



GEELONG
LUTHERAN
COLLEGE



Curriculum and Year Level Activities Overview 2025

GLC Armstrong Creek Campus

SECONDARY *Learning* APPROACH

SECONDARY YEAR 7 - 12

Secondary students Years 7 - 12 develop their ability to be analytical and critical thinkers, applying abstract thought, skills and knowledge to the world in which they live.

Connectedness is promoted between and across year levels through activities and support programs. Students are encouraged to work collaboratively with their peers, increasing their capacity for interpersonal development in the areas of empathy and compassion.

SECONDARY CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Curriculum in Years 7 - 10 is authentic, interesting and relevant, designed to engage active learning. We encourage challenging and relevant education, knowing that learning happens when students experience both success and challenge. In facilitating their transition to senior schooling, Year 9 and 10 students choose from a wide variety of elective subjects including Languages, Arts, Technologies, Health, Sciences, and Commerce.

In Year 10, the focus is on empowering life-long learning to support student growth in independence. Opportunity is provided to take a VCE subject and the procedural and administrative requirements. Additional learning opportunities are offered beyond the classroom, focused on character development and encouraging students to be thoughtful, productive and engaged members of their community.

In Year 11 and 12, we offer both VCE and VCE VM (Vocational Major) pathways with a range of subjects across all faculty areas. Engaging in the career development process is an integral part of the senior school program. Students explore pathway options related to their areas of interest so that they can make informed decisions about their future and understand the steps required to achieve their goals.

Years 7 – 12 for 2024

PASTORAL PROGRAM

25 mins per day

Mentor Group – three times per week

Chapel – once a week

Assembly – once a week

TIMETABLE STRUCTURE

6 x 45 min lessons per day
(Single and double lessons)

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Year 7 & 8 Learning Community

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evolve

Year 9 & 10 Learning Community

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Programs and Activities Specific to Year Levels



| | YEAR 7 | YEAR 8 |
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| CORE SUBJECTS | <p>Christian Studies English Maths Seven4You program Science Humanities Physical Education German OR French Health Sport</p> | <p>Christian Studies English Maths Anchored Program Science Humanities Physical Education German OR French Health Sport</p> |
| ROTATIONAL/ ELECTIVE SUBJECTS | <p>One semester of each of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Food Technology · Robotics / Digital Technology <p>One semester of each of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Drama · Visual Communication | <p>One semester of each of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Materials Technology · Textiles <p>One semester for each of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Art · Music |
| CAMPS AND OTHER YEAR LEVEL ACTIVITIES | <p>Seven4You: Transition to Secondary weekly program focusing on 7 C's Connection, Communication, Critical Thinking, Collaboration, Community, Creativity & Care. Health and Respectful Relationships curriculum components are also included in this program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Year 7 Camp experience · Geelong Tech School STEM partnership days · Elevate Study Skills presentation – Study Skills Kick Start · Introductory Careers and Pathways session · PLUS subject specific excursions | <p>Year 8 Anchored Weekly Program: Designed to support emotional and mental health and wellbeing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Year 8 Camp experience · Geelong Tech School STEM partnership days · Elevate Study Skills presentations - Junior Time Management · Follow-up Careers and Pathways session · PLUS subject specific excursions |

| | YEAR 9 | YEAR 10 |
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| CORE SUBJECTS | <p>Launch Program: Key questions each term shape cycles of learning that draw links between multiple subject areas.</p> <p>Christian Studies English Maths Rite Journey (includes Health) Science Humanities Physical Education</p> | <p>Christian Studies English Maths Year 10 Health and Community Connections Science Humanities Physical Education</p> |
| ROTATIONAL/ELECTIVE SUBJECTS | <p>2 electives each semester Options are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Studies • Drama • Digital Technologies • Exercise and Sport Science • Food Technology • Forensic Science • Languages – French or German • Legal Studies • Materials Technology • Media • Music • Outdoor Environments • Systems Technology • Visual Art • Visual Communication • Writers Workshop | <p>2 electives each semester Options are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accounting/Economics • Drama • Exercise and Sport Science • Food Technology • Digital Technologies • Languages – French or German • Literature • Legal Studies • Materials Technology • Media • Music • Outdoor Environments • Psychology • Systems Technology • Visual Art • Visual Communication <p>Students may select 1 VCE subject in lieu of 1 elective line from a range of different faculty areas which can change from year to year.</p> |

| | YEAR 9 | YEAR 10 |
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| CAMPS AND OTHER YEAR LEVEL ACTIVITIES | <p>Rite Journey includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Geelong Tech School STEM partnership days · Year 9 Citiescape Experience and Year 9 Camp Experience | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Work Experience – one week · Year 10 Formal · Geelong Tech School STEM partnership days · PLUS subject specific excursions |
| CAREERS PROGRAM | | <p>Intensives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Work Experience preparation. · Work Experience review · Visit to Gordon East and Deakin City · Elevate Study Skills presentations – Study Sensei & Time Management |



For Year 11 & 12, we offer both VCE (Victorian Certificate of Education) & VCE VM (Vocational Major) Pathways



| | VCE PATHWAY | VCE VM PATHWAY |
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| SUBJECTS | <p>Accounting</p> <p>Art Creative Practice</p> <p>Australian & Global Politics</p> <p>Drama</p> <p>English</p> <p>Biology</p> <p>Business Management</p> <p>Chemistry</p> <p>Computing</p> <p>Food Studies</p> <p>French</p> <p>General Maths</p> <p>German</p> <p>Health and Human Development</p> <p>History</p> <p>Legal Studies</p> <p>Literature</p> <p>Mathematical Methods</p> <p>Media</p> <p>Music</p> <p>Outdoor and Environmental Studies</p> <p>Physical Education</p> <p>Physics</p> <p>Politics</p> <p>Product Design and Technology</p> <p>Psychology</p> <p>Systems Engineering</p> | <p>Literacy or VCE English</p> <p>Numeracy or VCE Mathematics (General or Methods)</p> <p>Personal Development Skills</p> <p>1 day per week of Structured Workplace Learning starting Week 1, Term 2 for Year 11.</p> <p>1 day per week of School Based Apprenticeship/Traineeships (SBATs) for Year 12 starting Term 1, Week 1.</p> <p>Community Service and/or Project-based Learning</p> <p>Pathways sessions</p> <p>Excursions to support the learning program. Determined by student projects</p> <p>Certificates of accreditation vary but may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barista • Safe Food Handling • First Aid • White Card • Responsible Service of Alcohol |
| VET | <p>VET (Vocational Education and Training) is offered as part of both VCE and VCE VM PATHWAY programs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gordon TAFE is our major provider plus a small selection from other providers • 1st Year – Wednesday afternoon • 2nd Year – Monday afternoon or Wednesday afternoon | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VCE students can select VET in place of one VCE subject | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VM students MUST undertake a VET program as part of their certificate • Certificate II VET Workplace Skills is offered to students undertaking a VM pathway on campus. |

YEAR 11

YEAR 12

CAMPS AND OTHER YEAR LEVEL ACTIVITIES

Year 11 Connection Day
 Year 11 Christian Studies Seminars
 Year 11 Winter Ball
 Elevate Study Skills sessions
 "You Just Never Know" - Road
 Trauma Awareness Program
 RYDA Driver Education program
 PLUS subject specific excursions

Year 12 Camp – Melbourne - 3 days
 Year 12 Community Service
 program
 Spring into Revision program,
 Mindfulness coaching
 Elevate Study Skills sessions
 Practice Examinations
 Year 12 Thank God Thursday
 Mentor Group
 Red Frogs- Schoolies Education
 Year 12 Retreat
 Year 12 Celebration Day
 Valedictory Service
 Valedictory Dinner
 Plus subject specific excursions

CAREERS PROGRAM

Careers Intensive – Interview skills
 Practice Interviews
 Visit to Federation University and
 ACU – Ballarat

Visit to 5 x Melbourne universities
 during camp
 VTAC Information Sessions
 One-on-one VTAC counselling



CO-CURRICULAR & EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Activities

Activities are offered on a year by year basis and reflect teacher and student expertise and interest. These listed activities are subject to change.

| SECONDARY | | |
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| House events | Inter-House Competitions: Cross Country Swimming | Athletics Debating |
| Leadership | College Captains – Year 12 House Captains – Year 11 & 12 Faith Captains – Year 9 - 12 | SRC Representatives for each Mentor Group Year 7 - 12 College Ambassadors |
| Music | Chamber Orchestra Concert Band Choir Jazz Band | 7 - 9 Rock Band 10 - 12 Rock Band Private music tuition (at families expense) |
| Sport | Interhouse Carnivals for Year 7 - 12: Athletics, Swimming, Cross Country GISSA (Geelong Independent Schools Sports Association) Carnivals: AFL, Cricket, Tennis, Soccer, Golf, Basketball, Surfing, Swimming, Athletics, Cross Country | SSV (School Sport Victoria) opportunities – selected students Year 7 - 8 Weekly Sports Program (inclusive of our weekly GISSA competition against local schools) |
| Awareness events | Harmony Day – cultural immersion ALWS incursions (selected year levels) | Termly fundraising and awareness days for selected charities |
| Experiences | Arts Performance Evenings Debating Competition (Debating Association of Victoria) – Years 7 - 12 Public Speaking Competition (Debating Association of Victoria) – Years 7 - 12 Model United Nations – Year 10 Musical Production – every two years – next is scheduled for 2025 Cambodia Immersion & Service Trip | German Exchange program Mathematics Competitions: AMT Australian Mathematics Competition & Deakin University Maths Competition Family Maths Night German Competitions: Poetry and 'Ad of the Year' Competition Teacher/student sporting events Support for local communities, Geelong Mums, Diversitat, ALWS |
| Lunch Clubs | Library, Chess, Gym, Dance Board Games, Gaming, Running Art, German, French | Timber Tech, Study Hub with curriculum support Forever Young - Bible Club |