WHY CHOSE A VET COURSE?

VET (Vocational Educational Training) courses are dual-accredited courses designed to combine HSC studies with training and experience in trade skills in the workplace. This means the courses are endorsed by both the NSW Educational Standard Authority (NESA) and by Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA). Students gain work related skills or can pursue further study at TAFE or university at the completion of their schooling. These courses are competency based and may be the first stage of an apprenticeship or traineeship.

There are many reasons to consider VET Courses:

- Experience of the workplace, employer expectations and contact with key employers
- Provide focus and skills for career planning
- Receive recognition from both Industry and NESA
- Acquire skills and competencies that are recognised all over Australia through the ASQA Frameworks
- Develop key industry skills as well as employability skills in taking initiative, problem solving and communication as well as working independently and in teams
- Begin preparation for a career in a chosen area while completing the Higher School Certificate
- Gain recognition for industry courses successfully completed at school when applying for study at TAFE
- Acquire general skills, which can be used in a wide range of employment and higher education settings

At Hunter Christian School in our state of the art Trade Training Centre, we are pleased to offer the following courses:

- Metal and Engineering (ATAR Course)
- Construction (ATAR Course)
- Sport and Recreation (BEC)
- Active Volunteering (BEC)
- Electro Technologies (ATAR Course)
- Retail services (ATAR Course)
As well as offering courses on our Mayfield Campus, we can enrol our students into other courses offered by our partnering AIS schools in the Greater Hunter Region. For more information regarding these options, please contact the Director of Studies and/or VET coordinator for further information on these. (Contact information is located on the last page of this booklet)

**Assessment Information**

All VET courses are competency-based courses and the students are assessed against prescribed performance criteria. Students are assessed as either ‘competent’ or ‘not yet competent’ under each framework.

**HSC and ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank)**

VET subjects contribute to the Higher School Certificate, most of them counting as 2 units in Year 11 and 2 units in Year 12.

VET courses including Industry Framework Courses are able to contribute to your Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) and Board Endorsed Courses (BEC) do not contribute to an ATAR.

All students at taking part in VET Courses are interviewed by the Director of Studies to ensure that their pattern of study fulfils the students’ needs and is aligned with future goals and plans.

**WORK PLACEMENT**

Each VET course includes a MANDATORY component of work placement during which a student visits a workplace that is linked to the course being studied. This on-the-job training is an essential part of each course. If students do not complete this requirement, the course will remain incomplete.
METAL AND ENGINEERING (ATAR COURSE)

MEM 10105 - Certificate I in Engineering

This is an excellent course for students wishing to enter the manufacturing and engineering trades or engineering careers at professional and para-professional levels. In this course students develop a broad range of skills and knowledge appropriate to employment in a wide range of roles within engineering and related industries. The course develops core competencies in workplace communication, work health and safety, task planning and quality control.

Workshop activities include use of hand and power tools, electric arc welding, 3D printing operation, light fabrication and thermal forming and cutting. Students can choose additional elective units from a wide range of options.

This course can start you on your way to a career in the following roles:

- Engineering draftsperson
- Engineer (automotive, fabrication, production, plastic, marine, mechanical)
- Robotics specialist
- Refrigeration and air conditioning mechanic
- Structural steel and welding supervisor
- Fitter
- Locksmith
- Machinist
- Plumber
- Jeweller
- Toolmaker

Course materials and tuition fees include:

- Basic work, health and safety equipment
- Resources books and materials
- Work Health and Safety Construction Induction (white card)

Course Description

Course Hours 240 hours
Course Type AQF framework
Duration 2 Years
Qualification Certificate I in Engineering (MEM 10105)
Work placement Minimum 70 hours (mandatory)
CONSTRUCTION  (ATAR COURSE)

CPC 20211 - Certificate II in Construction Pathways

This is an excellent course for students wishing to enter the manufacturing and engineering trades or engineering careers at professional and para-professional levels. The course counts towards an ATAR for the Higher School Certificate.

The course develops core competencies in workplace communication, work health and safety, task planning and quality control. This course incorporates core units plus a range of electives units from the General Construction Sector.

Working in Construction involves activities which include the use of hand and power tools, handling materials, surveying, interpreting plans and completion of ‘real-life’ practical project.

This course can start you on your way to a career in the following roles:

- Carpentry
- Bricklaying
- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Steel fixing
- Solid plastering
- Concreting
- Wall and floor tiling
- Joinery
- Roof tiling
- Demolition

Course materials and tuition fees include:

- Basic work, health and safety equipment
- Resources books and materials
- Work Health and Safety Construction Induction (white card)

Course Description

Course Hours  240 hours
Course Type  AQF framework
Duration  2 Years
Qualification  Certificate II in Construction Pathways (CPC 20211)
Work placement  Minimum 70 hours (mandatory)
SPORT AND RECREATION (BEC COURSE)

A statement of Attainment towards Certificate II in SIS20115 – Certificate II in Sport and Recreation

This qualification allows students to develop basic functional knowledge and skills for work in customer contact positions in the sport or community recreation industry. Students will undertake a range of administrative activities and functions within a team and under supervision and they will be involved in mainly routine and repetitive tasks using practical skills and basic sport and recreation industry knowledge.

In this course students develop a broad range of skills and knowledge appropriate to employment in a wide range of roles within a sport and recreation centre or facilities and leisure and aquatic centres. The course develops core competencies in workplace communication, work health and safety, task planning and quality control, first aid, managing practical sessions and maintaining equipment.

Course Activities include organising and complete work activities, provide first aid, workplace health and safety, assist in activity session, respond to emergency situation and maintain sport, fitness and recreation equipment.

This course can start you on your way to a career in the following roles:
- Community activities assistant
- Customer service assistant
- Leisure assistant
- Recreation assistant
- Retail assistant
- Grounds assistant
- Facility assistant

Course materials and tuition fees include:
- Basic work, health and safety equipment
- Resources books and materials

Course Description
- Course Hours: 180 hours
- Course Type: BEC
- Duration: 2 Years
- Qualification: Statement of attainment to SIS 20115 Certificate II in Sport and Recreation
- Work placement: Minimum 70 hours (mandatory)

NOTE: This Course is a Board Endorsed Course (BEC) and will not contribute to an ATAR.
ACTIVE VOLUNTEERING (BEC COURSE)

CHC14015 - Certificate I in Active Volunteering
CHC Community Services Training Package release 2.0

This is an excellent course for students wishing to expand their knowledge of volunteer organisations and the skill set often required of a volunteer. This qualification provides foundation skills of being an effective volunteer including; organising own work routine efficiently and performing a sequence of routine tasks, following clear directions, including receiving and passing on messages and information, understanding and following the organisation’s occupational health, safety and welfare procedures and engaging in safe work practices and interacting appropriately with clients.

This qualification may be used as a pathway for workforce entry. Organisations may require volunteers to undergo relevant background checks. After achieving this qualification, individuals may progress to a wide range of other qualifications in the volunteering and broader service industries. Further training can involve an apprenticeship, traineeship or further studies at TAFE or University.

Course Activities include use of word processing skills, understanding and creation of WHS risk assessments, general first aid, completion of Rural Fire cadetship, understanding of legal ramifications linked to volunteering.

This course can start you on your way to a career in the following roles:
- Teachers Aid
- Library Assistant
- Event Organiser
- Support Manager
- Involvement in Sporting events
- Involvement in Cultural events
- Social Services Support
- Disability Services
- Various Interest based Careers
- Support of Elderly and other groups within society

Course materials and tuition fees include:
- First Aid certificate (completed in prior learning, Year 9)
- Rural fire Cadetship
- Resources books and materials

Course Description
Course Hours 100 hours
Course Type AQF framework
Duration 1 Years
Qualification Certificate I in Active Volunteering (CHC 14015)
Work placement Minimum 20 hours (mandatory)
ELECTRO TECHNOLOGIES (ATAR COURSE)

UEE22011 - Certificate II in Electro technologies (Career START)

This is an excellent course for students wishing to enter the manufacturing and engineering trades or engineering careers at professional and para-professional levels. The course counts towards an ATAR for the Higher School Certificate and attracts TAFE and university recognition. In this course students develop a broad range of skills and knowledge appropriate to employment in a wide range of roles within engineering and related industries. The course develops core competencies in workplace communication, work health and safety, task planning and quality control.

Course Activities include use of hand and power tools, electric arc welding, 3D printing operation, light fabrication and thermal forming and cutting. Students can choose additional elective units from a wide range of options. This course can start you on your way to a career in the following roles:

Electrician
Electrical Fitter
Electrical Mechanic
Electronic Technician
Communications Technician
Telecommunications Technician
Computer Systems Technician
Information Technology Technician
Instrumentation Technician
Data and Voice Technician
Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic

Course materials and tuition fees include:

- Basic work, health and safety equipment
- Resources books and materials
- Work Health and Safety Construction Induction (white card)

Course Description
Course Hours 240 hours
Course Type AQF framework
Duration 2 Years
Qualification Certificate II in Electrotechnologies (UEE 22011)

Work placement Minimum 70 hours (mandatory)
RETAIL (ATAR COURSE)
SIR 30216 - Certificate III in Retail

This course provides the skills and knowledge for an individual to be competent in a range of activities and functions requiring basic retail operational knowledge and limited practical skill. Work would be undertaken in various retail store settings, such as specialty retailers, supermarkets, department stores and quick service restaurants.

In this course students develop a broad range of skills and knowledge appropriate to employment in a wide range of roles within retail trades. The course develops core competencies in workplace communication, work health and safety, sales and security. As well as studying different types of roles such as frontline sales assistant, customer service representative, shop assistant, retail supervisor.

Course Activities include Work, Health and Safety, setting window displays, customer relations, working POS machines and working in teams

This course can start you on your way to a career in the following roles:
- Frontline Sales assistant
- Customer service representative
- Shop assistant
- Senior sales assistant
- Team Leader
- Retail supervisor

Course materials and tuition fees include:
- Learning Booklets
- Specialised Training Equipment

Course Description
Course Hours 240 hours
Course Type AQF framework
Duration 2 Years
Qualification Certificate III in Retail (SIR 30216)
Work placement Minimum 70 hours (mandatory)
Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

Students may have their current knowledge, skills and experience relevant to the units of competency within the course recognised, provided they can produce current, quality evidence of their competency.

Complaints and Appeals

Our school has appropriate mechanisms and services for students to have complaints and appeals addressed efficiently and effectively. If you have concerns about aspects of the course, such as resources, facilities, another person, an assessment task or result, you have the right to raise your concerns with the school.

Students with special education needs

To develop skills and knowledge to industry standards, students with special education needs may require reasonable adjustments to be made for them. These adjustments could also apply in the workplace. However, minimal adjustment can be considered to benchmarks within the frameworks.

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