



# ROWVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE

## YEAR 10 HANDBOOK

Principal: Glenn Fankhauser  
Assistant Principal (West): Daphne Clements  
Assistant Principal (East): Julie Kennedy  
Head of Senior School (West): Wayne Judge  
Head of Senior School (East): Cathy Holleran  
Careers & Pathways Manager: Jenny Allen



# Year 10 Enhancement Units

## ARTS

- Visual Arts \$80 fee
- Dance
- Drama
- Music
- Media \$80 fee

## HUMANITIES

- Geography
- History
- Business & Finance
- Law, Government & our voice

## SCIENCE

- Physics & Chemistry \$40 booklet fee
- Psychology & Biology \$40 booklet fee
- General Science \$40 booklet fee

## TECHNOLOGY

- Information Technology
- Food \$110 fee (includes booklet)
- Textiles
- Design Technology \$80 fee

## ENGLISH

- Literature

## MATHEMATICS

- Enhancement

## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Read the Handbook carefully and discuss the subjects with your teachers and parents.
2. Complete the on line survey by **2<sup>nd</sup> September 2011**.

### On-line process

At school through the **intranet** – log in (Student ID eg AAA0001 and pin number) and then follow the steps outlined below.

At home [www.rowvillesc.vic.edu.au](http://www.rowvillesc.vic.edu.au)

INTRANET LOGIN (Student ID eg AAA0001 and pin number).

Ignore certificate warning and continue to this website then proceed to follow the steps:

→ Careers

→ Year 10 Subject Selection 2012 (on left hand side) Choose the appropriate survey if you are RSA or RIA

→ Respond to this survey

Click finish when all subject choices have been entered.

If you want to change anything you can return at any time up to the closing date.

3. Complete and sign the appropriate application form.
4. Complete the Acceleration application form if you wish to complete a VCE subject in 2012.
5. Make payment for the VCE subject if there is a payment required.
6. Make payment for all fee paying selections 1-8.
7. Return the application form to the PAC Office together with payment for electives by **2<sup>nd</sup> September 2011**.

# ARTS ENHANCEMENT UNITS

## DANCE

Students will learn about and develop technical and physical skills. They will discover a variety of expressive movement by exploring body actions, and begin the process of developing a personal movement vocabulary.

Students develop and perform theme based dances through a range of class workshops. Students also analyse and discuss the communication of their own and others choreographer's intentions and the expressive use of Time, Space and Energy. It is expected that in this elective students will perform their dance pieces at the end of semester to an audience.

Learning outcomes:

- Group dance
- Research safe dance practice.
- Analysis of own and others choreographers dance works
- Research assignments (Dance Choreographers)
- Solo dance
- Learnt work

**INTO** VCE > Dance

## DRAMA

The Year 10 enhancement sequence in Drama introduces students to techniques, styles and conventions required in VCE Drama and Theatre Studies for development into practical performances. The first semester will focus on learning, researching and performing different theatre styles and will culminate in term 2 in the development of an ensemble performance for an audience. In semester two, students will research and develop a monologue performance. Students will also research, analyse and evaluate their performance work and the work of other artists in written form.

**INTO** VCE > Drama

## MUSIC

Students selecting this enhancement sequence will be doing topics that will prepare them for VCE music, including: Aural training, arranging, score reading, composing and performance practice. Students selecting this subject will have the opportunity to use computer technology to arrange and compose for one of the school ensembles and rehearse and perform their piece. It is a prerequisite for this subject that student be currently learning a musical instrument.

**INTO** VCE > Music Performance, VET Music

## VISUAL ARTS

**\$80 FEE**

This enhancement sequence focuses on creating a range of visual art works by exploring a variety of themes, issues and ideas through the elements and principles of art and design. Students will experiment with and apply skills relevant to various materials, techniques and processes, such as technical and freehand drawing, painting, sculpture and printmaking. In their responses to various design briefs, selected artists and their works, students learn to analyse visual art works by understanding the characteristics and role of art and design within different cultures and history.

**INTO** VCE > Art, Studio Arts, Visual Communication & Design

## MEDIA

**\$80 FEE**

In this enhancement sequence you will explore the messages of print, photographic and electronic media. You will work in small groups and individually, to develop skills, techniques and media terminology in digital photography and video production. The relationship between culture and the media is examined through your own creations and investigations into films, photographs and other media. Production roles and processes will be experienced and explored. The course is both practical and theoretical requiring students to maintain a workbook, participate in discussions and complete your planned media products. You will create products like photographs and short video productions to be kept for your folio which may be used in applications to VCE & TAFE courses and jobs.

**INTO** VCE > Media, Studio Arts

## **HUMANITIES ENHANCEMENT UNITS**

### **GEOGRAPHY- THE ENVIRONMENT & HUMANS ON THE MOVE**

In this enhancement sequence, students will focus on the movement and interaction between people and their environment. Global issues like land degradation, tourism and immigration will be explored. Students will have hands-on opportunities to investigate different sources of data used to gain an understanding of the world around us. Further, students will take part in fieldwork outside the class room to gather their own data and form their own thinking about certain global issues. In this study, students will gain geographical knowledge, understanding and skills to prepare them VCE Geography as well as assist in a wide range of vocational opportunities.

INTO VCE > Geography, Environmental Science

### **HISTORY – AUSTRALIA IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY**

Students have the opportunity to gain a greater understanding of Australia's place in the world through the study two in-depth semester based units. These units will focus on Australia's involvement in various conflicts and the impact of these conflicts on Australian society and culture. During unit one, students will examine a selection of themes and issues from the following topics: Australia between the wars, The Great Depression, World War Two, Australia's sporting history and migration patterns and trends in Australian history. Unit two focuses largely on the study of the Chinese Revolution, Australia's involvement in the Cold War (Korean War, Vietnam War), Cold War political ideology, Australia's place in and relations with the Asia-Pacific region and Australian peace keeping efforts.

INTO VCE > Twentieth Century History, International Politics, Philosophy

### **BUSINESS AND FINANCE (Managing your money and creating wealth)**

Students will learn new skills and knowledge in managing their money as well as being introduced to the world of small business. Students will look at ways to use their money wisely and increase their savings as well as investigate methods available to invest their savings and create money for themselves through shares. Students participate in the ASX Stock Market Game working in teams buying and selling real time shares with a hypothetical \$50000. Your rights as a shopper as well as making sure you don't get 'ripped off' (cons and scams) are also studied. A negotiated assignment on an issue of interest (buying a car, mobile phones and plans, planning an overseas holiday etc.) is also undertaken. Students also investigate opportunities for and how to commence a small business as a way of creating wealth for themselves.

INTO VCE > Business Management, Accounting, Economics and VET Business.

### **LAW, GOVERNMENT AND OUR VOICE**

Students will be given the opportunity to investigate how to be an active citizen by having a say in our laws and the courts, our democratic rights and the development of our political system. This will include investigating world governments, Australian political parties, how a federal election works, Protection of Rights in Australia and the effectiveness of our legal system when it comes to settling disputes. Students will be participating in role plays, exploring alternative methods of dispute resolution and attending the Magistrate's Court and Parliament.

INTO VCE> Legal Studies, International Politics.

## **ENGLISH ENHANCEMENT SEQUENCE**

### **LITERATURE**

Literature is for students who enjoy reading and talking about books, poetry, films, plays and other texts. In Literature students will be introduced to a range of texts from modern to classic texts. The study will explore the ideas and concerns of writers and encourage personal and analytical responses, as well as giving students the opportunity to produce their own creative pieces.

INTO VCE > English Literature

## **MATHEMATICS ENHANCEMENT SEQUENCE**

This year 10 Enhancement Sequence is intended for students who know that they would like to continue with higher levels of Mathematics such as Mathematical Methods or Specialist Maths in VCE. This Course will run in addition to core Mathematics at year 10. The focus of this course is to reinforce and extend many of the concepts introduced in the core Mathematics course. This sequence will also provide an opportunity for students to investigate some of the more advanced mathematical concepts which form part of the VCE Mathematics courses. Topics would include: The History of Mathematics, Number Systems, Proofs, Matrices, Trigonometry (Unit Circle approach), Quadratics Functions and Problem Solving. Additionally there will be development and practice in the use of Graphing calculators. Students should note that they are still able to select any VCE Mathematics Subjects even if they choose not to do this sequence. Students will need the core Mathematics textbook for this subject as per the booklist.

INTO VCE > Mathematical Methods, Specialist Maths

# SCIENCE ENHANCEMENT UNITS

## GENERAL SCIENCE

**\$40 booklet fee**

This enhancement sequence is intended for students who would like a general science foundation that supports the possible study of VCE Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Psychology and wish to keep all of these options open with a single science subject. The course will cover a range of key topics from each of these specialised areas so as to provide a sense of what each follow on VCE subject may be like. While many of these areas will also be covered in greater detail in each of the other two specialised science units, students will still gain an appreciation of the main areas of science so as to make informed subject selections in VCE science subjects. Students will learn to design and pursue investigations ethically and safely, work with scientific models, and communicate their findings and ideas to others. This subject can be completed in conjunction with either of the other science sequences.

INTO VCE > Biology, Psychology, Physics, Chemistry

## BIOLOGY & PSYCHOLOGY SEQUENCE

**\$40 booklet fee**

This enhancement sequence is specifically designed to prepare students for VCE Biology and Psychology. It looks at aspects of Psychology including Intelligence, Personality, Memory and Learning. It will also look at the Biology aspects of Genetics, Evolution, Cellular Processes, and the physiology of plants and animals. The content will be taught through activities, experiments, and group work. Assessment will be based on class work, homework, practical work, inquiry based activities, and tests.

INTO VCE > Biology, Psychology

## PHYSICS & CHEMISTRY SEQUENCE

**\$40 booklet fee**

This enhancement sequence is specifically designed to prepare students for VCE Physics and Chemistry. Students will be engaged in a challenging study that is both practical and theoretical. Physics topics include motion, light and sound. The Chemistry component will have a focus on chemistry in the home and will include chemical reactions, the Periodic table, concepts related to matter, and the interactions of materials. Students will learn to design their own practical activities as well as analyse first hand data.

INTO VCE > Physics, Chemistry

# TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT UNITS

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

This course is designed to help people meet the demands for entry-level skills in the multimedia industry - building web pages, creating animation, audio or video for entertainment, advertising or education. This course will give you basic skills and knowledge. *What skills will I have when I complete this course?* You will learn about design and creative media techniques, multimedia authoring and digital imaging, digital audio and video.

INTO VCE > Information Technology, VET Cisco

## FOOD TECHNOLOGY

**\$110 fee**

In the Food and Technology enhancement sequence students will study safety and hygiene, nutrition (Dietary models and nutrients), factors that influence food habits and food selection of communities, different countries and their culture and traditions, multicultural styles of cooking, meal cookery (Courses of a formal menu and methods of cooking), convenience food versus homemade cooking, dietary related diseases and recipe modification.

INTO VCE > Food Technology, VET Hospitality (external VET subject)

## TEXTILES

This enhancement sequence introduces the students to an exciting range of traditional and technical skills associated with textiles. Creative skills and the more advanced practical skills of zip insertion, buttonholes, darts and pockets are covered throughout the production of various clothing projects. Students are required to complete set tasks in the areas of design and evaluation. Students study the changing aspects of fashion, fabric development, technical skills and fashion designers.

INTO VCE > Design and Technology, Studio Art > VET Fashion (external VET subject)

## DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

**\$80 fee**

In this enhancement sequence students will continue their journey with design and exploration and the manufacturing processes. Students will be able to use timber and other materials. Emphasis is given to making individual components of their design to complement each other. A range of hand and power tools will be used. Students also research the design of furniture and the materials from which it is made.

INTO VCE > Design and Technology, Building & Construction (external VET subject)

## Senior School Enhancement Program 2012 RSA Year 10 Selection Sheet

Your program will include **two enhancement sequences** from those listed below. Please indicate your preference by numbering choices 1-6. One of these sequences will be a VCE acceleration subject. Please complete the separate application form as well.

### ARTS

Visual Art	\$80	
Music		
Drama		
Dance		
Media	\$80	

### TECHNOLOGY

Food Technology	\$110	
Textiles		
Information Technology		
Design & Technology	\$80	

### HUMANITIES

Geography – the environment & humans on the move		
History – Australia in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century		
Business & Finance		
Law, Government & our voice		

### SCIENCE

Physics & Chemistry	\$40	
Psychology & Biology	\$40	
General Science	\$40	

### ENGLISH

Literature		
------------	--	--

### MATHEMATICS

Mathematics Enhancement		
-------------------------	--	--

**Please pay the full fees for all your selections 1-6 by 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2011. If you are not allocated to a fee-paying subject, money will be credited to your account in 2012.**

**All Rowville Sports Academy (RSA) students receive one enhancement subject up to the cost of \$40 covered by the College. If a student selects a VCE or VET acceleration subject this is covered by the College up to \$80. Students are covered for only one of these options.**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current Home Group (2011) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this application form and payment to the Office in the PAC by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.**

**Remember to complete the Acceleration application and your on-line application by 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2011**

# EAST UNITS OFFERED – 2012

## Acceleration

These units are subject to change depending on student choice and availability of staff

**Year 10 students** will be offered Year 11 subjects wherever there are vacancies after Year 11 students have been allocated to classes.

**Year 11 students** will be offered Year 12 subjects wherever there are vacancies after Year 12 have been allocated to classes and priority will be given to students who have already been successful in an acceleration subject.

EN011	English	Unit 1&2	EN013	English	Unit 3&4
LI011	Literature	Unit 1&2	LI013	Literature	Unit 3&4
BI011	Biology	Unit 1&2	BI033	Biology	Unit 3&4
BM011	Business Management	Unit 1&2	BM033	Business Management	Unit 3&4
VCR11	<b>**Certificate II in Community Recreation</b>	<b>Unit 1&amp;2 VET</b>	VCR12	<b>**Certificate II &amp; III in Community Recreation</b>	<b>Unit 3&amp;4 VET</b>
DA011	Dance	Unit 1&2	DA033	Dance	Unit 3&4
DR011	Drama	Unit 1&2	DR033	Drama	Unit 3&4
GE011	Geography	Unit 1&2	GE033	Geography	Unit 3&4
FY011	<b>** Food Technology</b>	<b>Unit 1&amp;2</b>	FY033	<b>** Food Technology</b>	Unit 3&4
HI031	History – 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	Unit 1&2	HI133	History – Revolutions	Unit 3&4
HH011	Health and Human Development	Unit 1&2	HH033	Health and Human Development	Unit 3&4
LO401	LOTE: Indonesian	Unit 1&2	LO403	LOTE: Indonesian	Unit 3&4
LO141	LOTE: Italian	Unit 1&2	LO143	LOTE: Italian	Unit 3&4
LO221	LOTE: Modern Greek	Unit 1&2	LO223	LOTE: Modern Greek	Unit 3&4
LS011	Legal Studies	Unit 1&2	LS033	Legal Studies	Unit 3&4
MA071	General Maths A	Unit 1&2	MA073	Further Maths	Unit 3&4
MA111	Maths Methods	Unit 1&2	MA113	Maths Methods	Unit 3&4
ME011	Media Studies	Unit 1&2	ME033	Media Studies	Unit 3&4
MC011	Music Performance	Unit 1&2	MC023	Music Performance - Solo	Unit 3&4
PE011	Physical Education	Unit 1&2	PE033	Physical Education	Unit 3&4
PY011	Psychology	Unit 1&2	PY033	Psychology	Unit 3&4
SA011	<b>** Studio Art</b>	<b>Unit 1&amp;2</b>	SA033	<b>** Studio Art</b>	Unit 3&4

**\*\* These are practical subjects with special conditions.**

**See the sheet “Special Payment Conditions for Years 11 & 12 Practical & VET Units”.**

UNIT 3 & 4 SUBJECTS THAT REQUIRE STUDY AT UNIT 1&2
Biology (Unit 2)
Chemistry
Further Maths (3&4) – must have completed and passed General Maths A
LOTE: Indonesian, Italian, Modern Greek
Maths Methods 3&4 (requires Maths Methods 1&2)
Music Performance
VET: Community Recreation – must undertake Yr 11 before attempting Yr 12

Details of these subjects are available from:

- Careers home page on left hand side under subject descriptions
- VET handbook available on Careers page
- [www.vcaa.vic.edu.au](http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au)



ROWVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE

SENIOR SCHOOL ACCELERATION APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Campus: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the subjects (**in order of preference**) that you are interested in accelerating into (**maximum of three**) and indicate the reasons for this application.

SUBJECT	REASON FOR SELECTION
1.	
2.	
3.	

**PLEASE WRITE A BRIEF STATEMENT ADDRESSING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS**

- Why do you think you should be selected for an accelerated program?
- What strengths do you have that will see you be successful into accelerating into a senior school subject?

---

---

---

---

---

**TEACHER ENDORSEMENT:** You will need to ask one of your current teachers to endorse your application by writing a brief statement in support of your ability to successfully undertake a senior school accelerated subject.

---

---

---

---

---

**TEACHER SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STUDENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

YOU MAY ATTACH ANY SUPPORTING EVIDENCE OR DOCUMENTATION THAT MAY SUPPLEMENT THIS APPLICATION

<b>2012 RSA SPECIAL PAYMENT CONDITIONS FOR YEARS 11 &amp; 12 PRACTICAL &amp; VET UNITS</b>
--

The following subjects require materials expenditure beyond that provided by the government allowance to schools in order to meet subject learning outcomes in a challenging and effective way. The fees for VET subjects cover materials, service charges, excursions and specialised skills training.

YEAR 11 2012		YEAR 12 2012	
DT011 / 22 Design & Technology : Materials	\$80.00 pa	DT033 / 34 Design & Technology : Materials	\$80.00 pa
FY011 / 22 Food Technology	\$80.00 pa	FY033/ 34 Food Technology	\$80.00 pa
ME 011 / 022 Media Studies	\$80.00 pa	ME 033 / 34 Media Studies	\$80.00 pa
SA011 / 22 Studio Arts	\$80.00 pa	SA033 / 34 Studio Arts	\$80.00 pa
VC011/ 22 Visual Communication & Design	\$80.00 pa	VC033 / 34 Visual Communication & Design	\$80.00 pa
VETIS Certificate II – Business	\$100.00 pa	VETIS Certificate III – Business	\$60.00 pa
VETIS Certificate II in Community Recreation	\$200.00 pa	VETIS Certificate III in Community Recreation	\$200.00 pa
VETIS Cisco Networking 1&2	\$300.00 pa	VETIS Cisco Networking 3&4	\$300.00 pa
VETIS Certificate II – Music Industry Foundation	\$100.00 pa	VETIS Certificate III - Music	\$60.00 pa
		VETIS Certificate III - Music Technical Production	\$60.00 pa
VETIS Program – at TAFE or external provider or KIOSC	\$300.00 pa	VETIS Program – at TAFE or external provider or KIOSC	\$300.00 pa

**PLEASE NOTE: Unpaid practical subject and VETIS program charges for 2011 must be paid before enrolments in the above units can occur. Details are available from the General Office.**

**RSA students will be given \$80 credit towards the subjects listed above.**

- In order for students to be enrolled in the units listed above **FULL** payment must be made either at the **conclusion of the counselling interview** or by **Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2011**. Payments made outside this time should be paid at the RSA Office in the PAC using cash, cheque or credit card or if paying by phone at 9755 4622. If payment is not received by the due date, students will be withdrawn from that subject/s and they will choose alternative non-fee paying subjects where a vacancy still exists.  
If there are any financial circumstances preventing your capacity to meet these payments then contact must be made with the relevant Student Welfare Counsellor at your child's current campus **prior to the closing date for payment**. We will be pleased to advise you, in strict confidence, of the options and support available.
- The College is not provided with sufficient funds through government grants to enable students to explore these subjects at the level required for excellence in the VCE. We are therefore not able to provide materials to students who have not made the necessary payments. Students retain the materials used in these subjects.  
Consequently enrolments not accompanied by payment of the **material charge** cannot be accepted, as the student would not meet the requirements of the subject/s. The College Council has approved the above charges and conditions.

**GLENN H FANKHAUSER**  
College Principal

**DEBRA DWYER**  
College Council President