### What is Skills for Further Study all about?

The purpose of this unit is to enable students to develop knowledge and skills for further study that will prepare and assist them to pursue diverse and higher level education and training pathways in a range of settings. The unit focuses on developing:

- time management skills
- strategies for learning
- research skills
- a pathway plan
- portfolios and applications

Skills for Further Studies is undertaken in Semester Two of the students Senior Certificate. Students will then exit Mildura Senior College with a comprehensive portfolio and resume and sample job applications. This supports them to have a better opportunity of gaining employment in their chosen field. It also skills students in the area of further studies, many students chosen career paths require research, theory and further learning. This course allows them skills development in these areas.

### Areas of Study:

**Senior:**
- Organise personal and work priorities to ensure study/work objectives are met
- Develop and implement strategies for learning
- Demonstrate an appropriate range of research skills (minimum of four) for a variety of purposes relevant to a chosen field of study
- Develop a pathway plan, and consider alternative pathways, for further study/training
- Prepare a portfolio and/or application for entrance to a higher education/training institution of employment
- Prepare, plan and deliver a sustained oral presentation to an appropriate audience/peers on issues, ideas or concepts relevant to further study

### Type of Assessments in this subject:

- Assignments
- Letters
- Oral Presentations
- Plans
- Portfolios

### Key Skills developed through this area are:

- Research and learning strategies
- Applying for employment

### Possible Occupations that could relate to this study include:

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### Additional Information:

VCAL Skills for Further Studies is only for students who are doing a Senior VCAL Certificate.