

From the Head of Careers



As Term 2 comes to a close, there are many in the school community looking forward to a well-deserved break! But the holidays also offer many opportunities to experience various institutions from TAFE, private providers and universities, add skills to your

studies and just gather more career information that can be used for future planning!

This week's newsletter showcases a number of these opportunities and supplies some interesting information for individual research.

We all want our students to achieve success in whatever they might choose to pursue whilst at school and beyond.

At a recent Career Practitioner's briefing, the question was put to us – "What is the opposite of success?" and the answer might surprise – "to try". Whilst many thought the answer would be "failure", the entrepreneur addressing us, argued that to be successful we need to fail at times in order to be able to explore new, innovative and different ways to achieve what we want; to NOT try would not give us the opportunities to create wonderful new experiences and opportunities.

In the Careers space, the students are always encouraged to step outside their 'comfort zone', however small that step may be – just have 'a try'!

This holiday break might just be the time to try a new experience and 'take that step'!

Mrs Deb Cumming
Head of Careers

VTAC Information Evening



6pm, Wednesday 19 July 2017

Year 9 Centre
St Paul's Anglican Grammar School
Sutton St, Warragul (next to the golf club)

Find out from VTAC representatives how to apply for tertiary courses, scholarships and special consideration. There will also be information about the ATAR, scaling and offers. This presentation will be most useful for Year 12 students and their parents; Year 9-11 students and their parents are also welcome.

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Interested in health, IT and business? You may enjoy a career in health information management. According to La Trobe University, “there is a national workforce shortage in this industry, which means graduates are in high demand. Salaries range from \$50,000 – \$180,000 at senior level”. The course at La Trobe University is called the Bachelor of Health Sciences (Medical Classification)/Bachelor of Health Information Management. Find out more at this link, <http://bit.ly/1Uvhddl>



Why the Bachelor of Arts is a great choice for students: If you love humanities but are not sure what you would like to specifically study, the Bachelor of Arts is a fantastic undergraduate degree. The following videos have been developed by three universities to showcase their Bachelor of Arts programs:

- Australian National University, <http://bit.ly/1UNrrWC>
- Monash University, <http://bit.ly/1trFwDE>
- University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/1XRHDNM>

Mathematics bridging programs: If you are not currently studying Mathematical Methods and require this subject for entry into a course at The University of Melbourne or Swinburne University, the following are bridging programs you can apply to undertake during Year 12 or during a gap year:

- **University of Melbourne:** You can complete the online Probability and Calculus subject offered through the University, <http://bit.ly/1WLldNe>
- **Swinburne University:** There are two separate streams in the MathsLink program – one for students who require Further Mathematics and one for students who require Mathematical Methods,

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Passionate about wildlife conservation? You may like to explore the following courses as examples of what you can study at university:

- Bachelor of Science (Wildlife and Conservation Biology), La Trobe University, <http://bit.ly/242qe30>
- Bachelor of Environmental Science (Wildlife and Conservation Biology), Deakin University, <http://bit.ly/2dzOt9e>

For other vocational and higher education courses, search the Good Universities Guide, <http://bit.ly/1N6a3Pk>

Are you interested in humanities, politics, foreign affairs and law? Have you considered studying security studies? The following are examples of courses you can study:

- **Australian National University:** Bachelor of International Security Studies. Excellent double degrees include Asian Studies, European Studies, International Relations, Political Science, Laws (Honours), and Criminology. You can complete a Diploma of Languages on the side of the degree, <http://bit.ly/2mVTXgg>
- **University of Canberra:** Bachelor of Arts majoring in National Security. Excellent second majors include Justice Studies, Management, Governance and Policy, Politics and International Relations, Law and Society, and Australian Politics and Public Policy. Excellent double degrees include Media and Public Affairs, and Laws, <http://bit.ly/2r9zabf>



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Take a virtual tour of the Federation University

Ballarat campus: Use this link for information on how to take a 360 degree tour of the following areas at the Ballarat campus that includes a general campus tour, Nursing labs, Science and Engineering buildings and the Visual and Performing Arts facilities, <http://bit.ly/2ssWx36>

Upcoming events at UNSW, Sydney:

- Law and Business Information Evening, Thursday 22 June, <http://bit.ly/2rmc1Bs>
- Art and Design Information Evening, Thursday 22 June, <http://bit.ly/2st1LvR>
- Built Environment School Holiday Workshops: Tuesday 4 July – Wednesday 12 July, <http://bit.ly/2sefSF5>

Do you love Maths? The following are exciting career resources from Refraction Media:

- **Posters:** You can download a set of three posters from this link, which showcase Maths careers such as urban planner, architect, optometrist, chemical engineer, foreign exchange trader etc. <http://bit.ly/2r9AB9I>
- **Website:** Careers With Maths website, <http://bit.ly/2tca9FY>
- **E-magazine:** Download the Careers With Maths e-magazine, <http://bit.ly/2IL1DCI> Video of the magazine launch, <http://bit.ly/2rRJETV>

Have you considered pursuing vocational education after school? Research shows that four fifths of parents would prefer their child to go to university after school over vocational education and that many young people and parents don't understand the benefits of vocational education and training (for example TAFE, apprenticeships, traineeships). New research suggests that:

- Nine out of the ten top occupations predicted to have the most jobs growth are in vocational training areas.
- The median full-time income for a vocational education graduate is \$56,000 versus \$54,000 for someone with a bachelor degree.
- Nearly eight in ten vocational education graduates have a job soon after training versus about seven in ten university graduates; and
- More than nine in ten trade apprentices have jobs after finishing training.

You can read the research report at this link, <http://bit.ly/2tbWJRF>

LOCAL UPCOMING EVENTS

Years 10, 11 and 12 VCE Study Skills Days at Federation University

- **Tuesday 4 July** – Gippsland Campus (Churchill)
- **Wednesday 5 July** – Berwick Campus

9:30 am – 2:00 pm at both campuses

This FREE event is designed to support VCE students, providing valuable advice and strategies to help them excel in their studies. Students will hear from experienced guest speakers and Federation University's academics and students.

Topics will include:

- Time Management
- Increasing motivation and avoiding procrastination
- Critical Thinking
- Life as a university student

Students can register to attend and find more information about the event at www.federation.edu.au/VCEstudyskills

19 July VTAC Parent and Student Information Session

St Paul's Anglican Grammar School, Warragul, Miller's Factory Year 9 Centre, 6:00 pm

For parents and students of Year 12 students from all secondary schools in the area.

19 July Year 10 CareerWise parent feedback session

St Paul's Anglican Grammar School, Warragul, Science Centre Lecture Theatre, 7:00 pm

20 July Year 10 CareerWise parent feedback session

St Paul's Anglican Grammar School, Traralgon Traralgon Campus Library, 7:00 pm

7 August Baw Baw Skills Centre Open Day, Warragul

CAREERS IN AGRICULTURE

Agriculture isn't just farming: It is focused on "the entire food chain, managing the environment and minimising the impact of human endeavours on natural resources".

About 50 per cent of all jobs in the agriculture industry are in capital cities. These jobs include environmental management, research, development, agribusiness and education.

The demand for agricultural science graduates is growing. Enrolments in agricultural courses rose between 15 per cent to 20 per cent nationwide in 2014 demonstrating an increased interest in the industry.

There is also an ongoing demand for agricultural science graduates with economics and management training, source, <http://bit.ly/1FGtcP0>

With four jobs for every graduate, one in six jobs in agribusiness and a starting salary on average of \$60,000, studying agriculture is a very attractive option for students, source, <http://bit.ly/Lu8cFR>

Experts are needed in the areas of:

- Sustainable farming practices
- Land management
- Land conservation
- Climate change practices
- Food security
- Agricultural research and policymaking.

Students can specialise in areas such as:

- Economics, marketing
- Animal and plant biotechnology
- Catchment management
- Climate change impacts
- Crop management and production
- Plant and soil science
- Nutrition and feed production
- Sustainable production and consumption
- Water management, and
- Rural business practices.

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Courses: The following are examples of agriculture courses you can study:

- **La Trobe University:** Study Agriculture and Technology, Agricultural Sciences, and Agribusiness, <http://bit.ly/1FGtcP0>
- **University of Melbourne:** Study the Bachelor of Agriculture, <http://bit.ly/1BWdaib>
- **University of Tasmania:** Study Agriculture and Business, Agricultural Science, and Agriculture, <http://bit.ly/1cleoa4>
- **Charles Sturt University:** Study Agriculture, Agricultural Science, Agricultural Business Management, and Ecological Agricultural Systems, <http://bit.ly/1MkDAj6>
- **University of New England:** Study Agribusiness, Agricultural and Resource Economics, Agriculture, Agrifood Systems, Animal Science and Rural Science, <http://bit.ly/1KSotZc>
- **Longerenong College:** Study Agribusiness, Agronomy, Agriculture and Wool classing, <http://bit.ly/2sGcMcT>
- **Marcus Oldham:** Study Agribusiness and Agriculture, <http://bit.ly/1wEGiuc>

Resources:

- Career Harvest, <http://bit.ly/1f0m8jW>
- Agrifood Careers, <http://bit.ly/1MEcG6D>
- Download the Science: Taking you places resource, which has a focus on primary industries, <http://bit.ly/1S6hsh0>
- Rural Skills Australia – Rural Careers Guide, <http://bit.ly/1i2mTt7>

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Are you looking for casual or part-time employment? The following are links to recruitment sites for several major retail companies:

Coles	http://bit.ly/1hWI1WL
KFC	http://bit.ly/1kOrqrJ
Hungry Jacks	http://bit.ly/1qqsbX3
Sportsgirl	http://bit.ly/2sqYScG
Woolworths	http://bit.ly/1oQLN9a
Muffin Break	http://bit.ly/1Q63Sq7
Kmart	http://bit.ly/Rke73r
Target	http://bit.ly/1nJEWJM
Myer	http://bit.ly/2rLRC9o
Red Rooster	http://bit.ly/2tDWL4s
Sussan	http://bit.ly/2lIDT6N
McDonalds	http://bit.ly/1Bmfpeo
Bunnings	http://bit.ly/2rGRvAJ
Donut King	http://bit.ly/2sr71hf
Boost	http://bit.ly/2sh3CCZ

Do you need a Tax File Number (TFN)? If you are planning to get a job or if you would like to study at university or TAFE next year, you will need a TFN. You will need to apply for a TFN – these aren't issued automatically. To start the application process, go to <http://bit.ly/2aLCSjJ>

Need help finding a job? The Youth Central website has excellent resources to assist young people in finding casual and part-time employment. Go to <http://bit.ly/1T6hG57>



JOBS



HOUSING



TRANSPORT



MONEY



RIGHTS

Interested in studying medicine or health? From 2018, Australian National University (ANU), Canberra, will offer a new Bachelor of Health Science. This course will draw on the world-leading strengths of ANU in medical education, biomedical science, population health, psychology, social science and public policy. It will also provide a pathway to medicine, with designated places available specifically for rural and Indigenous students. For information, go to <http://bit.ly/2tE9UKY>

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Course updates at La Trobe University: The following courses are at the Melbourne Campus:

- **Bachelor of Health Sciences** – Two new majors will be added to this existing course: Sports Counselling and Athlete Welfare, and Health Promotion, <http://bit.ly/2rv2yc7>
- **Bachelor of Biomedicine** – This new course will provide pathway options into postgraduate allied health courses such as Physiotherapy, Medicine and Speech Pathology, <http://bit.ly/2rv2yc7>

Applying for a teaching degree to start next year? From 2018, all students will need to achieve a minimum ATAR of 65 to gain access to teaching degrees in Victoria. Some universities will have higher ATAR requirements. From 2019, the minimum ATAR will be 70. The universities you apply to will also have prerequisite study score requirements and some may require you to complete additional online testing.

It is also important to note that you will be required to complete and pass the Literacy and Numeracy Test for Initial Teacher Education Students before you graduate from your Bachelor degree. Some universities will require you to complete this test in the first semester of your course. For information, go to <http://bit.ly/2sG8H8y> and check with the universities you would like to apply to.

Passionate about the environment? From 2018, Deakin will offer the four-year Bachelor of Environmental Engineering (Honours) at the Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus. Environmental engineers develop practical engineering applications that protect our environment. To find out about the new course, go to <http://bit.ly/2rMkvSG>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Interested in creative careers? SAE Qantm is a private college located at several locations across Australia, including Melbourne. The Institute offers courses in animation, gaming, film, graphic design, audio and web design. On Saturday 24 June, SAE will be running a 'Study for a Day' program for prospective students. For information on the venue, cost, details and to register, go to <http://bit.ly/2sh6bVW>

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Portfolio preparation programs: RMIT are running portfolio preparation programs for Year 12 students planning to apply for design courses to start in 2018. Workshops will run for one day and there is a choice of days available between Monday 26 June – Thursday 29 June. For information on cost, workshop, venue and to register your place, go to <http://bit.ly/2plydL7>

Charles Sturt University (CSU): Are running an Allied Health MyDay at the Albury-Wodonga campus on Tuesday 27 June. Students will explore the following courses, tour the labs and hear from lecturers and current students about courses at CSU:

- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Health and Rehabilitation Science
- Podiatric Medicine
- Speech and Language Pathology.

For information and to register your place, go to <http://bit.ly/2kVYa5R>

RMIT Science in the City: *Science in the City* is a specialised tour of RMIT's facilities where students and parents can learn more about the following RMIT single and double degree science programs: Biology, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Food Science, Nanotechnology and Physics. The next tour will be run Thursday 29 June. For information and to register, go to <http://bit.ly/2pWOxnu>

RMIT Medical Laboratory Tours: Students in Years 10 to 12 have the opportunity to go behind the scenes at a medical laboratory in one of Melbourne's major hospitals, including the Royal Children's Hospital and Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre. Students can find out what really happens with blood tests and other areas of pathology, including clinical biochemistry, haematology, blood banking, medical microbiology, virology, and anatomical pathology. Tours will run from 3 July to 7 July. Students will get to see whether a career as a medical scientist might be right for them. Tours are free, but students must register as places are limited, <http://bit.ly/2s41XRa>



UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

- **24: Study for a Day**, SAE Qantm, <http://bit.ly/2sh6bVW>
- **27: Allied Health MyDay**, Charles Sturt University, Albury-Wodonga, <http://bit.ly/2kVYa5R>
- **29: Science in the City**, RMIT, Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2pWOxnu>

JULY

- **3 – 6: RMIT Experience Days**, register ASAP, <http://bit.ly/2qRca05>
- **3 – 7: Medical Laboratory Tours**, RMIT, Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2s41XRa>
- **4: Juris Doctor (JD) Showcase**, University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2s6l3UI>
- **4: Animal and Veterinary Science MyDay**, Charles Sturt University, Wagga Wagga, <http://bit.ly/2kVYa5R>
- **4, 5, 7: VCE Study Skills Day**, Federation University, Gippsland (4), Berwick (5), and Ballarat (7), <http://bit.ly/2s3DKKP>
- **4, 11: Experience Day**, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne (4), Ballarat (11), <http://bit.ly/2pb23CK>
- **4, 5, 6, 7: Experience La Trobe University**, Shepparton (4), Bendigo (5), Melbourne (6), Mildura (7), <http://bit.ly/2p07y7b>
- **4, 6: DeakInspire Days**, Deakin University, Burwood (4), Geelong Waurn Ponds (6), <http://bit.ly/2r0rbh5>
- **6 – 7: Year 11 UniExperience**, University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2tj7u56>
- **7: A Day at Melbourne**, University of Melbourne, <http://bit.ly/2qHYbxk>
- **10 – 14: Career Week**, International College of Hotel Management, Adelaide, <http://bit.ly/2qRmJ3d>