



## VET in the new SACE

### What is VET?

Vocational Education and Training (VET) is education and training that gives students skills, knowledge and qualifications for the workplace. VET operates through a national training system, and is delivered, assessed and certified by Registered Training Organisations such as TAFE or private training institutions. VET courses are available to students at Trinity Senior College as part of SACE Stage 1 (Year 11) and Stage 2 (Year 12). Details of these VET courses can be viewed on the Trinity College website [www.trinity.sa.edu.au](http://www.trinity.sa.edu.au).

The SACE Board recognizes VET which is:

- Listed on the National Training Information Service (NTIS) website
- Delivered and assessed by, or under the auspices of, a registered training organisation (RTO)
- Delivered and assessed in accordance with the Australian Quality Training Framework (AQTF) standards and training requirements
- Certified on a transcript, statement of attainment, or certificate of qualification certified by a RTO

### How does VET contribute to the new SACE?

From 2011, the new SACE enables students to include more VET within the SACE. Students can now use VET for up to 180 credits towards the SACE at Stage 1 and Stage 2. A limited number of VET courses can contribute towards the compulsory literacy and numeracy subjects. The remaining 20 SACE credits are gained through the compulsory PLP and the Research Project.

### How do students get VET Credit?

Students can gain SACE credit for VET qualifications (Certificates) or for individual VET units of competency that make up a qualification.

There are nominal training hours attached to each VET qualification. Students can gain:

- 10 VET credits for every 70 nominal hours of VET completed from within a qualification
- 5 VET credits for every 35 nominal hours of VET completed from within a qualification

### How many VET qualifications (certificates) can be credited towards the new SACE?

Students can use a maximum of two Certificate 1 qualifications towards the SACE. SACE credits from Certificate 1. This can vary from between 10 – 45 credits depending on the industry certificate. The number of SACE credits for Certificate 1 is specified on the SACE VET Register found on the SACE website [www.sace.sa.edu.au](http://www.sace.sa.edu.au).

There is no limit to the number of Certificate 2 and higher qualifications that students can use for credit towards the SACE, although most VET certificates take between 6 months and 2 years to complete

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## What about VET credits towards SACE subjects?

Specified VET qualifications at Certificate 2 and 3 can contribute to Stage 1 and the compulsory Stage 2 subjects. VET qualifications that gain credit towards Stage 1 and Stage 2 subjects are identified on the SACE VET Register found on the SACE website [www.sace.sa.edu.au](http://www.sace.sa.edu.au).

Students can also gain credit for VET related study for the SACE within the subject Workplace Practices which is offered at Stage 1 and Stage 2 at Trinity College Senior.

## VET and TAFE entry

TAFE SA recognises the SACE as meeting the entry requirements for most of its courses. It also considers a variety of other qualifications and experiences in calculating the MER (Minimum Entry Requirement) in the selection processes. VET qualifications, particularly Certificate II and higher level Certificates, can be used towards the TAFE MER in the majority of courses.

Details of TAFE entry requirements for 2012 onwards is included in the Tertiary Entrance Booklet 2011, 2012, 2013, published by the South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre and are issued to ALL Year 10 and Year 12 students.

This document can be downloaded from [www.tafe.sa.edu.au](http://www.tafe.sa.edu.au) and [www.satac.edu.au](http://www.satac.edu.au)

## VET at Trinity College Senior

Trinity College Senior offers a broad range of VET courses accessed through TAFE SA and through private training institutions. These external courses are subject to availability.

The Trinity College Trade Training Centre offers VET training in metal engineering on-site in a state of the art training facility. This course would suit students interested in future careers in the metal engineering industry where there are current skills shortages.

Students and parents are also encouraged to visit the Trinity College Senior website [www.trinity.sa.edu.au](http://www.trinity.sa.edu.au) to gain more information about VET and courses on offer in 2012

## Further Information

Visit the SACE Board website at [www.sace.sa.edu.au](http://www.sace.sa.edu.au) for more information about VET in the SACE.



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## Contact Details

For more information about VET at Trinity College Senior, please contact the Pathways Coordinator on 8523 8703 or visit: [www.trinity.sa.edu.au/curriculum/index.htm](http://www.trinity.sa.edu.au/curriculum/index.htm)

## Further Information

More information about SACE may be obtained from the SACE Board of South Australia webpage at: [www.sace.sa.edu.au](http://www.sace.sa.edu.au)