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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. Appointments can be made to discuss the future pathways of their children.

IMPORTANT DATES – Year 12 STUDENTS:

- Closing date for change of address and payment to receive ATAR statement by mail: Wednesday 6 December (5pm)
- VCE results and ATAR scores will be available online from Monday 11th December 2023 at 7am.
- Results Counselling with the Pathways Team in the Careers Centre – Monday 11th December from 10am – 2pm
- Change of preference close – 14th December
- VCE results and ATAR scores (the paper documents) should be in the post within 10 business days.
- December Offer Round: Offers Released Thursday 21 December 2023 (VTAC account 2pm)
- January Offer Round: Offers released Friday 12th January 2023 (VTAC Account 2pm)
- The Careers Team would like to take this opportunity to wish each Year 12 Student the best of luck in all their future endeavours.

Year 12 Morning Tea:

All Year 12 students are invited to a morning tea in the Careers Centre on Monday 11th December from 10am till 12:30 pm.

This will assist students to wind down after the rigours of Year 12, to discuss their results, change preferences and pathway options and make an appointment to see Ms Sirigusano.

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

TERTIARY APPLICATIONS – IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Please see the last Career Newsletter for important information about:

- Accommodation
- Additional selection criteria such as tests for initial teacher education courses



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- Elite athlete and performer programs

Early Entry

Congratulations to all students who have received an early entry offer or offers. There are a few early entry programs still open. The following are examples:

CQUniversity

Principal's Recommendation Scheme

Victorian, NSW, and QLD courses

Applications close 1 December 2023

www.cqu.edu.au

Federation University

Early Offer Program

Victorian courses

Applications close 1 December 2023

www.federation.edu.au

Deakin University

Regional Access Scheme

Victorian courses

Applications close 4pm, 13 December 2023

www.deakin.edu.au

Torrens University

Early Entry Program

NSW, QLD and SA courses

Applications close – TBC

www.torrens.edu.au

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships closing soon

Australian Property and Research Fund, Rural and Regional Education Scholarship.



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The scholarship fund spans the duration of an Australian Property Institute (API) accredited property valuation degree, totalling a maximum term of 3-years, awarded yearly at \$10,000. The fund supports the awardee to relocate to a university of their choosing and assists with payment of books and materials as well as tuition. Together with financial support, the awardee of the scholarship will also be supported by a senior API-certified property professional who will act as a mentor during their studies.

Applications close 30 October 2023

www.api.org.au

Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust (AVCAT)

AVCAT scholarships include Long Tan Bursaries and sponsored scholarships. Sponsored scholarships are for the children and grandchildren of ex-serving veterans. Long Tan Bursaries are for the children and grandchildren of Vietnam Veterans and are available in each state and territory.

Applications close 31 October 2023

<https://avcat.org.au/>

Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS): Donald E Napier Scholarships

AIQS offers a number of scholarships each year for Year 12 students who qualify for entry into a Quantity Surveying, Construction Economics, Construction Management (Economics) or other appropriate course at an AIQS accredited university in Australia.

Applications close 31 October 2023 www.aiqs.com.au

Australian Catholic University (ACU) - Scholarships Seminar

Participate in an information webinar on 22 November and learn about scholarships at ACU,

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

Resource

For a list of examples of 'external' tertiary scholarships, visit <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

TERTIARY DATES: VICTORIA

Download early entry and VTAC guides via <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

October

Applications close for

20 Monash University – Elite Student Athlete and



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- Performer Entry Scheme.
- 30 Scholarship – Australian Property and Research Fund, Rural and Regional Education Scholarship.
- 31 RMIT University – Elite Athlete Program (apply by 31 October to be eligible for ATAR adjustments).
- 31 Scholarship - Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust
- 31 Scholarship – Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors

November

- Applications close for
- 19 La Trobe University - Elite Athlete Adjustment Factor Application.
- 21 Australian Catholic University – Elite Athlete and Performer Program.
- 29 Deakin University – Elite Athlete and Performers Adjustment Scheme.

December

- Applications close for
- 1 The University of Melbourne, Elite Athletes and Artistic Performers Scheme.
- 1 CQUniversity – Principal's Recommendation Scheme
- 1 Federation University – Early Entry
- 13 Deakin University – Regional Access Scheme

VTAC Applications

- 1 Personal Statement applications close
- 11 VCE results and ATAR released
- 13 Last day to finalise course preferences (Vic)



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- students)
- 14 Last day to finalise course preferences (NSW students)
- 21 December round offers released
January offer round 1 released on 12 Jan 2024.

TERTIARY DATES: NSW & ACT

Download early entry and UAC guides via <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

October

- Applications close for
- 30 Scholarship – Australian Property and Research Fund, Rural and Regional Education Scholarship.
- 31 Scholarship - Australian Veterans' Children Assistance Trust
- 31 Scholarship – Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors

November

- University applications – UAC
- 3 Preferences close for Schools Recommendation Scheme
- 10 Offers released for Schools Recommendation Scheme
- 23 Educational Access Scheme - applications close for December Round 2 offers.

December

- Early entry applications close for:
- 1 CQUniversity – Principal's Recommendation Scheme
University applications – UAC
- 8 Equity Scholarships – applications close for



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- 21 December 2 Round of offers.
December Round 2 offers released (main round for Year 12 applicants).

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

Gap Year Program

It not too late to apply for the Gap Year Program. There are still roles open in the Navy, Army and Air Force. The Gap Year program offers students a fantastic opportunity to work for the ADF for 12-months, meet people from all over Australia, develop skills in team work, initiative and leadership, and earn a high wage.

Apply via www.defencejobs.gov.au

RICHMOND INSTITUTE OF SPORT LEADERSHIP

This is a partnership program between Richmond Football Club and Swinburne University. As part of the 12-month program, students will study a dual Diploma in Sports Development and Leadership and Management. The campus is at Melbourne and online courses are available. Prospective students are invited to attend an upcoming Dual Diploma information session:

- Monday 30 October, Richmond Football Club
- Tuesday 31 October, online

To register for the session, visit www.richmondinstitute.com.au

ALL STUDENTS

CAREERS WITH STEM

Exciting STEM Job Kits

Have you explored the exciting range of Job Kits developed by Careers with STEM? The kits are free downloadable 8-page e-mags which offer a complete introduction to individual STEM careers.

You will discover what a specific STEM job is all about, meet real people working in that job and find out what you can do right now to set your career on the right path. From software developer to STEM educator, Careers with STEM have 27 Job Kits ready for you to download. Happy career planning! Visit:

<https://careerswithstem.com.au/>

MUSIC CAREERS GUIDE



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The Australian Institute of Music (AIM) has developed a career guide for people passionate about pursuing a career in the music industry. The guide features over 75 occupations!

You can access the guide via <https://aim.edu.au/aim-music-careers-guide/>

Check out music courses at AIM and register to participate in an upcoming experience day at the Melbourne campus.

Visit: <https://aim.edu.au/>

VICTORIA POLICE – CAREERS GUIDE

Victoria Police has released an amazing guide called 'Navigating Your Path to a Career with Victoria Police'. In the guide you will find:

- An introduction to the Police Officer role and the amazing career pathways available
- Interactive eligibility and suitability test
- Video interviews of some of our police officers, who talk about their policing careers so far.
- Tips and guidelines on how to navigate the application process.

There are many career opportunities in Victoria Police and there's no limit to what you can achieve!

Download the guide via <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP PEOPLE WITH EYE DISORDERS?

You may like to study Orthoptics

These allied health professionals play a crucial role in the early detection and treatment of eye diseases in children and adults. They can specialise in areas such as the following:

- Children's vision/paediatrics
- Eye movement disorders
- Low vision care/rehabilitation
- Cataract care and retinal disorders
- Neurological vision disorders
- Laser eye surgery and corneal conditions
- Driver vision and sports vision

You can study orthoptics at La Trobe University, Melbourne. For key information about this occupation, visit the Orthoptics Australia website, www.orthoptics.org.au/

You may also like to consider Optometry

Often the optometrist is first point of contact for people and they can make referrals to orthoptists. They



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are health care professionals who can diagnose eye diseases, detect changes in the visual system and prescribe corrective lenses.

In Victoria you can study optometry at Deakin University and The University of Melbourne.

For key information about this occupation, visit the Optometry Australia website

<https://bit.ly/3iOYSeV>

Download a course guide for Orthoptics and Optometry via <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

SUMMER JOBS

The holiday season is almost upon us and for young people that means Christmas casual jobs! Due to the increase in business, many organisations employ casuals to make up the shortfall in their staff. This is great news for young people as it's the perfect time to apply for your first job, or even have a second one.

Before you start applying for jobs, create a resume or ensure your current one is up to date. The Youth Central website has excellent resume and cover letter templates and tips on interviews,.

Visit: www.youthcentral.vic.gov.au

The following are three organisations that will be employing staff:

Coles

Read about the recruitment process at this link. Here you can create an expression of interest for jobs and indicate whether you will need support through the recruitment process if you have additional needs such as a disability or medical condition,

<https://colescareers.com.au/au/en/our-recruitment-process>

To search and apply for jobs, go to <https://colescareers.com.au/au/> and using the search function look for jobs in your area. If you find one, click apply and follow the steps.

Woolworths Group

Woolworths Group includes companies such as Woolworths supermarkets and Big W. To search for jobs, go to www.wowcareers.com.au and use the search function to look for jobs in your area. If you find one, click apply and follow the steps.

McDonalds

On this webpage, you can research the types of jobs available at Maccas and the recruitment process, <https://careers.mcdonalds.com.au/> Click the 'join our crew' link to search for jobs and start the application process.



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KFC

On this webpage, you can search for jobs and start the application process, <https://careers.kfc.com.au/>
You can also learn about the different jobs available at KFC.

Bakers Delight

On the Bakers Delight careers page, you can search for jobs and also complete an expression of interest profile. You will need to upload your resume and a cover letter when completing the expression of interest form. Select the casual and part time sales assistant roles when using the job search filter, www.bakersdelight.com.au/company/careers

Muffin Break

If you'd like to work for Muffin Break, drop a resume and cover letter into your local store. Ensure you read about the recruitment process on the Muffin Break website so you can prepare what information to place on your cover letter.

Visit: <https://muffinbreak.com.au/careers/>

TRAIN TO BECOME A FLIGHT ATTENDANT

Flight attendants (also known as cabin crew) ensure the check in and out of passengers on domestic and international airlines. They provide exceptional customer service and give clear guidelines to passengers about safety processes. They also provide food and beverage services to passengers and work closely with the pilot/s.

Interesting information about flight attendants in Australia:

74% are female

The average age is 38

There are 8,500 flight attendants employed

51% work full time

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

To become a flight attendant, you don't need formal qualifications, however some workers have completed the Certificate III in Aviation (Cabin Crew).

William Angliss Institute offers the Certificate III in Aviation (Cabin Crew).

To find out about the course, go to www.angliss.edu.au



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Requirements for Flight Attendants:

Search flight attendant jobs on www.seek.com.au to learn about employment requirements for different air carriers.

Common requirements include:

- Excellent health and fitness
- Able to swim 50 meters fully clothed
- Able to reach 180cms on flat feet
- 18 years +
- Security check
- Responsible Service of Alcohol
- First Aid certificate
- Experience in customer service
- Have a passport
- Can work a 24/7 roster

Did you know?

You can work as a cabin crew professional in the Air Force? You can also apply to complete a gap year in the Cabin Crew role.

Information, www.defencejobs.gov.au

STUDY CLIMATE CHANGE

Turn your passion for the environment into a career

The following are examples of three universities that offer excellent undergraduate courses in climate change:

University of Newcastle

Bachelor of Climate Science and Adaptation

www.newcastle.edu.au

University of Technology Sydney

Bachelor of Marine Science and Climate Change

www.uts.edu.au



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La Trobe University

You can study climate change as an open access major in one of several Bachelor degrees, www.latrobe.edu.au

Explore climate change careers by reading this fantastic article written by Louise Meers at Careers With STEM, <https://bit.ly/3g5tAVu>

DO YOU LOVE THE OUTDOORS?

Have you considered studying outdoor education or outdoor recreation? You can study outdoor recreation at TAFE institutes, private providers and via a traineeship at outdoor education centres such as Camp Coolamatong, Victoria and Outward Bound, NSW. You can also study outdoor education and outdoor recreation at university.

The following are examples of courses you can explore:

Victoria University

Footscray Park campus

Bachelor of Outdoor Leadership www.vu.edu.au

La Trobe University

Bendigo campus

Bachelor of Outdoor and Sustainability Education

www.latrobe.edu.au

Federation University

Ballarat and Gippsland campuses:

Bachelor of Outdoor and Environmental Education

<https://study.federation.edu.au/>

INTERESTED IN FORENSIC SCIENCE?

Forensic scientists are the real clue seekers of our world, using their keen eye for detail to crack cases wide open. These ingenious investigators gather evidence like fingerprints, DNA, and bloodstains, all while staying one step ahead of criminals.

Armed with state-of-the-art tools, they unearth hidden truths and piece together the puzzle of crime scenes. When it's time for justice, these experts don their metaphorical white coats and present their findings in court, making sure that the scales of justice are tipped in the right direction.



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But their talents don't stop there! Forensic scientists also venture into the realms of anthropology, toxicology, and digital forensics, where they become the bone of contention, sniff out toxic substances, and crack the code of digital mysteries.

So, for high school students with a knack for science and an appetite for solving riddles, a career in forensic science is the perfect way to leave no stone unturned in the quest for truth and justice.

Afterlife Web Series

Afterlife is a web series that explores what goes on behind the doors at the Victorian Institute of Forensic Medicine and the Coroners Court of Victoria. Join Meshel Laurie and Catherine McClements as they interview Melbourne's real Silent Witness and meet some of Australia's top forensic and legal experts, including:

- forensic pathologists
- anthropologists
- toxicologists
- odontologists
- molecular biologists
- physicians
- coroners

Visit: <https://bit.ly/3Tva3w9>

Forensic Science Careers

Explore careers in forensic science and study pathways at www.vifm.org/about-us/careers/

UPCOMING CAREER EVENTS

SUMMER SCHOOLS

Indigenous Australian Engineering School (IAES) 2024

The IAES will be held at Sydney between 14 – 20 January 2023.

Year 10 – 12 participants will experience:

- a fully sponsored week-long program
- exploration of various engineering fields
- site visits, cultural activities, and more
- networking with industry professionals
- recreational fun on Sydney Harbour.

Applications close 31 October 2023, <https://bit.ly/3QZtLSX>



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University of Melbourne - VCE Summer School

The University of Melbourne will run a two-week summer school in January for students entering Year 12 in 2024. Applications haven't opened yet, but students can read about the program and complete an expression of interest for the program via <https://bit.ly/47RACUg>

Magnify Music Camp

Magnify is an intensive high-level skills camp for high school students between the ages of 14 – 18 who are serious about career success in the field of music. Run by Box Hill Institute, the camp will run between 15 - 20 January 2024. There will be a final concert on Friday night, where students can show off their newfound skills.

Entry is by audition and there are only 30 places.

The cost is \$450, <https://bit.ly/45idxrc>

BUILD YOUR DREAM TECH CAREER

Careers with STEM is running an exciting webinar for students who are passionate about STEM on 1 November at 1pm. In this webinar you'll meet an entrepreneur who has a goal of growing plants on the moon, an ecologist who uses machine learning to protect threatened species and a virtual reality expert who is exploring how gaming and immersive technology is reshaping the way we work and learn.

Register via <https://bit.ly/3ZD1y6F>

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

Interested in a career in the Army, Navy or Air Force?

Check the amazing career information sessions running across the country and online, www.defencejobs.gov.au/events

SANTOS SCIENCE EXPERIENCE

The University of Melbourne is running an exciting 3-day program at the Dookie campus between 29 November – 1 December 2023 for Year 9 and 10 students. Dookie campus is a working farm - a centre of agricultural research and teaching. You will join scientists and agricultural student mentors in hands on activities in the laboratory and paddock investigating real world issues.

There are 8 places left and accommodation is available at an additional cost.

Book your place via www.scienceexperience.com.au

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Are you keen to explore careers in the Victoria Police? An online information session is being run on Thursday 26 October. Students and their families are welcome to attend.

Register for the event via <https://bit.ly/3uBvCOQ>

MONASH UNIVERSITY

Year 10 and 11 students are invited to explore the Peninsula campus on Thursday 23 November. A series of exciting workshops will be run focussed on business, nursing, and health & physical education teaching. Students will participate in two workshops, tour the campus, and have a free lunch.

For information and to register your place, visit <https://bit.ly/46Bpc5Z>

MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

Current Year 11 students who are considering applying for undergraduate medicine and/or dentistry courses in the future may need to sit the Undergraduate Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) in Year 12 for the 2025 intake.

Visit: www.ucat.edu.au

NIE is running a free webinar on 15 November that will cover questions about the test.

Students and their families can register for the webinar via www.nie.edu.au

HOSPITALITY BOOTCAMP

The Gordon, Geelong Campus, is running an exciting 4-day hospitality bootcamp for young people keen to explore a career in hospitality between 20 – 23 November. The program aims to prepare students for the summer season of work through interactive workshops and the completion of short courses such as RSA, espresso coffee basics, food service skills, and point of sale.

For information and to apply for the program, visit www.thegordon.edu.au

OPEN DAYS

Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE)

AIE is a creative media college offering exciting courses in areas such as: Game Art, Game Design, 3D Animation & Film FX, and Filmmaking. The Academy is running an open day on Saturday 18 November at the Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, and Canberra campuses.

Information and registration, https://aie.edu.au/aie_event/open-day/



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Endeavour College of Natural Health

Endeavour offers courses in the following study areas:

Naturopathy

Nutritional and Dietetic Medicine

Acupuncture Therapies

Chinese Medicine

Complimentary Medicine

The College is running a virtual open day on Wednesday 25 October between 9am – 6pm.

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

Apprenticeships & Traineeships

Apprenticeships and Traineeships are a great pathway to career for those not wanting to pursue a University pathway.

There are number of providers available, these include:

- Sarina Russo visit - [SRAS \(jobreadygateway.com.au\)](http://SRAS(jobreadygateway.com.au))
- MEGT visit – [Apprentice and trainee job vacancies | MEGT \(Australia\) Ltd](#)
- VACC visit - [Home | VACC Automotive Apprenticeships \(autoapprenticeships.com.au\)](#)
- GForce visit – [Apprentice and trainee job vacancies | MEGT \(Australia\) Ltd \(gforce.org.au\)](#)
- Westvic Staffing Solutions - [Current Jobs - Westvic Staffing Solutions](#)
- AFL Sportsready – [Jobs Archive – AFL Sportsready](#)

We also have our HeadStart Coordinator, Stephen Soulsby, available in the careers office to discuss commencing an apprenticeship or traineeship whilst completing the Vocational Major (VM).

Stephen is available every Wednesday.

Pathways & Transitions Team

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