CERTIFICATE III in Laboratory Skills  
Units 1, 2, 3 & 4  
Course Outline

Units 1 and 2: Program Content
Certificate III in Laboratory Skills is based on practical hands-on skills necessary for jobs in modern workplaces. The first year units cover communication and organisational skills, recording and presenting data, sustainable work practices, workplace laboratory safety and maintenance, elective sampling and basic laboratory tests.

Units 3 and 4: Program Content
In the second year of study students perform aseptic techniques and prepare culture media and working solutions, and perform microscopic examinations. This ensures that students develop the basic skills required for work in food, medical/hospital, environmental or similar laboratories.

Possible future career opportunities:
The Certificate III in Laboratory Skills is an entry level qualification for junior or laboratory assistant roles in a range of industries, including health; food; environmental; pharmaceutical; manufactured products and geo-technical. Job roles in a laboratory include collecting or receiving samples; performing basic tests on samples using set procedures; preparing the materials needed for these, and recording the data and other records.

Where this course is offered:
KIOSC Trade Training Centre – Swinburne University. Wanitima Campus
Year 1 (Units 1&2): delivered over 2 days
Monday & Thursday 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Articulation and Pathways

This diagram shows an example of how you can progress through this Industry.

**Additional Information**
For more information, consult with your Careers and/or VET Coordinator. Extra information is also available at www.vcca.vic.edu.au/vet/index.html

**Additional Requirements**
Students are encouraged to undertake an industry work placement.