

## **Certificate II in Building and Construction (Carpentry) Pre-apprenticeship VDSS COURSE CODE: 22614VIC**

### **Description:**

Interested in building things and working with your hands? This course is a great introduction to the carpentry trade within the building and construction industry. This VDSS program gives hands-on learners the opportunity to gain foundational skills in the building and construction industry while completing their secondary school studies. Students develop safe work practices, tool use, measurements, and introductory carpentry—all in a practical environment that supports career readiness.

### **You will learn things like:**

- Learn how to be safe on a worksite
- Safe and effective use of hand and power tools
- Reading and interpreting building plans
- Basic carpentry skills
- Learn how to measure and calculate for work tasks
- Erect and install wall frames
- Team-based project work on simulated job sites

### **Does this sound like you:**

- Enjoy physical outdoor work and have a practical mindset
- Are comfortable with manual labour and working in all weather conditions
- Have good hand-eye coordination and spatial awareness
- Are confident working at heights and with tools
- Enjoy solving technical problems and working to precise measurements
- Have a sound understanding of mathematics (for measuring, calculating angles, quantities, and quotes)
- Are not affected by dust or other common environmental factors on construction sites

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**Venue & RTO:**

| <b>RTO</b>                                         | <b>Location</b>                    | <b>Delivery</b>                    |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <a href="#">GOTAFE (RTO : 3094)</a>                | Shepparton, Seymour and Wangaratta | One full day per week              |
| <a href="#">Kangan Institute (RTO : 3077)</a>      | Broadmeadows                       | Blended delivery - April to August |
| <a href="#">Melbourne Polytechnic (RTO : 3075)</a> | Epping Campus                      | Wednesday 8:30pm – 4:30pm          |
| <a href="#">Skillinvest (RTO : 4192)</a>           | Broadford Secondary College        | Wednesday 9am - 3pm                |

**Fees:**

Your school VET Coordinator can advise on fees.

**Course length:**

1 to 2 years depending on provider and unit selection

**How to apply:**

Speak to your school's VET Coordinator and complete the VDSS application form. Placement is subject to availability and school approval.

**Qualification and Recognition:**

- Certificate II in Building & Construction (Carpentry) – Pre-apprenticeship - Nationally recognised - May contribute to VCE or VCE-VM - May contribute to ATAR
- Pathways opportunities into Certificate III/IV and Diploma in Building & Construction
- Entry into registered apprenticeships or TAFE programs

**Career Opportunities:**

- Apprentice Carpenter
- Construction Labourer
- Trade assistant
- Site Assistant

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