The School delivers a wide range of vocational programs from the Health and Community Services sectors that have strong connections with industry and also have pathways into degree programs.

The majority of our graduates gain employment by the end of their studies, or continue their studies at degree level.
COURSES AVAILABLE

• Aged Care / Home & Community Care
• Allied Health
• Children’s Services
• Community Services Work
• Disability
• Nursing
• Youth Work
CAMPUSES

Our courses are offered at a range of different campuses

These include:
- Footscray Nicholson
- Footscray Park
- Werribee
- St Albans
- Melton
- City Flinders
WORK PLACEMENTS

• All units of study are assessed in class and/or in the workplace.

• All placements are organised by the relevant Program area based on existing agreements/relationships with agencies.

• Take place in a range of Health and Community Services settings dependant on the course requirements.

• Students must be prepared to travel to a range of settings in Melbourne & surrounding suburbs for Placement.

• On placement, students work a full shift alongside staff in the service. Many services operate with staff working a variety of shifts.
WORKING WITH CHILDREN’S CHECKS AND POLICE CHECKS

• A Working with Children Check is required for all courses that require working with Children. There is no cost if this is used for voluntary or placements

• A Police Check is required for all work placements
  This will cost students approximately $15.50

• An inability to gain a satisfactory Police Check or Working with Children’s Check may prevent a student from completing course requirements and therefore gaining employment in the relevant industry
LEARNING AND ASSESSMENT

Students are assessed in a range of different ways. These include:

• Assignments – case studies, essays, reports.
• Presentations in Class
• Attendance and participation in a range of class activities
• Written and Practical tests
• Projects related to work-based learning
• Simulation and role plays
AGED CARE / HOME & COMMUNITY CARE

CERTIFICATE III IN AGED CARE CHC30208
This qualification is for students wishing to work with aged people in the community. This could be in residential care or community care settings. This course will train and qualify people to carry out activities to maintain personal care and/or other activities of living for people in an aged care setting.
1 semester (3 days per week)

CERTIFICATE III IN HOME & COMMUNITY CARE CHC30308
This course is designed for those who wish to work in client's homes or community settings. The course will prepare students to work with clients who have complex needs, work with other health professionals and supervise or co ordinate limited number of other workers.
Co-delivered with Aged Care
**ALLIED HEALTH**

**Certificate III in Health Administration** HLT32907
This course prepares graduates to be competent in completing a range of administrative duties relevant to the Health sector.

**Certificate IV in Health Supervision** HLT40407
Graduates work as a supervisor or senior workplace trainer within a health care facility.

**Certificate III in Health Services Assistance** HLT32507
Graduates work as an assistant to professional health staff in caring for patients under supervision. A range of duties involve transporting patients, following basic food safety practice, infection control and an understanding of basic medical terminology.

**Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance** HLT32407
Working as an Allied Health assistant will include assisting with therapy sessions, and providing relevant information to clients.

These courses are delivered flexibly both on and off campus. Many courses are delivered as part of the Allied Health VETiS program.
CHILDREN’S SERVICES

Certificate III in Children's Services CHC30708
Minimum qualification to work in the sector
Pre-requisite to study the Diploma
1 semester (full time)

Diploma of Children's Services (Early Childhood Education and Care) CHC50908
Graduates work as a qualified staff member in charge of a group of children
3 semesters (full time)
Pre-requisite to study the Advanced Diploma
Pathway opportunity to B Ed (Early Childhood/Primary)

Advanced Diploma of Children's Services CHC60208
Designed for Diploma graduates wishing to move in management roles in Children's Services
2 semesters / online delivery
COMMUNITY SERVICES WORK

CERTIFICATE III IN COMMUNITY SERVICES WORK  CHC30108
Graduates work in support roles in agencies within the sector
1 semester (full time)

CERTIFICATE IV IN COMMUNITY SERVICES WORK  CHC40708
On completion the worker will be able to design and deliver programs that aim to enhance the well being of individuals and groups.
1 semester (full time)
Pathway opportunity to Diploma

DIPLOMA OF COMMUNITY SERVICES WORK  CHC50608
Graduates work in a variety of community based settings delivering services, providing programs and managing projects
4 semesters (full time)
Pathway opportunity to B Social Work / B Arts (Community Development)
DISABILITY

CERTIFICATE III IN EDUCATION SUPPORT CHC30808
Graduates work in support roles with children in school settings as integration workers, teachers aides
1 semester (full time); 2 semesters (part time)

CERTIFICATE IV IN DISABILITY CHC40308
This course will develop skills and knowledge to provide training and support to people with disabilities to enhance their ability to achieve greater levels of independence and community participation.
9 months (full time)
Pathway opportunity to Advanced Diploma

ADVANCED DIPLOMA OF DISABILITY CHC60108
This course is designed for staff working in the Disability Sector and wish to move into management roles
4 semesters (part time)
NURSING

DIPLOMA OF NURSING HLT51607 (ENROLLED / DIVISION 2 NURSING)

Full-Time over 3 Semesters (18 Months) Or Part-Time over 2 years.

- Students could find work in a variety of fields from public or private hospitals to private nursing or community health care facilities.
- You will gain hands-on learning experience in our ward simulation labs as well as clinical experience through course placements.

Our graduates find work in non-traditional areas such as:

- emergency
- maternal and child health
- community nursing

PATHWAYS available to:
- Bachelor of Nursing (may get up to one year credit)
- Bachelor of Midwifery (may get up to three units of credit)
YOUTH WORK

CERTIFICATE IV IN YOUTH WORK CHC41808
2 semesters (full time)
Pre-requisite to study the Diploma

DIPLOMA OF YOUTH WORK CHC51408
2 semesters (full time)
Pathway opportunity to B Arts (Youth Studies)

Participants will gain a strong theoretical knowledge bases and specialised skills to be able to work with young people in a range of community settings. Students will develop skills required to facilitate programs for young people through a range of community based programs designed to address the social, behavioural, health, welfare, developmental and protection needs of young people. Students will also gain specialised skills required to work with young people.
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