

Senior Secondary Pathways Reform

What you need to know about changes to Victoria's senior secondary school certificates

The Victorian Government is reforming senior secondary schooling to build the aspirations and skills of young people, set them up for future careers, and meet the needs of the modern economy. Victoria is moving towards a new integrated senior secondary certificate that will bring together our two senior secondary certificates, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) and the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL).

Current system

2022



Final year of VCAL enrolments

Why change?



Provide students with **greater choice, confidence and skills** for their future career.

What's changing?

2023



The **VCE Vocational Major** is a two-year applied learning program within the **VCE** that will support students to develop academic and practical skills, knowledge, confidence and agency needed to prepare for the world of work and further education and training.



The **Victorian Pathways Certificate** is designed for a limited cohort of students in Years 11 and 12 who are not ready to undertake the VCE or the VCE Vocational Major for various reasons. Students and their families should discuss suitability for enrolment in the Victorian Pathways Certificate with their school.



Align more closely with Victoria's growth sectors and **what local industry needs**.



Recognise and celebrate **all learning pathways equally**.

The reforms give students greater choice and options with their senior secondary schooling, allowing them to pursue an education aligned to their strengths, interests and aspirations.

More information

Contact your school or career adviser to find out more about the senior secondary pathway options or visit bit.ly/senior-sec-pathways