



Industry and Enterprise

Description

Industry and Enterprise is about work and its place in Australian industry and society. Students will investigate career goals and pathways and explore issues related to work, such as employability and enterprise skills. This subject is perfect for students looking to transition into VCAL in Year 11. However, is also suitable for any students looking to learn about work and different work environments.

A key feature of the study is the requirement that students undertake work outside the classroom in order to develop a range of lifelong and work-related skills.

Unit Topics

This unit introduces students to the range of settings in which work occurs in Australia. In order to prepare for effective participation in the workplace, emphasis is placed on the skills and competencies required for effective and rewarding participation in the workplace. This unit also examines the changing nature of work, the concept of career development and lifelong learning.

Future career pathways and occupations are investigated.

Completion of this unit can contribute to VCE or VCAL certificate.

Skill Development

Adaptability: being flexible, learning new skills, developing industry-specific competencies, embracing change, accepting challenges, seeking innovation and working with others.

Initiative: identifying opportunities, being proactive, creating ideas, using new technologies, asking questions, seeking feedback, accepting responsibility and working with others.

Communication: building interpersonal skills, using ICT devices, demonstrating cross-cultural skills, developing a professional and/or technical vocabulary and working with others.

Managing and leading: taking charge, managing oneself, managing others, planning and organising, managing risk, using resources effectively, working sustainably, reviewing performance, being socially responsible and working with others.

Problem-solving: analysing issues, making decisions, dealing with change, resolving conflict and working with others.

Possible Assessment Tasks

Workplace learning plans, workplace learning participation, local workplace visits and interviews/networking.

Activities/Camps/Excursions

Students will visit a variety of workplaces locally to help students understand work.