

VLC Tutorial

The VCE Physics Unit 3&4 Virtual Learning Community functions in a very similar way to the more popular social networks, MySpace and Facebook. The platform we are using is called Ning. The beauty of this VLC is it is student-driven. The experienced educators and textbook authors will be a part to facilitate the odd discussion, to answer questions and provide resources, and just communicate with students in general.

The learning potential for you, the student, is enormous. Make sure you make the most of it!

Registering for Ning and joining our Virtual Learning Community

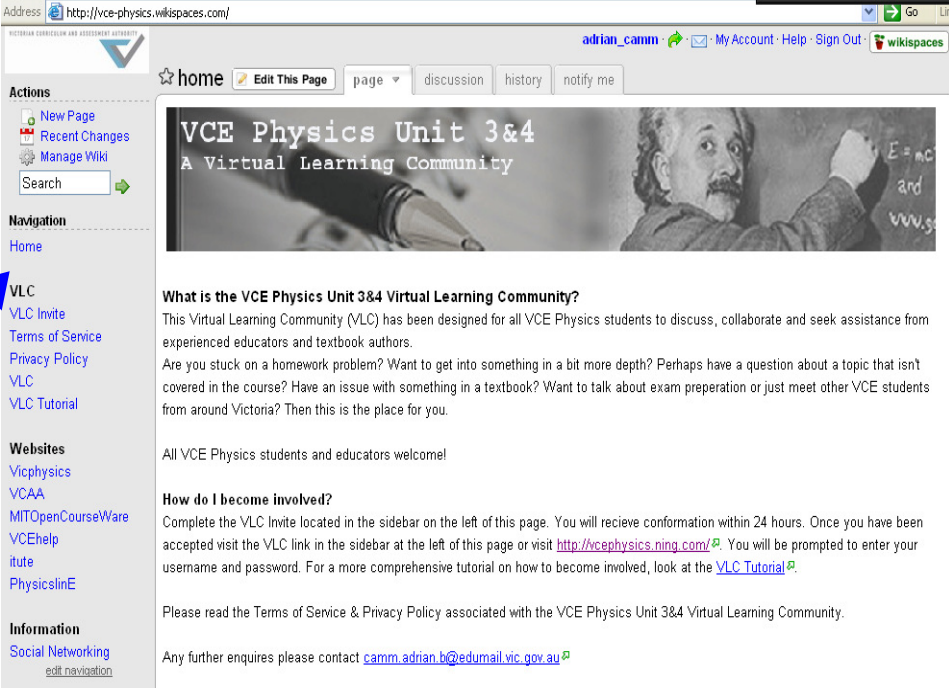
Step 1:

Open VCE Physics Unit 3&4 Wiki.

<http://vce-physics.wikispaces.com/>

Step 2:

Click on the VLC Invite link on the left-side navigation bar.



Address <http://vce-physics.wikispaces.com/>

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VCE Physics Unit 3&4

A Virtual Learning Community

What is the VCE Physics Unit 3&4 Virtual Learning Community?

This Virtual Learning Community (VLC) has been designed for all VCE Physics students to discuss, collaborate and seek assistance from experienced educators and textbook authors.

Are you stuck on a homework problem? Want to get into something in a bit more depth? Perhaps have a question about a topic that isn't covered in the course? Have an issue with something in a textbook? Want to talk about exam preparation or just meet other VCE students from around Victoria? Then this is the place for you.

All VCE Physics students and educators welcome!

How do I become involved?

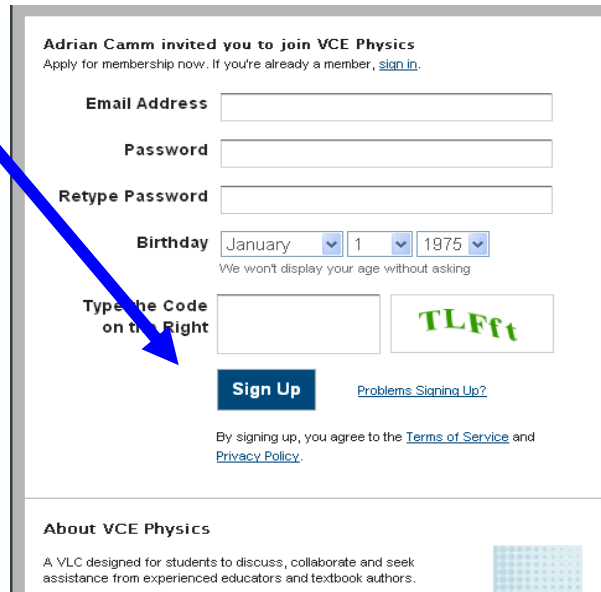
Complete the VLC Invite located in the sidebar on the left of this page. You will receive confirmation within 24 hours. Once you have been accepted visit the VLC link in the sidebar at the left of this page or visit <http://vcephysics.ning.com/>. You will be prompted to enter your username and password. For a more comprehensive tutorial on how to become involved, look at the [VLC Tutorial](#).

Please read the Terms of Service & Privacy Policy associated with the VCE Physics Unit 3&4 Virtual Learning Community.

Any further enquiries please contact camm.adrian.b@edumail.vic.gov.au

Step 3:

Fill in the required details. (A valid email is required) Click “sign-up” to register with Ning.



The registration form for VCE Physics includes the following fields and elements:

- Header:** "Adrian Camm invited you to join VCE Physics" with a link to "sign in" for existing members.
- Fields:** Email Address, Password, Retype Password, Birthday (Month: January, Day: 1, Year: 1975), and a CAPTCHA field labeled "Type the Code on the Right".
- Image:** A logo for "TLFFt" is displayed next to the CAPTCHA field.
- Buttons:** A blue "Sign Up" button and a link for "Problems Signing Up?".
- Footer:** "About VCE Physics" section stating it is a VLE for students to discuss and collaborate, with assistance from educators and authors.

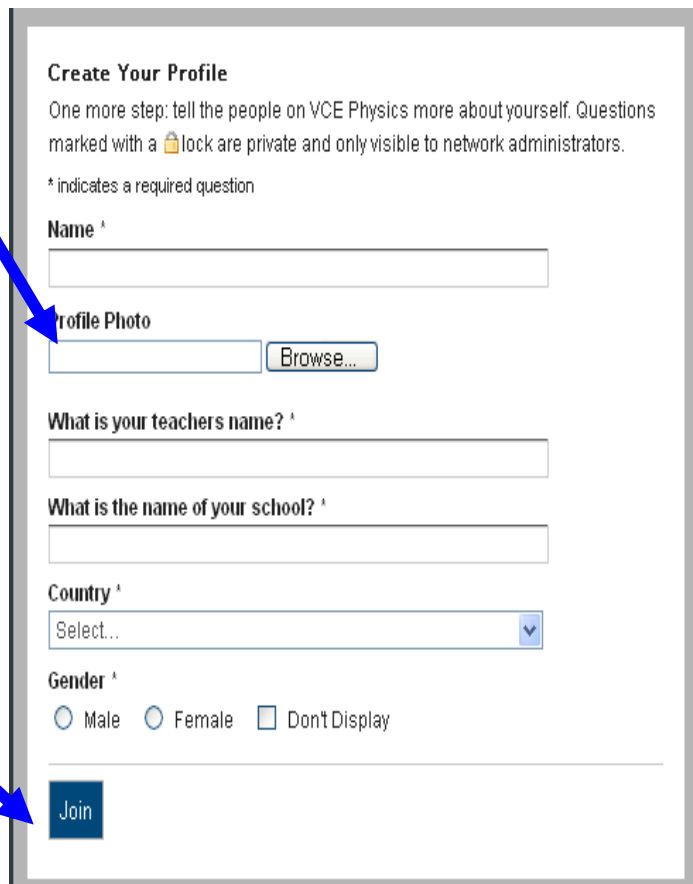
Step 4:

Complete your profile by completing the rest of the fields.

Note: You are not required to upload a profile photo, but it is helpful in identifying you. Remember that the VLE is password protected, so only members of the VLE will be able to see it.

Also, you may choose to upload your photo or edit your profile at a later date.

Once you have finished click “join”.



The "Create Your Profile" form includes the following fields and elements:

- Header:** "Create Your Profile" with a note: "One more step: tell the people on VCE Physics more about yourself. Questions marked with a lock icon are private and only visible to network administrators." and a note: "* indicates a required question".
- Fields:** Name *, Profile Photo (with a "Browse..." button), "What is your teachers name? *", "What is the name of your school? *", Country *, and Gender *.
- Options:** Radio buttons for Gender: Male, Female, and Don't Display.
- Button:** A blue "Join" button at the bottom.

Step 5:

You will receive a confirmation that your request is pending Adrian Camm's approval. Within 24 hours you will receive notification via email that your membership has been approved.

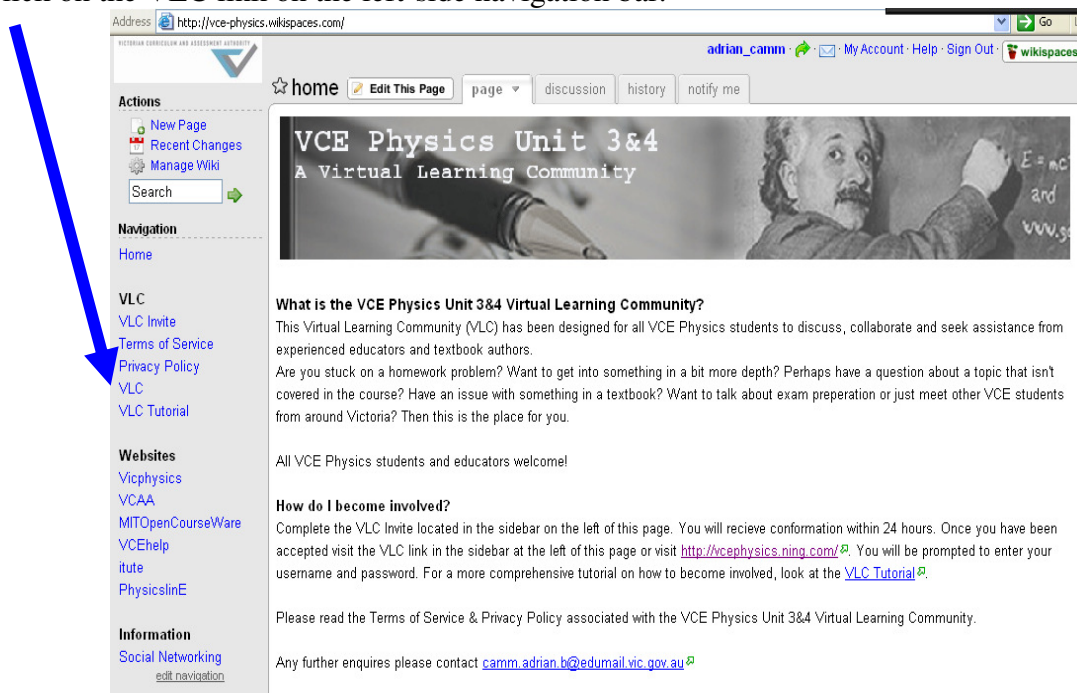
Logging into our Virtual Learning Community

Step 1:

Open VCE Physics Unit 3&4 Virtual Learning Community Wiki

<http://vce-physics.wikispaces.com/>

Click on the VLC link on the left-side navigation bar.

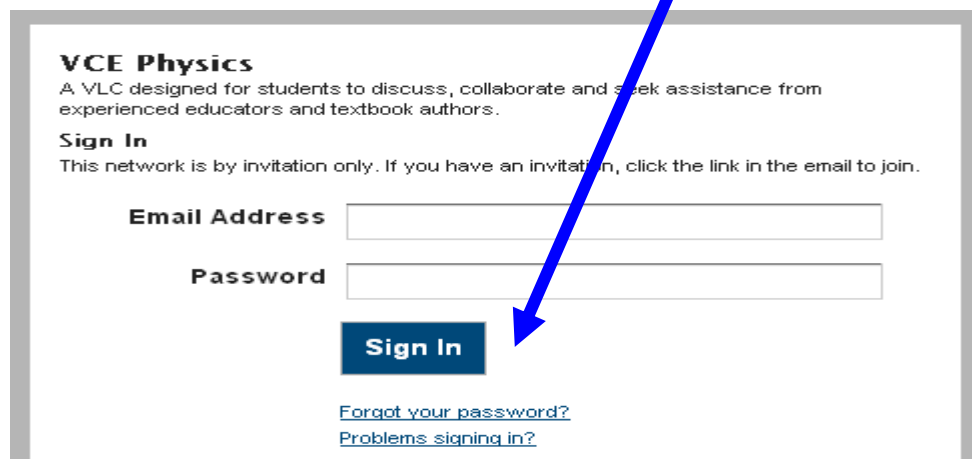


The screenshot shows the Wikispaces interface for the VCE Physics Unit 3&4 Virtual Learning Community. The address bar shows <http://vce-physics.wikispaces.com/>. The page title is "VCE Physics Unit 3&4 A Virtual Learning Community". The left navigation bar includes sections for "Actions" (New Page, Recent Changes, Manage Wiki, Search), "Navigation" (Home, VLC, VLC Invite, Terms of Service, Privacy Policy, VLC, VLC Tutorial), "Websites" (Vicphysics, VCAA, MITOpenCourseWare, VCEhelp, itute, PhysicsInE), and "Information" (Social Networking, edit navigation). A blue arrow points to the "VLC" link in the Navigation section. The main content area includes a header image of Albert Einstein, a section titled "What is the VCE Physics Unit 3&4 Virtual Learning Community?" with introductory text, a "How do I become involved?" section with instructions, and contact information for Adrian Camm.

Alternatively, visit <http://vcephysics.ning.com/> directly.

Step 2:

Enter your email address and password. Then click "sign-in".



The screenshot shows the "VCE Physics" sign-in page. The header includes the title "VCE Physics" and a description: "A VLC designed for students to discuss, collaborate and seek assistance from experienced educators and textbook authors." Below this is the "Sign In" section with the text: "This network is by invitation only. If you have an invitation, click the link in the email to join." There are two input fields: "Email Address" and "Password". Below the fields is a blue "Sign In" button. A blue arrow points to the "Sign In" button. At the bottom, there are two links: "Forgot your password?" and "Problems signing in?"