



WHAT ARE STUDY PATHWAYS?

Have you heard people talk about ‘pathways’ after Year 12 but not quite sure what they mean? Well let’s make things clearer for you!

Box Hill Institute has a few different pathway options for school-leavers that can help you get into your dream course without needing a crazy high ATAR score.

The first pathway option Box Hill Institute offers is a transition from high school to tertiary education by starting at TAFE.

Take David as an example. He finished Year 12 and went straight to university, but soon realised that the learning style at university was very independent and wasn’t right for him. David chose to defer (finish his university course at a later date) and decided to pursue his passion for music at TAFE. He found TAFE suited him better because it was hands-on and far more enjoyable. The class sizes were smaller and similar to school. David has since returned to university to complete his course.

Another pathway option is when you study your brain out but you just don’t get the ATAR score you were dreaming about. Box Hill Institute is all about creating opportunities and that’s why we have partnerships with four key universities; Australian Catholic University, Deakin University, La Trobe University and Monash University.

Let’s say you really want to go to Deakin and study a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education but you just fall short of the required score. You could apply for Box Hill’s Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (we don’t ask for ATAR scores), complete the 18 month course then get guaranteed entry into the second year of Deakin’s Bachelor course and get credit points for all your hard work. No need to stress about flunking out of the exams!

The final pathway option you might hear people talk about is pathways within Box Hill Institute. So you really want to study Hospitality but you didn’t finish Year 12 or decide not to sit the exams. Don’t worry, there’s always a pathway! What you’d do is start off studying a Certificate in Hospitality, then go on to do the Diploma, ending up studying your dream course; the Bachelor in Hospitality – all in a few years.

So that’s all about study pathways. Our advice is study your guts out and smash those end of year exams. Remember, if you don’t get the score you need, there’s always another pathway to get you into your dream career.

