 **VCE/VET EQUINE**

* You can study this VCE subject while at your current school and complete this extra study at Bellarine Secondary College.
* Contributes as a VCE unit 3 and 4 sequence, as one of your four main subjects and contributes to your study score.
* Contributes credits to your VCAL

studies

* Students will be supported with bussing transport arrangements to theory and practical classes.
* To be considered for enrolment, you must be in at least Year 10. See the VET Coordinator at your school for further information.

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**CERTIFICATE III**

**in**

**EQUINE STUDIES**

**VET IN SCHOOLS PROGRAM**

***AUSPICED BY***

RTOID: 4687C

**Certificate III in Equine Studies**

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| **National Code:** | **22513VIC** |
| **Location:** | **Bellarine Secondary****College** |
| **Study Area:** | **VET in Schools****Program (VCE)** |
| **Study Area:** | **Equine Industry** |

**What does this course involve?**

The Certificate III in Equine Studies is designed to prepare secondary school students for employment in equine or related animal industries. This course comprises of a combination of theory classes at Bellarine SC and practical training, structured workplace and presentations by guest speakers from industry at an accredited Equestrian Centre. This course teaches routine horse husbandry to achieve optimum horse health and performance. Students will participate in horse riding, develop skills to prepare a horse for competition, learn how to identify desirable and poor conformation in horses, lameness and how it may affect gait and performance. Students will also learn how to implement feeding programs, monitor the quality of feed and recognise individual feeding habits of horses.

**Units of Competency**

*Unit 1 & 2 Core and electives*(\*)

ACMEQU202 Handle horses safely

ACMEQU205 Apply knowledge of horse behaviour

VU22681 Work effectively in an Equine organisation

VU22685 Identify Equine Anatomy

ACMEQU201\* Work safely in industries with horses

VU22687\* Demonstrate basic horse riding and driving skills

VU22688\* Assist in the preparation of a horse for an event

HTLAID003\* Provide first aid

*Unit 3 & 4 Core*

VU22682 Implement horse health and welfare practices

VU22683 Implement and monitor horse feeding programs

VU22684 Relate equine form to function

VU22686 Identify and describe equine physiology

**Accreditation:**

* You will receive a nationally recognised certificate.
* You can undertake this course as part of your **VCE and receive a study score**. You will need to take an external exam and complete your coursework.

**What employment**

**opportunities will I have?**

This course may provide you with employment opportunities as an animal attendant, stable or stud hand, horse breeder, mounted police, veterinary nurse or coach. You may also find employment opportunities in racing or retail.

**What further study options will**

**I have?**

You may wish to progress into the Certificate III in Agriculture (Horse Breeding) or Diploma level equine courses. You can also study animal welfare, coaching and racing certificates.

**Recognition**

* The Certificate III in Equine Studies is a VETiS course. Secondary school students may receive credit towards satisfactory completion of their VCAL or a score towards their VCE. Assessments for both VCE and VCAL are based on Practical Competence and Theoretical Knowledge.

• The VCE/VCAL component is delivered under Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA).