



Get paid to learn hands-on skills

Gain a nationally recognised VET qualification while you study towards your VCE and still go to school with your friends.

SCHOOL-BASED APPRENTICESHIP &
TRAINEESHIP (SBAT)



Give your career a real head start

The School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SBAT) program allows you to complete a nationally recognised Certificate II in Agriculture (AHC20122) or Certificate III in Agriculture (AHC30122) with RIST while studying towards your VCE. Giving you the opportunity to earn a real wage as you learn real skills and leave school with a qualification. Training is structured into your school timetable. Learn from industry experts on real properties and gain hands-on experience with livestock, machinery, crops and more.

What is an SBAT?

School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship (SBAT) is a formal arrangement that lets you work part-time for a real employer while training towards a nationally recognised qualification and complete your secondary schooling – all at the same time. You sign a traineeship contract through an Apprenticeship Connect Provider (ACP), your school supports you, and RIST – a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) – provides your off-the-job training. You earn real money, gain real skills, and still go to school with your classmates.

How does SBAT work?

- A traineeship contract is signed by you, your parent or guardian, and your employer
- Your school approves the arrangement and monitors your progress
- Keep attending school (VCE, VCE Vocational Major or Victorian Pathways Certificate)
- Undertake structured training with RIST
- Work part-time – at least one day per week – with a real employer in agriculture
- Minimum requirement: 7-hours of paid work plus 6-hours of training per week (averaged over the year).

Eligibility criteria

- ✓ You are in Year 10, 11 or 12
- ✓ You are 15 years of age or older
- ✓ You are enrolled in VCE, VCE Vocational Major or Victorian Pathways Certificate
- ✓ You are an Australian citizen or permanent resident

How do I get started?



Further information



Call RIST to discuss the Certificate II in Agriculture (AHC20122) or Certificate III in Agriculture (AHC30122).

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