

Hospitality Vocational Explorer

Step into the fast-paced world of hospitality!

This popular program is perfect for Year 9 students, offering skills that are highly relevant for first jobs in the hospitality industry.

What you'll do:

- Prepare delicious cold beverages including mocktails, milkshakes and smoothies.
- Make coffee and other hot drinks.
- Set tables and handle plates like a pro.
- Build confidence in customer service in a realistic restaurant environment.

Further Study Options:

- VETDSS Hospitality Intro – Explore hospitality while still at school.
- Certificate II in Hospitality – Learn front-of-house service, beverage preparation, and earn your RSA.
- Certificate III in Hospitality – Master service, sales, and operations.

Career Pathways:

- Food & Beverage Attendant
- Espresso Coffee Machine Operator
- Function Host
- Waiter
- Senior Bar Attendant

Don't miss out on your opportunity to experience a day in the life of a TAFE student and explore future study and career pathways.



When:

SMB Campus:

Term 1 - Thursday 5 March

Term 3 - Thursday 13 August

9.15am to 3.00pm

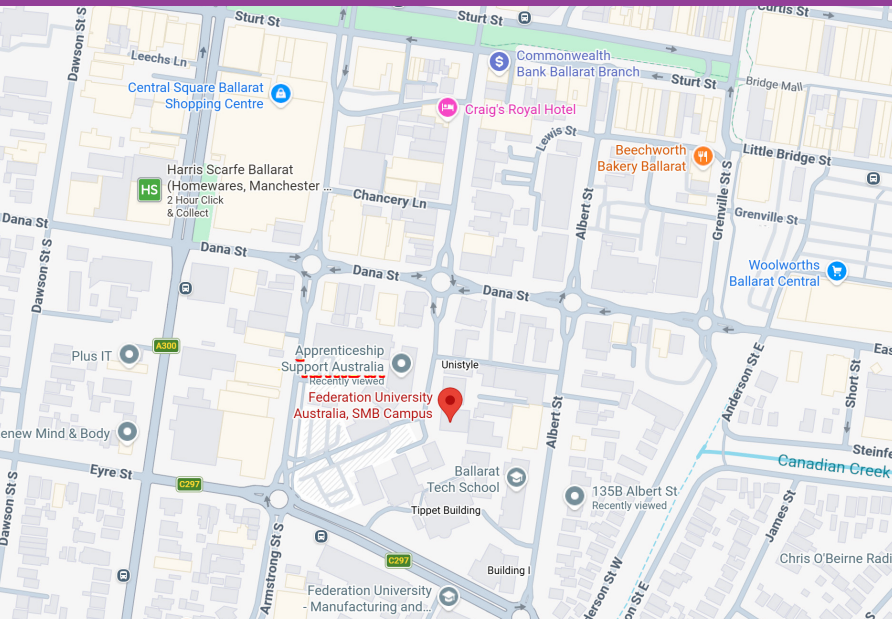
Helpful information

WEAR:

- Closed-toe shoes (non-slip)
- Long work pants or jeans
- Short sleeved shirt
- Hair tied back
- Minimal jewellery

BRING:

- Water bottle and snacks
- Lunch
- A great attitude and willingness to learn



Federation TAFE's Vocational Taster Experiences Pilot program runs in 2026 as part of the Victorian Government's \$4.873 million, three-year investment to support Year 9 and 10 government school students in exploring vocational learning and pathways.

The program includes:

Year 9 Vocational Explorers

Single day experience; and

Year 10 VET Tasters

Multi-day vocational learning experiences delivered over six weeks.

Year 9 Vocational Explorers

Hosted at Federation TAFE's SMB Campus, Lydiard Street, Ballarat Central

What Are Vocational Explorers?

Vocational Explorers are one-day vocational learning experiences designed for Year 9 students. These immersive programs introduce students to one or more job types or industries - helping them explore career pathways and understand the world of work.

Vocational Explorers support students in discovering future career options and preparing for vocational education and training.

Program Structure

Each Vocational Explorer is delivered as a single-day program with five hours of instruction. Students gain practical experience in their chosen trade.

Why Participate?

Vocational Explorers help students make informed decisions about their future by exploring vocational pathways before selecting subjects for Year 11 and 12. It's a valuable opportunity to try out different careers and discover what aligns with their interests and strengths.

Focus Areas

Programs are offered in industries with identified skills shortages in Victoria, ensuring students gain exposure to areas with strong employment prospects.

Buses available on request

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