

# CAREERS NEWS

## FOCUS ON EARLY INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR TAFE & UNIVERSITY

It's never too early to start considering your future career directions. Many students often feel lost about what they would like to study and many feel like they don't know where to start.

There are many things to consider-

- > Complete Year 12 or leave school early?
- > Vocational or higher education?
- > Have a gap year or go straight into further study?
- > Can I afford to move away if I can't study locally?

For students and their families who haven't been to a university or TAFE information session, there are even more questions-

- > Where can I study the course I am interested in?
- > How do I choose between several courses across several institutions?
- > How much will my course cost?
- > How do I find out about scholarships?
- > What if I don't obtain the ATAR I need?
- > What is university and TAFE actually like?

These decisions can be difficult to make, and then you have the added pressure of focusing on your studies and other commitments like sport, hobbies and employment.

- > Not only can it be tough for students, but also for families!
- > Where do we access information?
- > How do we best support our child?
- > How can we afford the costs associated with further study?
- > Will Youth Allowance be available?

Apart from meeting with your career adviser early in the year, it is a great idea to attend information sessions run by vocational and university institutes. Many run focus days and information seminars throughout the year, and most run Open Days in August and September.

By attending information sessions, you and your family will be able to do the following:

- > Speak directly to current students and lecturers about the courses you are interested in.
- > Look around the campus and get a feel for the culture of the institution (e.g., does it have a modern or traditional feel? Do you think it would be easy to meet people? Would you prefer to study at a small or large campus?).
- > Learn about scholarships, course costs, government fee assistance, global exchange programs and accommodation options.
- > Ask about alternative pathway programs available in case you don't get the ATAR you need for your course.
- > Attend workshops and sessions on the courses you are interested in and compare facilities and student services between institutions.

Attending information sessions will assist you in setting new career goals or firming up ideas you already have. Having a course or courses in mind can also assist you in feeling more motivated to work hard at school.

Information sessions are usually free and you may have to register. Start to map out session dates on a calendar and pick the ones you will be able to attend. Here are some tertiary information session dates to get you started:

### Charles Sturt University- 'MyDay' seminars

MyDay's showcase over 40 courses. April events include Animal Science, Veterinary Science, Equine Science, Dental Science, Physiotherapy, Pharmacy and Clinical Science etc. Register to receive updates at this link, <http://bit.ly/2kVYa5R>

### Monash University- 'Inside Monash' seminars.

These events showcase different faculties within the University. The seminars run over several months and students have to book in advance. Dates haven't been released yet, but you can bookmark the Inside Monash page at this link to check for updates - <http://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>

### Melbourne University – 'Meet Melbourne'

Representatives from the University will be visiting several regional locations to advise students and parents about courses, career outcomes, housing options, scholarships and student services. The following are several events running in March: Tuesday 13 March: Bendigo For more information and to register, go to <http://bit.ly/2lzP67x>

### A Day at Melbourne University

This event is being held during the Term 1 holidays. You will learn about:

- > Undergraduate degrees and graduate pathways
- > Admissions and entry requirements
- > Access Melbourne and Melbourne Scholarships
- > Accommodation options
- > How parents can help with the transition to university.

You will also be able to participate in a session focusing on the course you are interested in. A date hasn't been released yet but you can booklink the following page for updates, <http://bit.ly/2lzP67x>

### La Trobe University - 'Experience La Trobe'

These events are designed for future students to get a taste of what it's like to be a La Trobe student for a day. You will be able to: chat with staff and course advisers, participate in structured workshops focused on your desired career/course and talk to student ambassadors about studying at La Trobe. Parents are welcome. Upcoming dates are as follows:

- > Melbourne – Friday 6 April and Friday 6 July
- > Albury-Wodonga – Sunday 1 July
- > Bendigo – Wednesday 4 July

For more information and to register your interest, please go to <http://bit.ly/1Rilhxz>

### Explore Deakin University

During the school holidays you are invited to experience Deakin University through their Step on Campus program. You will be taken on a 45-minute tour of your chosen campus by a current Deakin University student. You will be able to:

- > Tour the campus of your choice (Melbourne, Geelong Waterfront, Geelong Waurn Ponds, Warrnambool).
  - > Find out about university life, including clubs and societies and student services.
  - > Learn about courses
  - > Ask about on campus accommodation
- The tours will run on each Monday and Thursday of the school holidays. To find out more and to register, go to <http://bit.ly/2mHwAJC>

### SCHOOLBOX

Be sure to continue to access schoolbox for all regular updates. All the latest information on Tertiary institutions, upcoming events as well as apprenticeships and traineeships can be found here.

It is also a great place to check out how to write resumes and cover letter information and for Year 10s, all Work Experience information will also be found here.



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## EY Cadetships – applications open

Are you currently in Year 12 and planning to study a degree in one of the following areas at Melbourne in 2019?

Law, Business or Commerce, Information Technology, Information Systems or Computer Science, Other similar courses approved by the EY campus recruiting team

If so, you may be eligible to apply for a cadetship at EY. As a cadet, you will work full time at EY and study your degree part time for two years. You will then complete the third year of the degree full time at university. Applications are now open and will close on the 13th of April. Cadetships are also offered at Sydney. For information and to apply, go to <https://go.ey.com/2sYeqbM>

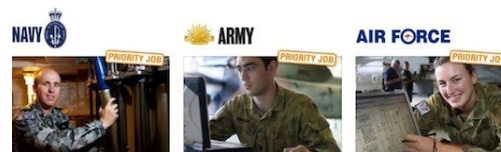
## Open Day at Collarts

Collarts is a private college located at three separate campuses across Melbourne and offering courses in Music Performance, Music Production, Fashion Marketing, Entertainment Management, Entertainment Journalism, Content Creation and Audio Production. The next open day is running on Saturday 12 May. You will be able to attend detailed information sessions on courses, speak to course advisers and current students and tour the campus, <http://bit.ly/2oyTR03>

## Gap Year in the Army, Navy and Air Force

The Australian Defence Force Gap Year program provides an opportunity for young Australians who have finished Year 12 to experience military training and lifestyle whilst gaining new skills and pay over their Gap Year in the Army, Navy or Air Force. You will earn more than \$45,000, have subsidised accommodation and full medical and dental coverage. There are 14 roles available and applications are now open. For more information and to apply, go to <http://bit.ly/1dVvxxV>

Careers in the Defence Force: There are many



occupations in the Defence Force that you may be suited to. Your ability to apply for the occupation of your choice will be effected by your level of education, the subjects you have studied at school, your age, and your gender.

To narrow down which occupations you can apply for, use the Defence Force "Job Finder". You just enter your personal details and select your general career interest areas and a list of jobs will be generated. Go to [www.defencejobs.gov.au/](http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/) You can also watch videos about different occupations and the recruitment process at this link - <http://bit.ly/1vdEGtY>

## Not sure what to study in the future?

The following five industries have the largest predicted employment growth by 2022:

- Health and Social Assistance may rise by 16.1% (enrolled nurse, aged care worker, disability support worker, social worker, health services assistant etc.).
- Education and Training may rise by 12% (early childhood teacher, primary teacher, secondary teacher, education support etc.).
- Accommodation and Food Services may rise by 11.2% (chef, venue management, kitchen hand, food and beverage assistant etc.).
- Building and Construction may rise by 10.9% (carpenter, electrician, plumber, labourer, project manager etc.).
- Rental, hiring and real estate services may rise by 8.5% (real estate agent, property manager, administration, rental manager etc.).

The majority of these occupations require a VET qualification, which may include an apprenticeship, traineeship or TAFE qualification.

## VOCATIONAL & HIGHER EDUCATION NEWS

### What is studying science at Monash Uni like?

Monash has developed a series of videos to enable prospective students to hear from academics and learn about their stories and passions. To access the clips, go to <http://bit.ly/1QBMmdw>

### Short courses RMIT arts/design

RMIT offers short and single courses taught by experienced lecturers and established artists. Courses include photography, drawing, lithography, sculpture, jewellery, casting, and molding etc. RMIT also offer folio preparation courses. For more information, go to <http://bit.ly/2nTkDAJ>

### UMAT Simulation Day

Students in Year 12 interested in applying for medicine, dentistry, or optometry may need to sit the compulsory UMAT examination. National Institute of Education (NIE) will be conducting a UMAT preparation workshop on Thursday 5 April at Victoria University. Students in Years 10 and 11 can also register, but it's important to note they cannot sit the UMAT until they are in Year 12. Spaces are limited. Please register at [www.nie.edu.au](http://www.nie.edu.au)



### Medicine at Monash through virtual reality (VR)

Have you always wanted to visit the Monash campus, but haven't had a chance? Take the opportunity to learn more about Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences at Monash through 360° video. Look over students' shoulders as they work in the labs or attend a lecture. For more information, please visit <http://bit.ly/2IGl8ub>

## Experience a week as a marine biologist



The University of Tasmania is offering the chance for four interstate students to experience a week as a marine biologist at Maria Island. The successful applicants will explore the marine environment on the Island, undertake research tasks, experience what it is like to study at university and receive one credit towards an eligible degree at the University. Entries close on Tuesday 27 February. For information and to apply, go to <http://bit.ly/2rNqQ5u>

## Interested in Engineering?

Engineers Australia has a fantastic Facebook site that students can join. You will be able to keep up to date with developments in Australian and global engineering, conferences and information sessions, and gain ideas about different occupations in engineering, <http://on.fb.me/1ohtelC>

Careers in the automotive industry

Know you want to work in the auto industry, but not sure which occupation would suit you best? The Auto Skills Australia website has information about various automotive occupations. Go to <http://bit.ly/1UXnW1V>

## DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

### MARCH

- 13: Meet Melbourne - Bendigo
- 15: UNSW Medicine Information Evening, Sydney, <http://bit.ly/2Fos10X>
- 17: TVSA Pilot Training Open Day: Bacchus Marsh [www.tvsa.com.au/](http://www.tvsa.com.au/)

### APRIL

- 5: UMAT Preparation Workshop, National Institute of Education, Victoria University, <http://bit.ly/2kPN0LN>
- 5 - 13: Step on Campus, Deakin University, Melbourne, Geelong Waterfront, Geelong Waurn Ponds, and Warrnambool campuses, <http://bit.ly/2mHwAJC>
- 6: Experience Clever, La Trobe University: Melbourne campus, <http://bit.ly/2p07y7b>
- 6: A Day at Melbourne, The University of Melbourne, Parkville campus, <http://bit.ly/2EG1RqT>
- 12: Student for a Day, LCI Melbourne, creative industry courses, <http://bit.ly/2BCpfTB>
- 19 - 26: Inside Monash Seminars, Monash University, <http://bit.ly/2ki2NYw>

### MAY

- 8: Catherine McAuley Careers Night