

Certificate II in Horticulture

Course code: AHC20416

The Certificate II in Horticulture provides students with the skills to meet the needs of the various sectors within the horticultural industry. The essential units are designed to develop students' workplace skills which are highly valued by employers. These include health and safety, and environmentally sustainable work practices.

On successful completion of a VETiS course, students are guaranteed a place in a Swinburne Vocational Education program (subject to entry requirements for the course they wish to undertake are met).

Location and times

Wantirna campus
Wednesday 8.30am–3.30pm

Mode of delivery

Classroom/simulated nursery

Duration

Two years part-time

Outcomes

On successful completion of this program, students will:

- VCE: be eligible for two or more units at Units 1 and 2 level and a Units 3 and 4 sequence. This program does not offer scored assessment.
Students who receive a Units 3 and 4 sequence will be eligible for an increment towards their ATAR (10% of the average of the primary four scaled studies).
- VCAL: meet the requirements for the Industry Specific Skills strand and may also contribute to the Work Related Skills Strand of VCAL.
- Qualification: be eligible for a nationally recognised qualification: AHC20116 Certificate II in Horticulture.

Personal protective equipment

Students are required to wear leather work boots. No singlet tops.

Structured Workplace Learning

Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) is not required but is strongly recommended by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/

VCAA recommends that students undertake a minimum of 40 hours of SWL for each year of the program. The finding and management of SWL is the responsibility of the school.

Complementary studies

Biology

Pathway opportunities

- Certificate III in Horticulture
- Certificate III in Conservation and Land Management
- Certificate III in Landscape Construction
- Certificate III in Production Nursery
- Certificate III in Parks and Gardens
- Certificate III in Retail Nursery
- Diploma in Horticulture

Fees and application

Contact the Secondary School VET Coordinator or Careers Practitioner.

Career opportunities

- Horticulturist
- Landscaping
- Parks and gardens
- Plant propagation and breeding
- Crop production, storage, process and transport

Information for students

Please refer to www.swinburne.edu.au/policies-regulations/ for student rights and responsibilities while on campus.

More information

T: 1300 275 794
E: VETinschools@swin.edu.au
W: www.swinburne.edu.au/vetis

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Units of competency

Year 1 and 2

Unit code	Unit name	Nominal hours	Compulsory / Elective
AHCLSC201	Assist with landscape construction work	30	E
AHCLSC202	Construct low-profile timber or modular retaining walls	50	E
AHCLSC204	Lay paving	30	E
AHCNSY202	Care for nursery plants	30	E
AHCNSY203	Undertake propagation activities	30	E
AHCPGD203	Prune shrubs and small trees	35	E
Total nominal units		205	

Information is current at the time of publication (September 2017) but is subject to change.