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Greek
Gujarati
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Hindi
Hungarian
Indonesian
Italian
Japanese
Kannada
Karen
Khmer
Korean
Latin
Macedonian
Malay
Malayalam
Maltese
Mizo
Persian
Polish
Portuguese
Punjabi
Romanian
Russian
Serbian
Sinhala
Spanish
Swahili
Telugu
Tamil
Thai
Turkish
Urdu
Vietnamese

2019

Languages Program

Centre Classes



For Students in Years Foundation -12 (VCE)

- Implementing Victorian Curriculum: Languages (F -10) and revised study resources
- Distance Education mode is also available for 12 languages - see our separate brochure
- VET in Schools
(For selected languages)

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why learn a language?

Learning a language has been shown to have many benefits, including enhancing creativity, problem solving ability, literacy skills and the maintenance of cultural identity. In recognition of the importance of languages, Victorian students receive a bonus towards their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) score for successful completion of a VCE accredited language. Languages provide advantages for employment, with increasing numbers of companies seeking bi/multi lingual speakers to remain competitive in an interconnected global world. Languages add to Australia's economic wealth and security, and increase the capacity to communicate in a range of forums and situations. Students who complete a Unit 3&4 sequence in VCE Language/s may be eligible for the award of the VCE (Baccalaureate) – check eligibility requirements.

How many languages can I choose from?

Currently, more than 48 languages are available at the VSL. For a full list refer to the opposite page.

Where and when can I learn a language?

The VSL offers **face-to-face** classes at over 40 Centres in Melbourne, Geelong and regional areas. Most classes operate on a Saturday, from 9am to 12.20pm. Some weeknight classes operate after school hours. Classes are not usually held during school vacations, on public holidays, or on a long weekend.

At the time of publication, the teaching sessions for the Saturday classes of the VSL for 2019 are:

TERM 1 February 9, 16, 23 **March** 2, 16, 23, 30

TERM 2 April 27 **May** 4, 11, 18, 25 **June** 1, 15, 22 (VCE Only - F - 10 Report distribution)

TERM 3 July 20, 27 **August** 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 **September** 7, 14, 21 (VCE only)

TERM 4 October 12, 19, 26 **November** 2, 9 (Final day VCE), 16, 23 (Final day Years 1-10)

Distance Education mode is available in 12 languages - Arabic, Chinese, Classical Greek, French, German, Greek, Hindi, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Latin and Spanish. Please refer to our separate brochure to find out more about Distance mode or check the website:

www.vsl.vic.edu.au

Am I eligible to enrol?

The VSL enrolls students from Years F to 12 (VCE) who are unable to study their language of choice at their home school. Students from all educational sectors (Government, Independent and Catholic) are eligible to enrol. Currently more than 16,000 students learn a language with the VSL.

Adults may enrol to study the language at VCE level only, if there are vacancies. Adult students must obtain a satisfactory police record check. Where available at Centres and via Distance mode, secondary students and adults may enrol in a 'Certificate in Language' Course as an alternative pathway to VCE. This is a nationally accredited qualification provided under the VSL's auspice as a Registered Training Organisation.

How much does it cost?

As part of the Department of Education & Training (DET), the VSL is a government funded school. The VSL offers quality courses aligned with government curriculum standards and makes language education both accessible and affordable for all Victorian students. To assist with the cost of notes, class sets, photocopying, curriculum materials and other administrative expenses, a small annual charge applies.

For 2019 this charge is:

Students in Years F-10 \$80 **Students in Years 11- 12 \$95** **Adult and Tuition Students (VCE) \$220**

Payment may be made at Australia Post, via the internet, telephone or B-Pay. Details are provided on the enrolment invoice.

Who will be my teacher?

The VSL is the largest single provider of languages in Victoria. The VSL seeks to employ quality staff, with qualifications, experience, professional registration and the capacity to make learning a language an engaging and meaningful pursuit. A range of teaching and delivery methods are employed to cater for our diverse student learning styles and needs. Teachers regularly undertake professional training and development as part of their employment with the VSL. The curriculum is aligned with government educational frameworks and standards including the Victorian Curriculum Framework and VCE study designs. Student reports are issued twice per year. Excellent achievements by VSL students are demonstrated annually by the large numbers who gain perfect VCE scores, top scores in the upper percentile range and students who receive Premier's Awards. Our 'Top Scorer' evening is an annual event attended by hundreds of students, parents, teachers, dignitaries and community members to celebrate our outstanding student achievements.

How do I enrol?

All students who are Australian citizens or who have residency status must complete an online VSL *Enrolment* on the VSL website.

VCE students: Years 11 and 12: Full time students at the home school should apply for VCE entry first through the VSL (an *Assessing School Notification Form* will be provided for the home school). Non-school based students wishing to present for VCE assessment must make the application through the VSL. It is the responsibility of all VCE students to ensure their enrolment is confirmed through their home school.

International students may enrol in VSL courses through the home school. The International Education Division will inform schools of the enrolment process. Identity documents need to accompany the enrolment. International students enrolled in TAFE colleges or non-government English language centres are regarded as students of non-government schools and must pay the full fee prior to enrolment.

Classes are established subject to sufficient enrolments, availability of staff and other DE&T requirements. If a class is cancelled by the VSL and students cannot be allocated to other classes, a refund will be made in full. In other cases, refund applications need to be made within the first three weeks of commencement of classes and a service fee will be deducted.

Further details are available on our website www.vsl.vic.edu.au

Other languages or locations may be offered, depending on available resources and demand. Some levels may not be offered if there are insufficient students.



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LANGUAGES AND CENTRES

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING

Languages are offered on Saturdays, unless otherwise stated.

*Centres marked with an asterisk have First and Second Language options for Chinese, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean or Vietnamese. Contact the relevant Centre for further details. #These languages are not accredited at VCE level.

Albanian#	Altona North, Creekside College, Dandenong, Shepparton,	Japanese	Altona North, Blackburn, Brentwood*, Doncaster (Thurs), Glen Waverley (Tue), Hampton Park, Lalor, Matthew Flinders, University HS, Wodonga (Tues), Distance Education
Amharic#	Footscray City	Kannada#	Dandenong
Arabic	Altona North, Brunswick, Creekside College, Carwatha, Hampton Park, Lalor, Roxburgh, Shepparton, Distance Education	Karen	Croydon (Melba), North Geelong, Werribee (Suzanne Cory)
Bosnian	Creekside College, Carwatha, North Geelong	Khmer	Hampton Park, Westall
Bulgarian#	Glen Waverley	Korean	Blackburn*, Creekside College, Mc Kinnon (Thur), Point Cook
Chin Falam#	Croydon (Melba)	Latin	Distance Education
Chin Hakha	Berwick, Croydon (Melba), Sunshine	Macedonian	Altona North, Keilor Downs, North Geelong, Point Cook, Shepparton, Thomastown
Chin Matu#	Sunshine	Malay#	Dandenong, Roxburgh, Werribee (Suzanne Cory)
Chinese	Ballarat* (Thur), Bendigo* (Tues), Berwick, Box Hill*, Brentwood, Croydon (Melba), Dandenong, Doncaster, Epping*, Glen Waverley*, Haileybury*, Hampton Park, Matthew Flinders, Mildura, South Oakleigh, Shepparton, Taylors Lakes, Traralgon, University HS*, Warrnambool (Wed), Point Cook, Wodonga (Tues), Distance Education*	Malayalam#	Berwick, Epping, Hampton Park, Point Cook, Roxburgh, Taylors Lakes
Mandarin	Doncaster	Maltese	Taylors Lakes
Chinese (Traditional)	Distance Education	Mizo#	Croydon (Melba)
Chinese (Cantonese)	Altona North, Haileybury, Keilor Downs, North Geelong	Persian	Box Hill, Dandenong, Epping, North Geelong, Shepparton
Classical Greek	Craigieburn, Dandenong, North Geelong, Shepparton	Polish	Dandenong, North Geelong, University HS
Croatian	Sunshine	Portuguese	Collingwood, Westall
Dari#	Box Hill	Punjabi	Ballarat, Blackburn, Cobram, Craigieburn, Creekside College, Hampton Park, Matthew Flinders, Melton, Shepparton, Taylors Lakes, Thomastown, Werribee (Suzanne Cory), Wodonga (Tues)
Dinka#	Dandenong	Romanian	Dandenong
Dutch	Ballarat (Thur), Bendigo (Tues), Carwatha, Glen Waverley, Hampton Park, University HS, Warrnambool (Wed), Wodonga (Tues), Distance Education	Russian	McKinnon (Thur), North Geelong, Point Cook, South Oakleigh, University HS
Filipino (Tagalog)	Ballarat (Thur), Bendigo (Tues), Box Hill, Matthew Flinders, University HS, Westall, Distance Education	Serbian	Dandenong
French	Carwatha, Doncaster (Thur), Epping, Footscray City, Glen Waverley (Tues/Sat), Keilor Downs, Mildura (Wed), South Oakleigh, Traralgon, Distance Education	Sinhala	Bendigo, Brentwood, Carwatha, Epping, Glen Waverley (Tues), Hampton Park, Roxburgh, Shepparton
German	Werribee (Suzanne Cory)	Spanish	Berwick, Box Hill, Creekside College, Collingwood, Doncaster (Thur)
Greek	McKinnon (Thur)	Swahili#	Footscray City, Haileybury, Matthew Flinders, Point Cook, Roxburgh, Wodonga (Tues), Distance Education
Gujarati	Berwick, Blackburn, Craigieburn, Creekside College, Dandenong, Epping, Glen Waverley (Tue), Melton, Mildura (Wed), Sunshine, Shepparton, Werribee (Suzanne Cory), Distance Education (Year 12 only)	Tamil	Berwick, Epping
Hebrew	Dandenong	Telugu	Craigieburn, Creekside College, Lalor, Point Cook
Hindi	Brunswick, Glen Waverley*, Distance Education*	Thai#	Point Cook
Hungarian	Ballarat (Thur), Bendigo, Box Hill, Brunswick, Carwatha, Cobram, Glen Waverley (Tues) Matthew Flinders, Warrnambool (Wed), Wodonga (Tues), Distance Education	Turkish	Doncaster
Indonesian		Urdu#	Brunswick, Dandenong, Keilor Downs, Mildura (Wed), North Geelong, South Oakleigh, Roxburgh, Shepparton, Thomastown
Italian		Vietnamese	Blackburn, Dandenong, Matthew Flinders, Roxburgh, Shepparton, Werribee
			Altona North*, Blackburn*, Collingwood*, Footscray City*, Haileybury*, Keilor Downs*, Lalor, North Geelong*, Sunshine*, Westall*

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Centre Locations and Contact Details



Altona North (Bayside Secondary College)

1 McArthurs Road, Altona North 3025 9689 1166

Ballarat High School

Sturt Street West, Ballarat 3350 9689 1166

Bendigo South East College

Corner of Curtin & Ellis St, Bendigo 3550 9474 0562

Berwick Secondary College

Manuka Rd, Berwick 3806 9791 9289

Blackburn High School

60 Springfield Road, Blackburn 3130 9840 0082

Box Hill High School

1180 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill 3128 9840 0082

Brunswick Secondary College

47 Dawson Street, Brunswick 3056 9348 1720

Caroline Springs (Creekside College)

The Crossing, Caroline Springs 3023 0429047129

Clayton South (Westall S.C.)*

88 Rosebank Avenue, Clayton South 3169 9547 3780

Collingwood College

Cnr Cromwell & McCutcheon Way, Collingwood 3066 9348 1720

Craigieburn (Mt Ridley College)

2 - 30 Hampton St, Craigieburn 3064 9364 3201

Croydon (Melba College)

20 Brentnall Road, Croydon 3136 9474 0562

Dandenong High School*

92 - 106 Princes Highway, Dandenong 3175 9791 9289

Doncaster Secondary College*

123 Church Road, Doncaster 3108 9840 0082

Epping Secondary College

McDonalds Rd, Epping 3076 9464 0848

Footscray City College*

1 Kinnear Street, Footscray 3011 9689 1166

Geelong (Matthew Flinders Girls' S.C.)

Little Ryrie Street, Geelong 3220 5277 9833

Glen Waverley (Brentwood S.C.)

65 - 71 Heath Street, Glen Waverley 3150 9558 5566

Glen Waverley Secondary College*

21 O'Sullivan Road, Glen Waverley 3150 9802 4326

Hampton Park Secondary College

58 - 96 Fordholm Road, Hampton Park 3976 9791 9289

Keilor Downs College*

100 - 110 Odessa Avenue, Keilor Downs 3038 9364 3201

Keysborough (Haileybury)

855 - 891 Springvale Road, Keysborough 3173 9558 5566

Lalor Secondary College

118 David Street, Lalor 3075 9464 0848

McKinnon Secondary College

291a McKinnon Road, McKinnon 3204 9547 3780

Melton (Staughton College)

26-46 Wilson Rd, Melton VIC 3337 0436642201

Mildura Senior College

261 - 289a Deakin Avenue, Mildura 3502 5021 2911

Noble Park North (Carwatha College P-12)

43 - 81 Browns Road, Noble Park North 3174 9802 4326

North Geelong Secondary College*

86 - 132 Separation Street, Nth Geelong 3215 5277 9833

Parkville (University High School)*

77 Story Street, Parkville 3052 9348 1720

Point Cook Senior Secondary College

Cnr Boardwalk Blvd & Bergamot Drv, Point Cook 3030 5277 9833

Roxburgh College

60 - 70 Donald Cameron Dve, Roxburgh Park 3064 9464 0848

Shepparton High School

31 - 71 Hawdon Street, Shepparton 3630 9474 0562

South Oakleigh College

Bakers Road, Oakleigh South 3167 9547 3780

Sunshine Secondary College

Corner of Graham St & Derby St, Sunshine 3020 9689 1166

Taylors Lakes Secondary College

1 - 39 Parmelia Drive, Taylors Lakes 3038 9364 3201

Thomastown Secondary College*

80 - 96 Main Street, Thomastown 3074 9464 0848

Traralgon (Grey Street Primary School)

30 - 44 Grey Street, Traralgon 3844 9558 5566

Warrnambool College

Grafton Road, Warrnambool 3280 9474 0562

Werribee (Suzanne Cory H.S.)

225 Hoppers Lane, Werribee 3030 5277 9833

Wodonga M.Y College (Huron Campus)

22 - 24 Mitchell Street, Wodonga 3690 9474 0546

VSL Distance Education Section (DES)

315 Clarendon Street, Thornbury 3071 9474 0500

*Area Offices are marked with an asterisk

The telephone numbers listed are those of the Area Managers administering the Centres.

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