2019 Extension Program Information Evening

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How does the Extension Program work?

The Program offers an exciting opportunity for you to study at university level during Year 12:

- Extension Program subject areas build on VCE and IB studies
- Subject areas are equivalent in content and assessment to current first-year undergraduate subjects
- Subject areas allow you to gain credit and proceed to second-year level of the subject area in your undergraduate degree
- Equivalent to 25% of a full-time first-year study load in an undergraduate degree.
What are the benefits?

• Experience student life at the University of Melbourne
• Earn university credit
• Earn an ATAR contribution
• Maximise your success in Year 12
• Become familiar with the University of Melbourne
• Gain specialist knowledge of your favourite subject
• Start building an impressive résumé
• Attend on-campus social, leadership, academic and celebration events.
The Extension Program Experience

**Academic**
- Teaching and learning styles
- Volume of work and pace of delivery
- Independent learning and research
- Study skills and time management skills.

**Administrative**
- Knowledge of University systems and processes
- University email account
- Access to libraries and online learning resources.
The Extension Program Experience

Geographic
• Finding your way around campus
• Travelling to and from campus
• Size and style of lecture theatres, learning spaces, classrooms, labs, libraries, etc.

Social
• Meeting new people
• Interaction and communication with staff and students
• Increased independence and confidence.
How is the Extension Program different from School?

• Different learning environment

• Level of **independence**

• **Expectations** of teaching staff

• Services and facilities

• Size and **diversity** of staff and student population:
  ▪ Over 60,000 students
  ▪ Over 7,000 staff
  ▪ Students and staff from 139 countries
Events for Extension Program Students

• Welcome Day – Wednesday 23 January 2019
• VCE Unit 3/4 Revision Lectures for Year 11 & 12 High-Achievers – July & September
• High-Achievers Open Day Lounge – August
• Graduation Ceremony & Celebration Event – December
What can I study in 2019?

**Business & Economics**
- Economics

**Arts & Humanities**
- Art History
- History and Philosophy of Science
- Literature
- Media & Communications
- Philosophy
- Psychology

**Languages**
- French
- Advanced French
- German
- Advanced German
- Hebrew
- Italian
- Indonesian
- Japanese
- Advanced Japanese
- Further Advanced Japanese

**Sciences**
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Engineering Systems
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Planet Earth and Climate Change
Can I study more than one subject area?

- It is **not** possible to study more than one Extension Program subject area.

- The Extension Program is designed to **complement and extend** your Year 12 studies – to study more than one subject area is unmanageable.

- The Extension Program is **recommended for Year 12 students** however applications from students not yet in Year 12 may be considered if they have met the prerequisites for their preferred subject area.
Where are classes held?

On Campus
• Delivered by University academic staff including lecturers and tutors
• Attend lectures, tutorials, practical/laboratory classes on campus

School Centres
• Delivered by teachers who have undergone Extension Program Teacher Training
• Attended only by Extension Program students
• Classes proceed subject to minimum numbers

Combination
• Practical components are completed on campus
On Campus Classes

• Classes are first-year University subjects and as such follow the University timetable

• The University **timetable for 2019** will be available in **mid-October**

• Many classes are held after school hours (after 4:00pm), although this cannot be guaranteed for all subject areas, or for both semesters

• Once you have confirmed your timetable it will remain the same for the entire semester (changes are permitted if the need arises)

• Semester 1 and 2 timetables may be different
• You will attend a combination of lectures and tutorials or practical classes

• Lectures are usually one hour long, with between 60-500 students

• Tutorials are usually 1-2 hours long, with between 10-30 students

• Lectures are not compulsory, but they are highly recommended

• Most lectures are podcast and available to download
School Centres

• 2019 School Centre timetable information will soon be available on the Extension Program website

• The timetable is determined by the School Centre

• Most classes are held after school hours

• You will be notified if your preferred School Centre class cannot run (some are subject to minimum numbers)
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*NB: Tentative for 2019*
How will I be assessed?

• Assessment requirements vary for each subject area

• Details about methods of assessment for each subject are available in the University Handbook entries – follow the ‘Subject description’ links on the Extension Program website

• Assessment will generally involve a combination of assignments, essays, tutorial tasks, practicals and examinations.

• Assessment is conducted by University academic staff

• Your University exam timetable is available online four weeks prior to the commencement of exams
How can the Extension Program contribute to my ATAR?

- Successful completion of a full year of the Extension Program can be used as a fifth or sixth study in the calculation of your ATAR.

- You must also satisfactorily complete at least four VCE Unit 3/4 subjects for which study scores have been calculated (including at least one English subject).

- Any prerequisite VCE Unit 3/4 subjects that are being completed concurrently with your Extension Program enrolment must also be completed satisfactorily for you to be eligible for the ATAR contribution.
How can the Extension Program contribute to my ATAR?

- Depending on the mark you achieve, between three and five points will be added to your ATAR aggregate (the score that is used to calculate your final ATAR)

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What does the Extension Program cost?

- There are **NO** University tuition fees for Extension Program students in 2019

- **Some** School Centres may charge a reasonable fee to cover teaching and administrative costs, from $25 - $500 per year

- All 2019 School Centre fees will be indicated on the Extension Program website once confirmed

- Other costs that should be considered are those associated with textbooks and transport to and from classes
What if circumstances affect my study?

• If you experience circumstances that adversely affect your Extension Program studies you may be eligible to receive **Special Consideration** from the University

• **Special Consideration** can be granted for circumstances including short-term illness, hardship or trauma, religious observance, disability or chronic illness, carer’s responsibilities, elite athlete or artistic performer requirements

• If you **withdraw** from or **fail** the Extension Program you will not experience any academic disadvantage when subsequently applying to study at Melbourne or any other tertiary institution

• If you **withdraw** from or **fail** to complete co-requisite VCE subjects you will not be eligible for an ATAR contribution, regardless of your performance in the Extension Program

• If you withdraw from the Extension Program in Semester 2, after successful completion of your Semester 1 subject, you will still receive credit for that subject.
Extension Program students with disabilities

- The University of Melbourne understands that adjustments to teaching and assessment, and attendance requirements are often required to allow students to participate on an equitable basis.

- Extension Program staff will work with the Student Equity and Disability Support service to ensure students with disabilities are supported during their studies.

- Adjustments can be made for reasons that include the impact of a health or medical condition, including for mental health and wellbeing concerns.

- Student Equity and Disability Support coordinate a range of services and each student will need to negotiate appropriate support and provide relevant documentation supporting the need for a particular service at the commencement of their Extension Program studies.
Extension Program students with disabilities

• Support available includes the provision of academic support workers, accessible format editing, assistive technology and Alternative Exam Arrangements (AESs), Impact Statements and equipment loans.

• Other equity categories include students who are competing in sports at elite levels, who have caring responsibilities that unreasonably impact on studies and of those with religious or cultural observance commitments.
Am I eligible?

To be eligible to apply, you must...

• Be eligible for the award of the VCE or IB in 2019
• Be undertaking a normal full-time VCE over Years 11 and 12 (minimum 5 VCE Units 3/4 in total), or be completing an equivalent IB study load
• Achieve an A average in the specified prerequisite/co-requisite subjects
• Achieve a B+ average across all other Year 11 subjects (this does not mean a B+ in every subject)
• Have the recommendation of your school Principal and permission from a parent or guardian
Which subject area should I apply for?

Research and choose the subject area you wish to apply for:

• What is the subject area about and will I enjoy it?
• Consider the class timetable and attendance requirements
• Consider the class location and ease of transport to and from classes
• Research the assessment requirements
Before you apply

Check your eligibility
• Do you meet the prerequisites for your preferred subject area?
• If in doubt, you can always apply (there’s no application fee)
• Contact Extension Program staff if you have any questions: extension-program@unimelb.edu.au

Seek school and parental/guardian permission
• The Extension Program requires a considerable time commitment
• Discuss other commitments such as sport, part time work, other studies, etc. with your support network
How do I apply?

Submit your application online – applications are open

Submit your online application by Tuesday 18 December 2018 here: http://go.unimelb.edu.au/ahy6

✓ While submitting your application, ensure that you refer to the ‘How to Apply’ page for instructions

✓ Complete and submit both the ‘Teacher Recommendation and Principal Approval Form’ and the ‘Parent/GuardianPermission Form’

Submit your 2018 Year 11 school reports

✓ Submit a copy of your Year 11 school report (for ALL subjects completed in Year 11) by Tuesday 18 December 2018 – this includes all VCE Unit 1/2 and 3/4 subjects completed by the end of 2018.

✓ If you completed VCE or IB subjects in Year 10, or earlier, you must also submit reports for these subjects
Assessment and Selection

• Selection takes place from *late December to early January*

• An interview and/or placement test may be required for some French, Hebrew, German, Japanese, Latin and Physics applicants

• If required, interviews/placement tests are conducted in **mid-December** or **late-January** (we can be flexible if you have limited availability)

• Extension Program subject areas **DO NOT have quotas or enrolment limits** – if you meet the entry requirements and are deemed eligible, you will receive an offer
Application Outcomes & Offers

You will be advised of the outcome of your application by **19 January 2019**

- Successful students are required to enrol online in **mid to late January 2019**

- Successful students attend **Welcome Day** on **Wednesday 23 January 2019** to prepare for the year ahead and to collect a University of Melbourne student card

- Semester 1, 2019 commences on **Monday 4 March 2019** for on-campus classes

- School Centre classes commence in **Late January – Early February** and will shortly be detailed on the Extension Program website
Important Dates for Extension Program 2019

Online applications **OPEN**
- Monday 10 September 2018 via UMEP website

Online applications **CLOSE**
- Tuesday 18 December 2018

Deadline for submission of Year 11 reports
- Tuesday 18 December 2018

Find out if you’ve been accepted – **OFFERS**
- By Friday 19 January 2018

2019 Welcome Day
- Wednesday 23 January 2019

**Semester 1**
- Monday 4 March to Sunday 2 June

**Semester 2**
- Monday 29 July to Sunday 6 October
Keep in touch, get updates and ask questions...

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*sign-up to the newsletter for important updates and reminders for the 2019 Extension Program
Thank you

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