological Science Bachelor fo Pyschological Science (Honours)

*Please note the ATAR range is subject to change year on year through each VCE intake.

Quick Tip – If students have not completed the required maths or science subjects, we have an option for them to complete the subject through UniLearn. Subjects available to complete are the following:

- Senior Mathematics Successful completion of UniLearn Senior Mathematics with an overall grade of at least 60% satisfies the University's Mathematical Methods pre-requisite.
- Chemistry Successful completion of UniLearn Chemistry with an overall grade of at least 75% satisfies the University's Chemistry pre-requisite.
- Biology Successful completion of Biology with an overall grade of at least 60% satisfies the University's Biology pre-requisite.

For more information on <u>UniLearn</u> please visit their website.

13. Frequently Asked Questions

• What if students don't get an ATAR of 40?

Prepare at La Trobe is a great pathway for students who receive an ATAR below 40. This program is offered and can be completed in time to apply for Semester 1 2021. Every university is different, at La Trobe our policy states that adjustment factors are only applied to a student who has received an ATAR of 40 or higher.

• Am I guaranteed entry into my course after completing a pathway?

No, there is no guarantee that you will be provided an offer into a student's desired course. There are many factors that our admission team look at these include:

- English pre-requisites
- o Course requirements (Eg. Maths pre-req or the CASPer Test)
- Completion of relevant subjects.

• Can I apply for a pathway on VTAC?

Depends on the type of course and pathway students are choosing. Here are a couple of options:

- If students are interested in a La Trobe Alternate Pathway Program, students will not be able to apply through VTAC, they must express interest directly.
- If students are interested in applying for a TAFE pathway, they must apply direct through the SuniTAFE website.
- If students are looking to start an Educational Studies or Health Science course to eventually transfer into their desired course in Education or Speech Pathology, then it is recommended that students include these in their VTAC application.

• Can La Trobe Alternate Pathways be recognised by other universities?

Achieve at La Trobe students will be able to have their completed subject recognised by other universities, but will not provide students entry, only credit for the subject. Students who have completed Prepare at La Trobe will need to continue their studies with La Trobe.

14. Appendix

Appendix 1.1 - Some TAFE courses listed in this document are listed on the FREE TAFE list as they have been marked as a priority course by the Victorian State Government.

- Diploma of Accounting.
- Advanced Diploma of Accounting.
- Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care
- Diploma of Community Services
- Diploma of Nursing

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