VCE Higher Education Studies - Frequently Asked Questions

Are there any other units offered via the program?

For 2016, one Advanced Standing Study is offered – Criminology – and two Extension Studies – Health Practice and Research (an extension of VCE Health and Human Development) and Psychological Science (an extension of VCE Psychology). Deakin will review this for 2017 and may introduce new units in the future. Please return to this page for updates.

Will my marks for units studied at Deakin University count towards my VCE?

Your results at Deakin contribute to your ATAR as a fifth or sixth study, but only if you complete the two units successfully.

Do I have to include my Semester 1 and 2 reports to apply for this program?

No – we ask you tell us in Section 4 about your Education History, and then your School will be required to attach a copy of your details from the VASS system.

What if I have not undertaken the VCE units 1 and 2, can I still apply for this program?

For the VCE Extension Studies in health and psychology, yes you can still apply if you have not undertaken the VCE units 1 and 2. You will need to be concurrently studying units 3 and 4 or have completed these.

For the criminology Advanced Standing Study, there are no requirements for particular VCE units; the study is open to all VCE students.

In regards to Section 3, can we choose to study both Trimesters or a single Trimester only?

Yes, you can choose to do two units of study or just one. Please note if you only complete one unit then you will not be eligible for an increment for your ATAR.

If I choose to undertake one unit of study, will this count towards my VCE?

No, you will not be awarded credit when you only complete one of the two units of study. You will still be able to apply for 'credit for prior learning' for the unit of study, once you receive an offer from a University (the outcome of your application will depend on your course structure and unit equivalency). For those students applying to Deakin, if you are made an offer you are very likely to receive credit for your VCE Higher Education Studies towards your Deakin degree.

Once I complete the units, how do I get an Academic transcript from Deakin?

You will just need to contact Customer Service, and you will be able to request a transcript: (03) 9244 6333, (03) 5227 2333 or (03) 5563 3333. Please note this attracts a cost.

Will I be required to pay any fees as part of this program?

You will not be required to pay any tuition fees as part of this program. The only cost you may incur is if you need a text book for either unit of study. Generally materials are provided online via CloudDeakin, so you can access lectures, readings and other materials via the web.

Can I speak to a course adviser about what is involved with studying these units with Deakin?

For the Extension Studies in health and psychology, contact the Faculty of Health on 9251 7777 or health-equiure@deakin.edu.au

For the Advanced Standing Study in Criminology, contact the Faculty of Arts and Education on 9246 8100, 5227 1359 or 5563 3489 or artsedstudentsupport@deakin.edu.au