



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 Centre, in the Monash 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. VTAC and Course selection has begun for all our Year 12 students following VTAC information assemblies and Parent Information Nights. Year 10 Pathways Meetings with a qualified Careers Practitioner have concluded. The Year 11 Pathways Meetings will continue next term. Parents/guardians are welcome to take advantage of the services provided. Appointments can be made to discuss the future pathways of their children. The Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 Careers Programs will conclude soon, implemented during tutor time and assisting our students with their elective/subject/program choices. Letters went out early this term outlining the program.

Important Dates

VTAC Applications are now open – timely applications close - 29th September

SEAS applications close – 7 October

ATARs released – 12th December

Change of preferences close – 14th December

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Breaking news!

The Victorian Government recently announced a new scholarship scheme for students starting undergraduate degrees in nursing or midwifery in 2023 or 2024. Information - www.premier.vic.gov.au

Also check out the following scholarship!

ACN Aged Care Scholarships – TAFE & Undergraduate Nursing

For students applying for a TAFE or university level nursing course and have a commitment to aged care, www.acn.edu.au/scholarships

Year 12 Revision Lectures

Australian Catholic University (ACU)



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ACU are running free Year 12 VCE and HSC Revision Webinars in September in a wide range of subjects.

Register via

www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/events

Tertiary applications

Year 12 students can download the

following resources from <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

- Early entry programs – Victoria, NSW and Canberra
- How to apply for courses via Tertiary Admissions Centres for Victoria, NSW and Canberra
- Scholarships guide
- Accommodation guide
- Open day calendar – Tasmania, NSW and Canberra.

Year 12 events

Get help with the VTAC application process

The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) process course applications on behalf of most tertiary institutes in Victoria. VTAC staff are running the following live webinars to assist students and families with applications:

- 12 September: Applying for courses
- 13 September: understanding special consideration (SEAS) & scholarships.

To register for an upcoming session, visit <https://www.vtac.edu.au/events>

Get help with the UAC application process

The Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) process course applications on behalf of most tertiary institutes in NSW and Canberra. UAC staff are running a series of live webinars to assist students and families with applications. Register for an upcoming session,

www.uac.edu.au/schools/uac-digital



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Swinburne University of Technology

Swinburne is running the following initiatives to assist Year 12 and families with the VTAC application process:

1 – 29 September: book a one-to-one course application and course consultation.

Tuesday 6 September: VTAC info for parents – live webinar.

Information and registration via <https://bit.ly/3QNq1Ah>

Employment

Applications for the Australian Government Human Resource (HR) School Leaver Program close 5 September 2022. Year 12 students are invited to kickstart their HR career in one of the participating Australian Government Departments and Agencies. You will complete a Certificate IV in Human Resources over a 12-month period and earn money. This is a fantastic opportunity, <https://bit.ly/3R7VYE8>

Reminders for tertiary applications

Applying for courses via Tertiary Admission Centres (TACs)

Once you've completed your course application, check the inbox in your TAC account for information on additional selection requirements for your preferences. It's crucial you complete these requirements by the due dates otherwise you risk being ineligible for entry into the course.

Examples of additional requirements include:

Nursing and Midwifery

- **Selection tests such as CASPer and the Basic Key Skills Builder Test.**
- **English proficiency declaration form.**

Undergraduate teaching



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- Selection tests such as CASPer
- ACU Teacher Selector Statement
- Teaching questionnaire

Design, acting, music, dance, fine arts, film etc.

- Audition
- Interview
- Folio
- Selection kit

Medicine, dentistry

- UCAT ANZ
- Interview
- Proof of rurality
- Direct applications to the institutes.

Other

- VTAC Personal Form
- Bridging subjects

University – Regional Access Schemes

Some universities offer access schemes for regional students for specific courses. The following are two examples:

Deakin University

Regional and Remote Entry Scheme

Regional students can choose to apply for the Regional and Remote Entry Scheme for the following study areas:



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Exercise and Sport Science

Nutrition Science

Medical Imaging

Optometry

Social Work

List the course in your VTAC preferences with the regional entry tag, www.deakin.edu.au

La Trobe University

Regional Specific VTAC courses: regional students can choose to apply for the Regional Entry scheme for the following courses:

Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours)

Bachelor of Oral Health

Bachelor of Nursing/Bachelor of Midwifery

Bachelor of Dental Science

List the course in your VTAC preferences with the regional entry tag.

Campus tours

Missed Open Days? The following are examples of universities running campus tours for prospective students and families in September.

La Trobe University

19 – 21: Melbourne campus.

19 – 22: Bendigo Campus Talk and Tour.

Register via www.latrobe.edu.au/events

Deakin University

20 – 29: all campuses. Register via <https://bit.ly/3w4hpyr>



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RMIT University

22: A Day at RMIT, Melbourne campus, <https://bit.ly/3ea1g3x>

Monash University

26 – 29: all campuses. Register via www.monash.edu/discover

8 October: Science Precinct Tour, Clayton campus, <https://bit.ly/3KB1pJ7>

Missed open days?

Don't stress! The following universities recorded their sessions so you can watch them on demand from the comfort of home:

Victoria University: watch recorded sessions via <https://study.vu.edu.au/open-day-2022>

Deakin University: watch recorded sessions on demand from the virtual open day in June via <https://openday.deakin.edu.au/>

RMIT University: on demand sessions are only available for a limited time, <https://openday.rmit.edu.au/>

ALL STUDENTS

Careers in Construction

Scholarships available from the Master
Builders Victoria Foundation

If you're thinking of undertaking a pre-apprenticeship, apprenticeship, TAFE or university study, there are scholarships available to provide financial assistance. Courses include:

Building and Construction



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Building Surveying
Construction Management
Project Management
Design
Engineering

Scholarships are worth up to \$10,000, www.mbav.com.au

The New-Print of Construction

Year13 has teamed up with Construction Skills Queensland to show you what's available in the industry, what it takes to make a career of it, and what the future could hold for you. You can complete 5 modules that will prepare you for the industry:

Skills of the industry
Working in construction
Making it happen
Gearing up for the job
Breaking new ground.

Complete the modules via <https://year13.com.au/academy/csq>

Would you like to become a psychologist?

What does a psychologist do?

"Psychologists ... investigate, assess and provide treatment and counselling to foster optimal personal, social, educational and occupational adjustment and development."

Read about the following on the Labour Markets Insights page:

Tasks and duties
Future employment growth
Weekly earnings

<https://labourmarketinsights.gov.au/>



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How do I become a psychologist?

The pathway to registration as a psychologist is complex and needs to be carefully planned in partnership with your career adviser. It will take at least 6-years to gain your general registration, and further study to specialise.

To view a visual map of the pathways, please check out the Australian Psychology Accreditation Council website, <https://psychologycouncil.org.au/>

What can I specialise in?

Specialisations are called 'Areas of Practice Endorsement'. They include:

- Clinical
- Forensic
- Educational and Developmental
- Counselling
- Organisational
- Community
- Health
- Sport and Exercise
- Clinical Neuropsychology.

Careers in psychology

Deakin University has developed an excellent website showcasing different careers in psychology, <https://psychologycareers.org.au/>

Is psychology for me?

Speak to your career adviser to explore this important question and to assess other options such as social work, youth work, counselling, human resource management etc.

Interested in engineering?



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The following are examples of amazing engineering programs

Charles Sturt University

Charles Sturt University (CSU) offers an innovative civil and structural engineering program like no other in Australia or the world.

Forget studying semester-long subjects, taking exams, or listening to long lectures. Through the CSU 'Topic Tree' model, students study bite-sized content, and skills and knowledge on demand.

The engineering program is offered at the Bathurst campus (NSW) and students complete four-years of paid work placement and graduate with a Bachelor and Master level qualification,

www.csu.edu.au/engineering

Swinburne University

Swinburne offers the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Professional) degree. This amazing program guarantees 12-months of paid industry experience. Whilst most engineering degrees offer 12-weeks of non-paid industry placement, this degree is an attractive alternative and will increase graduate employment prospects in a competitive market, www.swinburne.edu.au

Victoria University

Victoria University offers engineering degrees in Civil, Architectural, Mechanical and Electrical & Electronic. They have a unique learning and teaching model called the 'VU Block Model' and are the first Australian university to offer this. Students study their subjects consecutively (one at a time) instead of concurrently (like you do in the VCE), www.vu.edu.au

UNSW

UNSW offers the amazing co-op program. Recipients are awarded a large scholarship (around \$20,000 per annum) and complete industry placements, leadership training, networking, and professional development. The program is highly competitive and applications close 30 September,

www.coop.unsw.edu.au

Engineering your future



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Year13 has partnered with Engineers Australia to create a fantastic program for students keen to explore careers in engineering.

“Engineering is all about blending science, creativity and problem solving to design the world around us. We’ve teamed up with Engineers Australia to show you what it’s really like being an engineer, how to get started, and what sorts of exciting projects you could be working on in the future. Let’s get started!”

The modules include:

**Designing our future
Customise your career
The building blocks
Getting into gear**

To start the modules, go to <https://year13.com.au/academy>

Start your own business!

Project Z have an e-book for young people called Launchpad. It’s for young entrepreneurs who would like to start their own business now or in the future. For information visit www.projectgenzshop.com

Careers in medicine

Monash University has started a new podcast called ‘Doctor What? Doctor Where? Stories of Rural Medicine in Victoria’. The podcast features interviews with doctors working in rural areas studying a variety of medicine specialisations, <https://apple.co/3TFH35U>

The University of Melbourne

Residential College Access Scholarship Package

Year 12 students planning to live in College accommodation next year at the University of Melbourne may be eligible for a scholarship. Eligible Indigenous students and/or regional students from a disadvantaged financial background will receive a \$10,000 colleges scholarship together with a



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Melbourne Access Scholarship of up to \$7,500. Applications close in October,
www.colleges.unimelb.edu.au

Apprenticeships & Traineeships

4 steps to finding an apprenticeship or traineeship

Australian Apprenticeships Pathways has developed a fantastic 4-step process for students to follow when seeking an apprenticeship or traineeship, <http://bit.ly/39yUYmQ>

Australian Apprenticeships Pathways (AAP)

This website contains fantastic resources for young people interested in pursuing a professional trade or traineeship. Some of the resources include:

- Job and training descriptions
- Career interest explorer
- Job pathway charts
- Information on apprenticeships and school-based apprenticeships
- Literacy and numeracy quizzes for different industries such as carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and hairdressing.

To explore the website, go to www.aapathways.com.au

RMIT University - Tech and Trades Experience Day

This event is for Year 10 – 12 students who are keen to explore tech and trade courses. You will undertake hands-on workshops, tour the facilities, and get course advice. The event is being held on 28 September at the Melbourne campus, <https://bit.ly/3R9wpCD>

Compare university courses and institutions

The Good Universities Guide ratings



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These rankings explore university characteristics, student experience and graduate outcomes. Check them out on The Good Universities Guide website - filter by state, study level and subject area, www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au

Dates for your diary

Endeavour College of Natural Health – Future of Wellness

Endeavour offers courses in the following study areas:

Naturopathy

Nutritional and Dietetic Medicine

Acupuncture Therapies

Chinese Medicine

Complimentary Medicine

The College is running virtual information sessions between 1 – 30 September for prospective students who are interested in natural health careers.

Information and registration, www.endeavour.edu.au/events/

Biomedical Research Summer School

Regional Victorian Year 11 students are invited to apply for The Holsworth Biomedical Research Initiative Summer School at La Trobe University. The event will be held between 12 – 14 December at the Bendigo campus. La Trobe will provide two nights' accommodation on campus, all meals catered, and return transport to Bendigo from regional hometowns, www.latrobe.edu.au

Business Camp

The ASE Group are running an inspirational 3-day camp for young people (7 – 15 years) who are interested in exploring the world of entrepreneurship and starting their own business. It will run at the Swinburne University Hawthorn campus between 26 – 28 September. There is a cost for the camp. For information and to register, visit www.ase.edu.au/businesscamp

Teen Circus Holiday Program



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The National Institute of Circus Arts are running a circus program for young people aged between 13 – 17 years at Prahran, Victoria. The program costs \$55 and runs for 2.5 hours, <https://www.nica.com.au/>

The University of Melbourne

Discover Melbourne at Dookie

Prospective students and their families are invited to attend an information session at The University of Melbourne Dookie campus. Participants will learn about undergraduate study options at Melbourne including course information and application advice. There will also be tours of the campus on the day and the chance to hear from alumni and others. The event will be held on 11 September, <https://study.unimelb.edu.au/discover-melbourne-dookie>

Whitehouse Institute of Design, Illustration & Portfolio Workshop

This introductory 1-hour workshop is for aspiring designers and recommended as a starting point for those wishing to develop their illustration skills and learn how to create a portfolio for application to the Bachelor of Design program. The event will be held on Saturday 10 September between 11am – 12pm at the Melbourne campus. Register via <https://whitehouse-design.edu.au/>

RMIT University

Are you excited about next year? Not quite sure what to expect? Tertiary education can be quite different to high school, so it's important to be prepared for the journey that is to come. Whether you are a student or a parent, we aim to prepare you for this change and eliminate any uncertainties you may have.

Register online for any of the following sessions running in September:

13: Regional students and parents (virtual session)

15: Parents (virtual session)



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The Great Entrepreneurial Challenge

The Monash Business School invites Year 10 and 11 students to participate in this amazing shark tank style program on Tuesday 20 September at the Caulfield campus. Organise a team of 6, or be paired up with students on the day. Places are limited so register ASAP, www.monash.edu/business/events

Experience Days – Art, Design & Architecture

There are two experience days running at Monash for students interested in exploring courses in fine art, art history and curatorship, design or architecture. The events are running on 27 and 28 September at the Caulfield campus, www.monash.edu/mada/events

Spring into Monash: Indigenous Camp 2022

This camp will provide Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students from Yrs 10 to 12 with an insight into university life and an opportunity to connect with youth from across the country. The camp will run between 25 – 28 September, www.monash.edu/indigenous-australians/study/spring-camp

Take CTRL: IT Bootcamp

Monash University is running an IT bootcamp for students in Years 10 – 12 on Tuesday 27 September at the Caulfield campus. The bootcamp will enable you to be in the driver's seat for interactive workshops, hacking demonstrations and robot interactions. You will learn alongside current students and academics to explore Monash IT, www.monash.edu/it/events/2022/take-ctrl



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