WHERE CAN VU TAKE YOU IN BEAUTY & DERMAL SCIENCE?

**CAREER**

**BEAUTY THERAPY**

Gain the skills to provide advice to clients to improve their skin condition and perform a range of treatments. You’ll learn how to provide facials, massage, manicures, pedicures, lash and brow treatments and make-up application.

**DERMAL SCIENCE**

Work independently or collaboratively within plastic surgery, dermatology or cosmetic physician practices. Perform minimally invasive, cosmetic and medical procedures to treat a range of conditions such as skin disorders, sun damage, scarring, fluid retention, skin laxity, superficial vascular disorders and tattoo removal.

**MAKE-UP & HAIRDRESSING**

Use your great communication and design skills to pursue a career in make-up or hairdressing. You could provide beauty and grooming services to members of the public, models, actors, singers and other public figures.

**ORGANISATIONS YOU MAY WORK IN**

- Spa and beauty salons, nail salons and department stores.
- Dermal therapy clinics, medical practices, advanced beauty and cosmetic settings.
- Television and film studios, bridal events, hair salons, spa and beauty salons and department stores.

**POTENTIAL JOB TITLES**

- Beauty Therapist; Nail Technician; Beauty Educator; Health Spa, Salon or Resort Manager; Beauty Equipment Sales.
- Dermal Therapist; Dermal Clinician.
- Make-up Artist; Make-Up/Hair Designer; Special Make-Up Effects; Hairdresser.

*2018 Graduate Outcomes Survey.*
Are you detail-oriented and hands on? Make a difference in people’s lives with a career in the beauty, dermal science, hair and spa industries.

Gain experience in your field, working with industry-level equipment and in real client-facing clinics and salons. You will have access to our strong relationships within the medical, fashion, entertainment and creative arts industries, giving you incredible work experiences.

Study at VU and discover why we have the second highest earning graduates in Victoria within three years of graduation. Our beauty and dermal science graduates have gone on to work in plastic and reconstructive surgery clinics, television, theatre and film and are regularly employed in some of Australia’s finest spas and salons.

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**COURSE**

**BEAUTY**
- Diploma of Beauty Therapy [vu.edu.au/courses/SHB50115](vu.edu.au/courses/SHB50115)

**DERMAL SCIENCE**
- Bachelor of Dermal Sciences [vu.edu.au/courses/HBDS](vu.edu.au/courses/HBDS)

**MAKE-UP & HAIRDRESSING**
- Certificate III Hairdressing [vu.edu.au/courses/SHB30416](vu.edu.au/courses/SHB30416)
- Certificate III in Make-Up [vu.edu.au/courses/SHB30215](vu.edu.au/courses/SHB30215)
- Diploma of Screen and Media (Specialist Make-Up Services) [vu.edu.au/courses/CUA51015](vu.edu.au/courses/CUA51015)

**TO BECOME A DERMAL CLINICIAN**

To become qualified as a dermal therapist or clinician, you will need to complete our Bachelor of Dermal Sciences. On completion of the bachelor, you will be eligible for membership to the Australian Society of Dermal Clinicians – an exclusive organisation representing dermal clinicians nationally and internationally.

You can either apply to study the four-year bachelor degree directly or pathway from our Diploma of Beauty Therapy. Successful completion of the one-year diploma provides you with guaranteed entry straight into the second year of the degree. Our Bachelor of Dermal Sciences is the world’s first and longest-running degree-level dermal therapies course offered by an English-speaking university.
All our courses are designed to fully prepare you for work, and taught by industry-connected teachers who are experts in the field. Hands-on learning and industry-sourced projects will shape you into a stand-out graduate.

**DERMAL CLINIC**

As a dermal science student, you will provide the same treatments to real clients that would be performed by qualified dermal (skin) clinicians in private dermatology, plastic surgery and cosmetic surgery practices. Our clinic uses the highest quality medical grade equipment in a best-practice environment under the supervision of qualified dermal clinicians. The clinic is located at our City King and Flinders Lane Campuses.

**HAIRDRESSING AND BEAUTY SALON**

Gain hands-on experience treating the public at VU’s Beauty Day Spa & Salon and Hair Salon. Under the supervision of beauty professionals, you’ll offer beauty therapy services like waxing, manicures, electrolysis, spa therapy, hair cuts, colour and more.
“I learnt to identify, evaluate, and manage the physical, psychological, and social needs of my clients.”

“To understand the scope of my practice and know what I can and can’t treat. Completing this course also allowed me to build strong relationships with medical professionals within the industry to whom I can refer my clients when required.

While at VU, I received the Outstanding First Year Student award, and since then I’ve been appointed president of the Australian Society of Dermal Clinicians. The amazing lecturers and mentors I had during my time at VU played, and continue to play, a big part in my achievements.”

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Bachelor of Dermal Sciences
AT VU WE KNOW THERE’S MORE THAN ONE WAY TO SUCCEED AT LEARNING, SO WE PROVIDE MULTIPLE WAYS TO ACHIEVE A WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION AND EXCITING CAREER.

We are one of only six universities in Australia to offer both TAFE and university courses, meaning you can choose the level of study that best suits you.

Our courses are designed with close industry consultation, and you'll have opportunities for engaging work placements and internships to give you a head start in your future workplace. But above all, the VU Way is about what you bring to the University: joining our rich and diverse community will reward you with unique experiences in the classroom and beyond.

VU BLOCK MODEL

In 2018 VU was the first Australian university to introduce the VU Block Model. This new approach to learning is focused on making your transition into university easier, your chances of study success greater, and giving you the skills to succeed when you enter the workforce.
VU’S BLOCK MODEL MEANS

1. YOU’LL SETTLE INTO UNI FASTER
Complete one subject every four weeks (including all assessments) and build confidence in your studies from day one.

2. YOU’LL FEEL SUPPORTED
Learn in smaller classes and have more one-on-one time with your teachers.

3. YOU’LL FEEL LESS STRESSED
You’ll only have to focus on one unit at a time. At other universities, you will be expected to complete multiple units at once.

GET FUTURE FOCUSED WITH BLENDED LEARNING

Study at Victoria University Polytechnic, VU’s TAFE division, and you’ll learn with our multi-award winning Blended Learning model. Blended Learning is flexible, industry-based and focused on preparing you for the modern workplace. It replaces paper-based theory tuition with a combination of user-friendly online learning and face-to-face workshops. Online components mean you can learn anytime, anywhere – and then you’ll refine your skills through practical learning and on-the-job work placements.

PATHWAYS
Course ‘pathways’ offer an easy transition between courses at different levels, so that you can start with a certificate and progress right through to postgraduate study – in many cases gaining credits along the way. Students starting in Higher Education degrees can also add to their portfolio of skills with practical, hands-on training through our TAFE programs.

Find out more at vu.edu.au/pathways