

VCE VET HORTICULTURE



The VCE VET Horticulture program provides students with the knowledge and skills that will enhance their employment prospects in the horticulture or horticulture related industries. There are eight Certificate II qualifications available in the VCE VET Horticulture program.

What qualification will I receive?

If you satisfactorily complete the VCE VET Horticulture program, you will receive either the RTF20103 Certificate II in Horticulture, RTF20203 Certificate II in Horticulture (Aboriculture), RTF20303 Certificate II in Horticulture (Floriculture), RTF20403 Certificate II in Horticulture (Landscape), RTF20503 Certificate II in Horticulture (Retail Nursery), RTF20603 Certificate II in Horticulture (Wholesale Nursery), RTF20703 Certificate II in Horticulture (Parks and Gardens) or RTF20803 Certificate II in Horticulture (Turf). These nationally recognised qualifications are issued by the Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

What will I learn?

The VCE VET Unit 1-2 core units of competence include occupational health and safety, observing environmental work practices, applying chemicals under supervision and units from the chosen sector.

The VCE VET Unit 3-4 sequence incorporates units from general horticultural procedures, activities or contexts or sector specific qualifications.

What credit will I receive towards my VCE or VCAL?

VCE

You will be eligible for credit of up to five VCE VET units towards their VCE: three units at Unit 1-2 level and a Unit 3-4 sequence.

VCAL

The VCE VET Horticulture program (either partial or full completion) may contribute at the Foundation, Intermediate or Senior levels.

What career and/or employment opportunities will I have?

The VCE VET Horticulture program provides pathways into a number of industry sectors that may include the following characteristics:

- Aboriculture: maintenance and management of trees in private and public gardens, removal and transplanting of large trees, provision of advice on tree planting and maintenance.
- Floriculture: growing and harvesting of commercial flowers, flower seed and foliage, post harvest treatments and production of plant products.
- Landscape: construction and maintenance of domestic and commercial landscapes, design of gardens and commercial landscapes, rehabilitation and maintenance of urban bushland.
- Nursery: propagation, production and maintenance of plants for sale and/or hire, wholesaling and retailing of plants and associated products, provision of advice on plant selection and garden design.
- Parks and gardens: management and maintenance of public and private parks, reserves, gardens, natural bushland and community recreation areas, provision of advice for plant selection and use in commercial and domestic situations.
- Turf: establishment and maintenance of commercial and recreational turf, design and preparation of sports turf playing surfaces, commercial growing and supply of turf.

