

# KYLE MCCMULLAN

## SPORT DEVELOPMENT/MANAGEMENT

### LA TROBE UNIVERSITY



#### Senior School Subjects

- Year 11: English, General Mathematics, Visual Communication Design, Accounting, Religion and Society
- Year 12: English, Further Mathematics, Accounting, Visual Communication Design, VET Hospitality

**Why did you choose these subjects?** I chose these subjects as they were what I enjoyed and what I was good at. I did Religion and Society Units 3+4 in Year 11 as an Advancement subject as we were required to complete a religion subject and I felt it would act as a back-up if I didn't do well in my Year 12 subjects.

**What resources did you use to choose subjects?** I used the Senior Course Guide and teachers to identify subjects that would best suit me. Looking at the Course Guide and the description and requirements of subjects is a good starting point as it will give you an overview of the subject.

**What is your course like?** I study a Bachelor of Business (Sport Development and Management) at La Trobe University Bendigo. My course workload is not too strenuous, and I have gotten to complete both business components as well as specific sport subjects. I am in my third year of the course and am currently completing placement with Basketball Victoria. This is beneficial as gives you a feel for the work you will be doing once you finish your course. The university also helps you make connections with people and organisations that you might have not previously been able to network with.

**What do you love about your course?** I love that I have gotten to experience a broad range of subjects and I have been able to tailor the course to suit my interests. I love that I have the opportunity to complete placement as it gives me valuable experience and connections that will be beneficial when I graduate and apply for jobs.

**How did the subjects at school prepare you for your course?** I actually didn't go into any area that I studied at school. Accounting did help with some of my business subjects, and English has prepared me for many of my assignments that rely on good literacy skills. Hospitality has prepared me for moving away from home and cooking for myself, which can be a daunting task.

**Give students an example of a 'day in the life' of your course?** I have about 10-13 contact hours (hours that I am in class) per week. This means I am actually not at university that often and I try to limit my classes to only 1-3 days per week. Although I do have plenty of work and assignments to complete outside of these contact hours. Often I will have class in the morning, then I will complete any work or start assignments in the afternoon. Often you have many group assignments so I use my spare time to also meet and discuss these assignments with my group members

**What have been some of the highlights of your course so far?** The teachers have been excellent and are very knowledgeable in their areas. They are always willing to assist you, and like school will aim to help you reach your goals. Another highlight is the friendships I have made since being at university. I moved onto campus and is where I have met some of my best mates.

**What is the best piece of advice you've received about following your career goals:** Do what you enjoy, are good at and passionate about. This will allow you not to burn out and stick out the whole university course.

**What advice can you offer students considering studying the course?** Look into the universities that offer the course and attend open days and information sessions about the subject. Also collect the course guides or access them online and look at the overview of the course and some of the subjects that you will complete.

**Course information:** Bachelor of Business (Sport Development/Management), La Trobe University, <http://bit.ly/29QpKw1>