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Business Academy – VCE VM - Application

PARADE COLLEGE - PRESTON CAMPUS

Application information

Full Name: _____
Last First Middle Names

Year: _____ Tutor Group: _____ Student ID Number: _____

This program is a part of the VCE Vocational Major (VM) and necessitates that students meet the minimum requirements for the VCE VM. Additionally, successful completion of a Certificate IV in Business is required to qualify for entry to La Trobe University. This is a two-year program within the VCE VM. Students complete the General Achievement Test (GAT) in Year 12, however, the program does not include externally scored assessments (i.e. examinations), and subjects do not contribute to an ATAR or receive individual study scores.

The program also incorporates structured workplace learning/work experience and enrollment in the relevant VET subjects. Acceptance into the Business Academy involves enrollment at the Preston Campus of Parade College. The College does not offer the option of transferring from the VCE VM to the VCE or between campuses once enrolled in the program.

Selection Criteria:

1. *Demonstrated a consistent record of upholding the college ethos, which includes showing respect and appropriate behaviour towards peers, staff and the wider school community, as evidenced through school behavioural records.*
2. *A record of following college expectations. This not only includes adherence to the uniform policy and maintaining good attendance, but also timely submission of class work and assessment tasks.*
3. *Attendance levels of 85% or above.*
4. *A record of obtaining a 'C average' in the core subjects of English, Mathematics, and other elective subjects.*
5. *Articulated why they are interested in joining the Business Academy, what aspects of business studies they are most interested in, and how they believe the program will help them achieve their future career goals.*
6. *A basic understanding of the VCE VM program and be able to explain how they think it will contribute to their learning experience.*
7. *Ideally have some previous experience with structured workplace learning/work experience. If they do, they should be able to share their experiences and learnings and explain how they plan to apply the skills and knowledge gained in their studies and future career.*
8. *The ability to identify which courses at La Trobe University they are interested in and why.*
9. *Sought career advice before applying to this program.*

Provide a response to the following:

Interest in the Program

1) Why are you interested in applying for the Business Academy?

2) What aspects of business studies are you most interested in and why?

3) How do you think this program will help you achieve your future career goals?

About you

4) List any achievement(s) that make you feel most proud of. (This may be a position of responsibility you have held or awards you have earned etc.).

5) List any current or former involvement with any extracurricular activities or a member of any external organisations (e.g. Scouts, Sporting Club, coding club, musical instrument etc.)

Understanding of VCE VM

6) *How do you think the VCE VM program will contribute to your learning experience?*

7) *Have you had any previous experience with structured workplace learning, or do you have employment outside of school? If yes, could you share your experiences and learnings?*

Career Advice / Courses at La Trobe

8) *Of the courses that the Business Academy offer direct entry to, which courses at La Trobe University are you interested in and why?*

9) *Have you sought any career advice before applying to this program? If yes, could you share the advice you received and how it has influenced your decision to apply?*

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Disclaimer and signature

By submitting this application, you acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. This program is a part of the VCE Vocational Major (VM) and requires students to meet the minimum requirements for the VCE VM. Additionally, successful completion of a Certificate IV in Business Development is required to qualify for entry only to the following La Trobe University courses.
 - Bachelor of Business
 - Bachelor of Accounting
 - Bachelor of Health Sciences
 - Bachelor of Media and Communication
 - Diploma of Health Sciences
 - Diploma of Sport Coaching & Development
 - Diploma of Elite Sport Business
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3. The program incorporates structured workplace learning/work experience and enrolment in the relevant VET subjects.
4. You understand that acceptance into the Business Academy involves enrolment at the Preston Campus of Parade College. The College does not offer the option of transferring from the VCE VM to the VCE or from between Campuses once enrolled.
5. You have read and understood the selection criteria for the program. You affirm that you meet these criteria and that all information provided in support of your application is true and accurate.

We encourage you to seek careers advice and guidance before applying to this program.

Student Signature:	_____	Date:	_____
Parent /Carer Signature:	_____	Date:	_____

For further information, please contact the Parade staff listed:

Ms Tegan Hopkin – Dean of VCE Vocational Major

Mr Maurice Petruccelli – Assistant Principal – Teaching and Learning

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Applications are due by Friday 26 June 2026
Please return this completed form to Student Reception