The University of Melbourne Extension Program (UMEP) allows you to study a university subject area during Year 12 and gain valuable academic skills while getting a head start on your future studies.

**EXPERIENCE UNIVERSITY LIFE**

The Extension Program offers a real university experience. Most classes are held at our Parkville campus, where you will study alongside first-year university students. You will have access to the Library network and receive a University of Melbourne student card and email account. You can use teaching, learning and study spaces on campus, and benefit from a range of online resources through the Student Portal. Extension Program students are welcome to join any of the Student Union’s 200-plus clubs and societies.

**EARN UNIVERSITY CREDIT**

If you enrol in a University of Melbourne undergraduate degree after finishing Year 12, you could receive credit for the subjects you completed as part of your Extension Program studies (without any university tuition fees). You could choose to accelerate through your degree, enjoy a lighter study load in first year or take additional subjects to open up more study pathways and career options.

**EARN AN ATAR CONTRIBUTION**

Your Extension Program studies can contribute to your ATAR as a fifth or sixth VCE subject. Depending on your mark, three to five points will be added to your ATAR aggregate (the score used to calculate your final ATAR).

The table below outlines the points you will receive and the equivalent VCE study score value.

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International Baccalaureate (IB) students are not eligible for an ATAR increment. However, they are eligible for all other program benefits.

**MAXIMISE YOUR YEAR 12 SUCCESS**

Extension Program students often report that the program helped them to become more confident in their academic abilities.

Completing first-year undergraduate subjects can improve your study skills overall, and may help you achieve stronger results in your VCE or IB studies.

**THE EXTENSION PROGRAM IS FREE**

The University of Melbourne does not charge fees for participation in the Extension Program. All subject fees, on-campus teaching costs, student services, events and activities are provided free of charge.

Please note that some off-campus School Centres set fees to cover costs including printing, teaching and learning resources, venue hire and staff costs. Not all School Centres charge fees, but the fee information for those that do is detailed on the Extension Program website.
“The program has definitely helped me prepare for university. I got to see what lectures and tutorials are like, as we don’t have these in high school. Knowing how subjects are taught made the transition from high school to university much easier for me.”

Michelle Padua
Extension Program Literature,
now studying the Bachelor of Science with Physics major