

# Midwifery

**This information is for current Year 11 and 12 students and is relevant for the 2024 and 2025 intakes.**

This document has been specifically crafted to guide you through prerequisite VCE subject requirements for entry into undergraduate midwifery courses at Victorian universities.

If you'd like to know more, click [HERE](#) for prerequisite study scores, indicative ATARs, detailed course information, and the steps to achieve your accreditation as a registered midwife. Get ready to embark on an exciting journey towards your dream career!

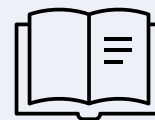
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Note: information for current Year 10 students will be released early Term 3.  
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## VCE prerequisites

Unless stated otherwise, all VCE subjects listed as prerequisites are Units 3+4. This means Year 12 level subjects. All courses listed in this document require the satisfactory completion of VCE Units 3+4 English (any). English (any) includes English (EAL), English, English Language and Literature. Applicants will need to meet minimum English language requirements to be eligible for entry into courses.



## Recommended VCE subjects

English (any)  
Mathematics (any)  
Biology  
Health And Human Development  
Physical Education  
Psychology  
Sociology



## Undergraduate course

This is usually your first course at university.  
For example - bachelor's degree. You can also become qualified in midwifery through 'graduate entry' studies. VCE subjects typically aren't taken into consideration as prerequisites.



## Boost your Selection Rank!

A Selection Rank is your raw ATAR plus any adjustments (academic and equity) you're eligible for. Universities use your Selection Rank for entry into courses. Did you know you can boost your Selection Rank through achieving academic adjustments for either successfully completing or achieving certain Study Scores in eligible VCE subjects. You may like to take this into consideration when selecting subjects.

# Prerequisites

Unless stated otherwise, all VCE subjects listed as prerequisites are Units 3+4 (Year 12 level subjects).

English (any) = English, English Language, Literature, or English (EAL).

VCE subjects eligible for Selection Rank adjustments are not prerequisites. Performance in them may boost your Selection Rank (raw ATAR + academic and equity bonus points). For Information on what a Selection Rank is, click [HERE](#).

## AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

Course	Campus	Prerequisite subjects	VCE subjects eligible for Selection Rank adjustments
Bachelor of Midwifery	Melbourne	English (any)	English (any) Biology Chemistry Health And Human Development Mathematical Methods Specialist Mathematics Psychology.

## VICTORIA UNIVERSITY

Courses	Campus	Prerequisite subjects	VCE subjects eligible for Selection Rank adjustments
Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery	St Albans	English (any) Plus at least one of the following: Biology Chemistry Health And Human Development Mathematics (any) Psychology.	English (any) Biology Chemistry Health And Human Development Any Mathematics Physics Psychology.

## LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

Course	Campus	Prerequisite subjects	VCE subjects eligible for Selection Rank adjustments
Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery	Bendigo Melbourne	English (any)	Health And Human Development Any Mathematics Physical Education Any Science LOTE.
Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery (First Nations Australian Entry)	Bendigo	As above	As above

## FEDERATION UNIVERSITY

Course	Campus	Prerequisite subjects	VCE subjects eligible for Selection Rank adjustments
Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery	Gippsland Ballarat	English (any)	Biology Chemistry Health And Human Development Mathematics (any) Physics.

## MONASH UNIVERSITY

Course	Campus	Prerequisite subjects	VCE subjects eligible for Selection Rank adjustments
Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery (Honours)	Peninsula	English (any). Completion of Units 1-2 (any combination) or Units 3-4 of Mathematics (any).	Biology Chemistry Health And Human Development Any Mathematics Physics Psychology.

## DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

Course	Campus	Prerequisite subjects	VCE subjects eligible for Selection Rank adjustments
Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery	Melbourne Burwood Geelong Waterfront Warrnambool	English (any)	English (any) Biology Health And Human Development Any Mathematics

# Examples of university units

The following are first year units for the 2023 intake at several universities. You will typically study 8 subjects in your first year of university – 4 subjects in each semester. At Victoria University, you will study units consecutively – not concurrently.

## AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

### Bachelor of Midwifery

#### Semester 1

Indigenous Health and Culture  
Human Biological Science 1  
Evidence for Practice  
Midwifery Professional Practice 1

#### Semester 2

Being Human  
Person, Health and Wellbeing  
Midwifery Care of the Pregnant Person  
Midwifery Professional Practice 2

## VICTORIA UNIVERSITY

### Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery

#### Semester 1

Anatomy and Physiology 1  
The Professional Nurse and Midwife  
Foundations of Midwifery  
Foundations in Nursing 1

#### Semester 2

Primary Health Care Across the Lifespan  
Anatomy and Physiology 2  
Fundamentals of Midwifery and Nursing  
Midwifery and Nursing Professional Practice Experience

## LA TROBE UNIVERSITY

### Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery

#### Semester 1

Human Biosciences A  
Introduction To Professional Practice  
Introduction To Nursing  
Individual Determinants of Health

#### Semester 2

Human Biosciences B  
Research and Evidence in Practice  
Social Determinants of Health  
Nursing Management and Assessment  
Foundations in Pregnancy Care

## DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

### Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery

#### Semester 1

Quality and Safety in Health Care 1  
Evidence-Based Practice  
Introduction to Anatomy and Physiology  
Quality and Safety: Nursing Practice 1

#### Semester 2

Care of the Child and Adolescent  
Person-Centred Health Assessment  
Partnerships in Midwifery 1: Pregnancy Care  
Quality and Safety: Nursing Practice 2

## FEDERATION UNIVERSITY

### Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery

#### Semester 1

Anatomy and Physiology for Health Professionals 1  
Communication for Health Professionals  
Introduction to Midwifery  
Nursing Practice 1: Introduction to Person-Centred  
Nursing Practice

#### Semester 2

Anatomy and Physiology for Health Professionals 1  
Midwifery Practice Foundations  
Primary Health 1: Determinants of Health  
Nursing Practice 2: Nursing Assessment and  
Management

## MONASH UNIVERSITY

### Bachelor of Nursing / Bachelor of Midwifery

#### Semester 1

Introduction to Nursing Studies  
Principles and Practice of Nursing 1  
Therapeutics for Nursing 1 (Nursing Concepts)  
Introduction to Human Biosciences

#### Semester 2

Principles and Practice of Nursing 2  
Essentials of Health Care Practice  
Systems Physiology  
Professional Experience Practice 1