



## Wyndham Central College Career News

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The Wyndham Central College Career Newsletter will be published fortnightly to keep students informed of events relating to their career pathways. It will include information regarding tertiary pathways – University & TAFE – as well as employment/industry pathways. The Careers Office, in the administration building, is a resource centre for our students with current institutional handbooks and brochures at their disposal. Students are invited to visit, browse and question. An open door policy exists to ensure students make informed decisions about future pathways. Initial Year 12 interviews are currently taking place to assist students with the momentous decisions facing them this year. Parents/guardians are welcome to take advantage of the services provided. Appointments can be made to discuss the future pathways of their children.

### REMINDERS...

- Sunday 17 March – University of Melbourne **Veterinary Science** and Hospital Open Day (Werribee)
- Early April – registrations for the **Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admission Test (UMAT)** open for Monash Medicine and Physiotherapy applicants (and some interstate courses)

### OPEN DAYS...

Universities and TAFE Institutes hold annual Open Days for the public. They are an opportunity to visit, talk to staff and students, collect information and see facilities. As such, they are a great way to assist in deciding where you wish to study once you finish school. They are generally held in term 3, but many of the dates are supplied here so you can get them in your diary and make your visits a priority. Year 10 or 11 is a great time to start your visits. Year 12 is not too late....

#### OPEN DAY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (10am – 4pm):

- Saturday 3 August – **Monash** University (Berwick, Gippsland, Parkville, Peninsula campuses)
- Sunday 4 August – **Deakin** University (Warrnambool); **Monash** University (Caulfield, Clayton); **Swinburne** (University & TAFE) (Hawthorn)
- Sunday 11 August – **Australian Catholic University** (Melbourne); **Deakin** (Geelong); **RMIT** (University and TAFE)
- Sunday 18 August – **La Trobe** University (Bendigo); **Melbourne** University (Parkville & Southbank - VCA);
- Sunday 25 August – **ACU** (Ballarat); **Ballarat** University; **Box Hill Institute**; **Deakin** (Burwood); **La Trobe** (Bundoora); **Victoria** University; **William Angliss** Institute
- Sunday 1 September – **La Trobe** (Albury/Wodonga)

Note : Holmesglen has an Open Day every third Wednesday of the month; visit on your way home from school or during the day. See [www.holmesglen.edu.au/showcase/events/open\\_wednesdays](http://www.holmesglen.edu.au/showcase/events/open_wednesdays)



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### OPEN DAY FOR VETERINARY SCIENCE...

The University of Melbourne's Veterinary Science and Hospital has its' annual Open Day from 10am to 3pm, Sunday 17 March.

**Where:** 250 Princes Hwy, Werribee

**Information:** [www.vet.unimelb.edu.au/openday](http://www.vet.unimelb.edu.au/openday).

Step behind the scenes at the veterinary hospital and tour the facilities; discover a range of animals, attend lectures and see displays; speak to staff and students.

Course and career advice will be available throughout the day.

Prospective students and parents will learn about the **Doctor of Veterinary Medicine** graduate program.

Veterinary and community groups will provide information on pet care and other special interests.

### EXPLORE COURSES AND CAREERS AT RMIT...

Back by popular demand in 2013, is a range of '**Experience Day**' holiday programs for Year 10-12 students. Get a hands-on and interactive experience of courses on offer at RMIT, and find out about careers in **accounting, engineering, fashion, justice, medical sciences, media, advertising, environment, IT, and art and design.**

To register interest and to be notified when events are on go to: [www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays](http://www.rmit.edu.au/experiencedays).

### WANT A HEAD START IN FINDING YOUR IDEAL COURSE?

Explore your options early by attending the '**At Monash Seminars**' to hear from current students, graduates and staff. Gain an overview of the university experience, courses, and careers.

**What, when and where?**

- **Arts** (Humanities and social sciences): Tuesday 5 March (Caulfield campus), Wednesday 22 May (Clayton)
- **Architecture and Interior Architecture:** Wednesday 6 March (Caulfield)
- **Nursing, Midwifery and Emergency Health:** Thursday 7 March (Peninsula)
- **Business & Economics:** Wednesday 13 March (Clayton)
- **Science:** Thursday 14 March (Clayton)
- **Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy:** Tuesday 19 March (Peninsula)
- **Information Technology:** Wednesday 20 March (Caulfield)
- **Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences:** Thursday 21 March (Parkville)
- **Design and Fine Art:** Wednesday 17 April (Caulfield)
- **Psychology:** Thursday 18 April (Clayton)
- **Law:** Wednesday 1 May (Clayton)
- **Health Science and Social Work:** Tuesday 7 May (Caulfield)
- **Teaching, Sport and Outdoor Recreation:** Wednesday 8 May (Peninsula), Thursday 27 June (Clayton)
- **Medicine:** Monday 13 May (Clayton)
- **Education and Nursing:** Tuesday 21 May (Berwick)
- **Biomedical Science, Radiography, and Nutrition and Dietetics:** Wednesday 29 May (Clayton)
- **Engineering:** Thursday 30 May (Clayton)



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- **Performing Arts and Music:** Tuesday 20 August (Clayton)

**All seminars: 6.30-8.00pm**

**Information/registration (essential):** call 1800 MONASH or [www.monash.edu/seminars](http://www.monash.edu/seminars).

**Places are limited.**

### **WANT ADVICE FROM SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY OR TAFE?**

Appointments are now available for secondary students throughout the year. You can book a time that suits you to meet a course advisor face to face, receive course advice, ask questions and receive application assistance.

**Information:** [www.swinburne.edu.au/study-at-swinburne/events/](http://www.swinburne.edu.au/study-at-swinburne/events/)

### **ENGINEERS CAREERS EXPO...**

Engineers Australia has an Expo providing interactive workshops, over 80 exhibitors, presentations and advice from leaders in the engineering profession.

**When:** 11am-7pm, Thursday 21 March

**Where:** Etihad stadium

**Information:** [www.engineeringexpo.org.au](http://www.engineeringexpo.org.au)

OR: Call Sarah on 9321 1703, [scooke@engineersaustralia.org.au](mailto:scooke@engineersaustralia.org.au).

### **ANOTHER CAREERS WEBSITE TO CHECK OUT...**

And to add to those from last newsletter is: [www.education.vic.gov.au/victorianskillsgateway](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/victorianskillsgateway).

### **MONASH ARTS LAUNCHES FACEBOOK PAGE...**

This page provides VCE students with a chance to learn about studying at Monash in an environment where you feel at home.

**Features:** current **students** describing experiences; **staff** providing insights into their study areas. 'Liking' the Monash page is a great way to begin to get a feel for university life and to ask questions in a comfortable setting.

**See:** [www.facebook.com/MonashArts](http://www.facebook.com/MonashArts)

### **WHERE CAN I STUDY FASHION?**

Want to study fashion? There are many courses to consider, with **University, TAFE and private providers** offering qualifications.

**RMIT university (City)** offers a 4-year **Bachelor of Design (Fashion)**. Of the 2012 Year 12 students who applied for this course, 63 were offered a place (ie very competitive). Another 41 non-Year 12s were also offered a place. **RMIT TAFE (Brunswick)** also offers the 2-year **Associate Degree in Fashion Design and Technology**, and courses in **fashion merchandising**.



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Many aspiring fashion designers complete a **TAFE course first**, a great way to start your training.

**Box Hill** Institute, The **Gordon** (Geelong), **Holmesglen** (City), **Kangan** (Richmond) and **RMIT TAFE** (Brunswick) offer various diploma courses such as Certificate IV, the diploma and the advanced diploma in **Applied Fashion Design and Technology**.

**Holmesglen** also offers the 3-year **Bachelor of Fashion (Apparel Engineering and Design)**, and **Box Hill** the **Bachelor of Fashion Design**.

Private Colleges: **Whitehouse** Institute of Design (City) offers a 3-year Bachelor of Design (Fashion), **Billy Blue** College of Design (City) offers the 3-year Bachelor of Applied Design (Branded Fashion), **Holmes Institute** (City) offers the Bachelor of Fashion and Business, while the **Australian Academy of Design** (Port Melbourne) offers the Bachelor of Design Arts (Fashion Design). Also on offer is the 1-year Diploma of Costume for Performance at **Swinburne** (wardrobe for film, TV and entertainment).

Application almost invariably includes an **interview and folio presentation**. Therefore, it is essential that you study a VCE subject(s) to help develop a suitable folio as you must be able to demonstrate a suitable level of creativity. Make sure you attend appropriate **Open Days**. Difficult to explain at an interview why you want to study a particular course if you have never been there....

### **BACHELOR OF ENVIRONMENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE...**

At Melbourne University students mostly choose from one of six initial degrees: **arts, biomedicine, commerce, environments, music or science**.

The **Bachelor of Environments** is a unique program, allowing students to shape our world through design, management, planning, advising, construction, research and social change.

Major study areas to choose from: **architecture, civil systems, construction, environmental engineering systems, environmental geographies, politics and cultures, environmental science, geomatics, landscape architecture, property and urban planning and design**.

The degree engages students in interdisciplinary thinking from the start, and leads to a variety of career outcomes.

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