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PATHWAYS INTERVIEWS/PROGRAMS...

The initial Year 12 Pathways Interviews have been completed. Year 12's are now invited to stop by the Careers Centre to follow up on the discussions, research, etc. The VTAC Application Process and Other Pathways Application Process has commenced this term. Information was disseminated via assemblies for both students (on Wednesday 5 August) and parents (on Tuesday evening, 4 August, 7pm in our Auditorium) by Mrs Kathy Karlovic, the Pathways & Transitions Leader.

All Year 12 students have attended the Tertiary Information Service (TIS) Event on Tuesday 14 July, held at Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus. The TIS event is an introduction to the VTAC Application Process followed by a mini tertiary institutional expo.

All Year 9, 10 & 11 students are also invited to stop by the Careers Centre to book a pathways interview, visit the Careers Reference Centre, collect tertiary handbooks/brochures, etc.

The Careers Program, which officially commenced last term for these year levels with an Introductory Careers Assembly, was administered via their CAPs/MIPS classes. A letter was sent home to parents/guardians via students outlining the Careers Program. The purpose of this program for the Year 9, 10 & 11 students was to investigate career pathways and to select the appropriate electives or programs, either VCE or VCAL and subjects to study in Year 11 or 12, if the VCE program is selected. For the Year 11 students it is important for them to confirm that they have selected the correct program/subjects and to make an informed decision as to which subject they will not continue with the following year (in Year 12). Subject Selection Counselling for all Year 9, 10 & 11 students with their parents was held during Careers/Pathways Week on Thursday evening, 23rd July. Letters were sent home advising parents of the details. The Pathways week consisted of a Pathways Expo with an applied and academic focus, a Subject Expo highlighting the programs and subjects on offer at Wyndham Central College for all our Year 9, 10 & 11 students and VCE/VCAL Subject Tasters for our current Year 10 students.

The Careers Centre is open to all students throughout the school day. It is run via interview bookings to ensure students' needs are met. Students may also stop by – an open door policy – for a quick chat, followed by an appointment booking if necessary.

REMINDERS...

Wyndham Central College Events – Term 2 & 3:

- **Tertiary Information Service Event for all Year 12 Students was held on Tuesday 14th July at Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus**
- **SEAS (Special Entry Access Scheme) Year 12 Briefing: Was held on Monday 10th August during session 4**
- **VTAC Student Briefing: Was held on Wednesday 5th August, Session 2**
- **VTAC Parent Briefing: Was held on Tuesday evening, 4th August, 7pm (The Auditorium)**



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Other Events:

Reminders...

- **'AT MONASH' SEMINARS** – Theatre, Performance and Music on 18 August, Science on 27 August, Teaching on 1, 3 & 8 September, Engineering on 17 September
Information/Registration: www.destination.monash.edu/at-monash.
- **PHARMACY OPEN HOUSE** (Parkville) - Sunday 16 August
Information: <http://destination.monash/pharm-open-house>.
- **RMIT SEPTEMBER HOLIDAY SHORT COURSES** – Live Music, Audio Production, Production, Lighting, Photography; Information: 9925 8111, enquiries@rmit.edu.au and www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au.
- **RMIT FLIGHT TRAINING DAY** – at Point Cook.
Meet flight instructors and learn about careers
When: 10am-4pm, Sunday 23 August at RAAF Williams Base, Point Cook.
- **INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN ENGINEERING SUMMER SCHOOL 2016** – for Year 11's and 12's in 2016
Apply by 16 October (School 10 – 16 January 2016)
Information/application: <http://sydney.edu.au/engineering/iaess/>

OPEN DAYS CONTINUE...

- Sunday 16 August – **Melbourne; Monash** (Parkville – Pharmacy); **La Trobe** (Bendigo)
- Sunday 23 August – **Box Hill** Institute; **Deakin** (Burwood); **Victoria** (Footscray)
- Sunday 30 August – **ACU** (Ballarat); **Federation** (Ballarat & Gippsland)

YEAR 12 STUDENTS...

VTAC APPLICATIONS...

Don't forget to make a VTAC course application if you plan to study next year.

Applications are now open, and close for timely applicants on 30 September (cost \$29.00).

If you apply after this date the cost rises considerably.

Remember that you can change your application as many times as you wish at no extra charge, so you don't have to get it 'right' the first time you apply.

See: www.vtac.edu.au.

You will need to **register** as an applicant first; after that you can **apply** using the **ID number VTAC supplies** you with when you register.

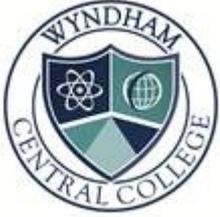
Also apply if you plan to take a year off from study in 2016. You are able to **defer taking up the offer** of your place for a year in many cases.

You can apply for up to 12 courses, placing them in the order you most want them.

You will be offered a place in the highest course in your list for which you meet the requirements (eg ATAR).

NOTE: If you wish to apply for **some Fine Arts specialisations** at the **University of Melbourne (VCA)**, applications close early (**28 August**).

They are: **animation, dance, film and television and screenwriting.**



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SPECIAL ENTRY ACCESS SCHEMES (SEAS)...

Many institutions offer alternative entry schemes that take into account short and long-term disadvantage. **The Special Entry Access Schemes (SEAS)** allow selection officers to grant special consideration for course entry to applicants (you must still complete any selection requirements for the course). These are the four categories:

- 1 – **Personal information and location** (all applicants are encouraged to apply for this Category as something in this category may apply to you)
- 2 – **Difficult circumstances**
- 3 – **Disadvantaged financial background**
- 4 – **Disability or medical condition**

NOTE: It is only possible to complete a SEAS application once you have completed a VTAC course application. There is a summary of institutions accepting SEAS categories on page 42 of the VTAC Guide. In many cases you will have to provide evidence for your application for SEAS. The emphasis is on how you believe the matter you refer to in your SEAS application affected your results.

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE NEWS...

WHICH DEGREE OFFERS MULTIPLE JOB OPPORTUNITES?

Would you like a career that contributes to the **national economy, where productivity growth is booming more than in any other industry sector?**

The University of Melbourne has consulted widely with industry, employers and graduates to develop the **new Bachelor of Agriculture.**

Be empowered with **general, technical and problem-solving skills to work in this growth area.** You will study **soil science, plant science and animal care,** and learn to work in teams to improve **animal production and welfare** through to **addressing climate change and food sustainability.**

There are MANY career opportunities available for graduates, and positions are often difficult to fill due to a shortage of applicants.

NOTE: the B. Agriculture is a possible pathway into studying **veterinary science** at the University of Melbourne.

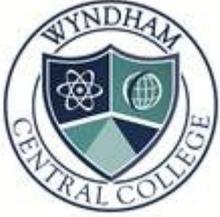
Information: <http://fvas.unimelb.edu.au>.

ELITE ATHLETES AND ARTISTIC PERFORMERS...

The university encourages international, national and state representation in sports and artistic performance and recognises the impact that training and participation may have on the ability to achieve admission into degrees.

The Elite Athlete and Artistic Performers Entry Scheme provides for additional consideration to be given for entry into degrees by elite athletes and artistic performers who **meet the prerequisites** of the course and **can demonstrate** that their training, competition, performance and/or practice commitments have interfered with their previous studies.

Students interested in applying for this scheme must apply for their degree **through VTAC** in the usual way, and go to: <http://futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au>, then to **Admissions and Applications** and to **High Achievers Programs.**



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MUSIC AT MELBOURNE...

Melbourne Conservatorium of Music (MCM) has the most comprehensive range of music courses in Australia, an offering enhanced next year by new specialisations as part of the Bachelor of Music.

Students can already choose to specialise in Music Performance, Composition and Musicology/Ethnomusicology but in 2016 they will have the option of Jazz & Improvisation or Interactive Composition as two new specialisations. These two specialisations currently sit within the BFA (Contemporary Music) at the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA) but will move across to the MCM.

Learn more: <http://mcm.unimelb.edu.au>.

OPEN DAY AT BURNLEY CAMPUS...

Find out about **horticultural courses** (accredited and non-award), and learn about sustainable gardening and horticultural practice at Melbourne's Burnley campus.

When: 10am-4pm, Saturday 5 September

Information: <http://events.unimelb.edu.au/events/2332-burnley-open-day>.

NEW BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING AT LA TROBE UNIVERSITY...

La Trobe is introducing an innovative new Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree in 2016.

Designed to meet the **changing needs of industry** and to **boost graduates' job prospects**, the new degree is unique in Australia and follows international trends offering:

- **Multidisciplinary focus** covering robotics, electrical, manufacturing and mechanical engineering
- **Two common years**, followed by the choice of **multidisciplinary** engineering or **civil** engineering streams
- Engineering-specific **business units** – focus on developing commercially-minded engineers
- **Design units** – focus on developing engineers who have a holistic view of engineering projects and project management
- Six months **Work Integrated Learning placement** opportunity embedded into the degree, supported by a \$10,000 scholarship – guaranteed for students at the Bendigo campus with limited places available for Melbourne (Bundoora) students.

Graduates will be prepared for new roles in emerging industries, will be well positioned for roles as engineers, project managers and engineering consultants in manufacturing, resources, infrastructure development, healthcare, consulting, and the government sector.

TAKE A TOUR OF VICTORIA UNIVERSITY (VU) BY VIDEO...

Go on **virtual tours** of VU's Footscray, Flinders St, Queen St, St Albans and Sunshine campuses, completed using Steadicam and drone technology; soar over Flemington Racecourse and Footscray Park, see a **sport science lab** in action, take a seat in a **live moot court**, step inside a **construction site**, explore an **anatomy lab** and more.

See it on the Victoria University YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/VictoriaUniversity



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AUTOMOTIVE MODERN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM...

Vantage Automotive P/L is a provider of government funded vocational learning and outsourced services to major vehicle manufacturers with an extensive client list across Australia. Applications are now being sought from students interested in the motor industry as an automotive technician or parts advisor.

For information: www.vantageautomotive.com or email reception@vantageautomotive.com

Phone (02) 8014 8990.

Successful applicants will be offered employment at a dealership close to their home.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CIRCUS ARTS (NICA)...

NICA is accepting applications for auditions for its accredited courses for 2016.

These are: [Bachelor of Circus Arts](#), [Certificate IV in Circus Arts](#) and [Certificate III in Circus Arts](#).

More details: <http://www.nica.com.au/>.

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