# Vocational Education at RMIT University

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What's next...



# Australia's largest tertiary institution



- Founded in 1887
- Five Campuses in Australia & Vietnam
- 91,911 Students (40.6% international students)
- Established as a public university in 1992
- 3 Colleges, 17 Schools

- Exchange partnerships with over 200 partners across 40 countries
- In 2001 RMIT is invited by the Vietnamese Government to establish Vietnam's first and only foreign-owned university.

**RMIT Classification: Trusted** 

### **Our locations**

- Three campuses in Melbourne, Australia: City, Brunswick and Bundoora.
- Two campuses in Vietnam: Ho Chi Minh City & Hanoi
- A research, industry and global experience centre in Barcelona, Spain
- And with many partners across the globe, including teaching partnerships in Singapore, Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR, Sri Lanka & Indonesia

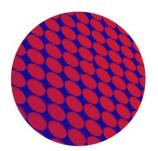


## Colleges



#### **Business**

- Accounting
- Business IT & Logistics
- Economics, Finance & Marketing
- Graduate School of Business & Law
- Management
- Vocational Business Education



#### **Design & Social Context**

- Architecture & Design
- Art
- Education
- Fashion & Textiles
- Global, Urban & Social Studies
- Media & Communication
- Property, Construction & Project Management
- Vocational Design and Social context





## Science, Engineering & Health

- Engineering
- Health & Biomedical Sciences
- Science
- Vocational Engineering, Health & Sciences

### **Schools**







The School of Vocational Business Education prides itself in the suite of solutions it provides to assist industry and individuals reach their full potential.



# School of Vocational Design & Social Context

The School of Vocational Design and Social Context delivers quality student experiences, deep industry impact, and a strong sense of identity and belonging.



#### School of Vocational Engineering, Health & Sciences

We offer a diverse range of certificate, diploma and sub-bachelor programs, including engineering technology, nursing, computer science, myotherapy, and dental studies.

## Return to campus



Our Nursing and Trades students returned to campus to complete practical assessments that could not be completed online.



**Building 57 Workshop** 



Nursing

## **Vocational programs**



- Our Nursing programs are 60% practical and 40% theory.
- Our Engineering programs are 60% practical and 40% theory.
- Our Dental programs are 70% practical and 30% theory.



**Nursing simulator** 



**Engineering students** 



# **Vocational programs**



Our Business programs are 50% practical or Industry project work, and 50% Theory.



**Practice Firm Facility – College of Business** 

# COVID-19 – March 23 – What happened

We were forced to suspend all traditional classes on campus.

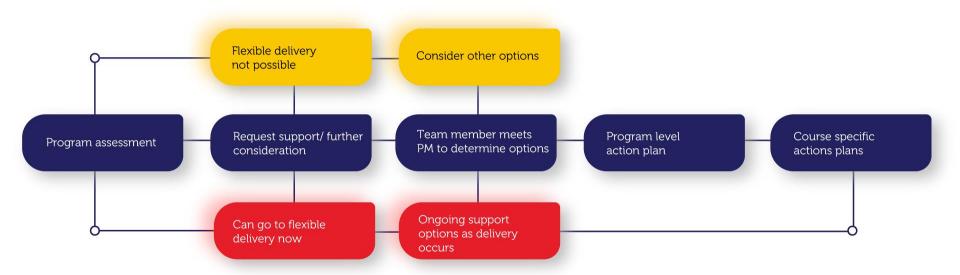
- Move all platforms to digital.
- All management and administration processes completely remote and online.
- Immediate shift from traditional lectures and tutorials to online.

**Note:** For Vocational Education, a significant amount of learning and skill enhancement was disconnected because of this (no practical assessments).

# Steps to flexible delivery

- Rapid transformation
- Assessment of what could be delivered

- Supported decision making
- Action planning



## **Support mechanisms**

- One-to-one mentoring and elbow support for teachers
- Collaborative support with learning and teaching staff in the schools
- Guidance materials, videos and templates
- Broad range of professional development options

# **Ensuring quality**

- Quality confirmation process against agreed benchmarks
- Feedback for teaching staff on quality of their online delivery
- Alignment back to support options
- Student feedback surveys
- Teacher self-assessment





### Where are we now

- Delivering classes online through Microsoft Teams, Echo360 and Collaborate Ultra
- Student experience guided through Canvas
- Formative and summative assessments submitted through Canvas



# What does the future look like?

- We have developed sophisticated online system approaches to support students distance education.
- Technology will assist with supporting practical assignments in the workplace.
- Simulation and alternative assessment practices will be used.
- Reliance on workshops, laboratories and technical equipment will become less.
- Industry partnerships will support many practical learning activities.