

If you love biology, want to do 3/4 Biology, heck, even if you don't enjoy biology, without a doubt pick Biotechnology. This is an exclusive elective where you have the opportunity to explore in detail how DNA and RNA are able to give rise to living organisms, along with special experiments that most other students don't have a chance to experience until they enter university. Take this elective, you won't regret it!

Darren Chee (2019 student)

"If you're thinking about studying biology in VCE, biotechnology is definitely the right elective for you. From the very basics like DNA structure (covered in Unit 1/2), to the applications of sophisticated laboratory technology such as PCR and Gel Electrophoresis (part of Unit 3/4), Biotech gives you a great taster for what your further biology studies might look like at JMSS and beyond. Biotechnology was probably my favourite elective when I took it in year 10, not only because it set me up well for year 12, but also because the content was incredibly interesting, the theory to practical work ratio was perfect and the workload was manageable. In my year we got to a lot of exciting pracs like analysing the DNA of a strawberry! Whether biology is your favourite subject or even if you've never studied it before and want to see what it's like, this elective caters well to every type of student. I hope you pick Biotech and enjoy it as much as I did!"

Pary Nejatbakhsh (2019 student)