YEAR 12 NEWS

- APPLYING FOR COURSES THROUGH VTAC
  Remember to apply by **5pm 30 September**; if you apply after that, the fee rises from $28 to $93!
  - EXTRA REQUIREMENTS – Don’t forget to check whether the course(s) you apply for through VTAC have any extra requirements such as completing a supplementary form, an information session, a folio presentation, audition or interview. Check dates and requirements today! Failure to meet any of these requirements will result in no offer of a place in 2015.
  - CHANGE OF PREFERENCE (COP) – When you apply for courses through VTAC you are not bound to those preferences. You can change them as much as you like (without extra charge) until 24 October (as long as you first apply by 30 September), then again from 24 November to 22 December. You will receive your ATAR on Mon 15 December, so you have a week after that when you can still change your VTAC preferences.
  - SEAS APPLICATIONS close at 5pm on 7 October, both your online application and all supporting documents lodged at VTAC. All students at CBC should apply by answering yes to Category 1, as this makes you eligible for Access Melbourne and a variety of local bonuses. You can apply for other categories as appropriate. Do not miss out!
  - TAX FILE NUMBER – If you do not already have a Tax File Number (TFN) you need to apply for one now. You will need it when you enrol in a tertiary course in January. Get a form from school!
  - VCE RESULTS AND ATAR SERVICE will be available from 7.00am on Monday 15 December. You can access your VCE results and ATAR via the internet, SMS and/or mail. The SMS service is provided by Salmart Digital. SMS cost $1.10 max. (incl GST). Call 1800 501 083 for help with SMS registration. You can register from 9am on Monday 10 November till midnight on Sunday 14 December.
  - DIPLOMA OF NURSING – This Diploma (also known as Enrolled or Division 2 Nursing) is offered at some TAFEs and also at some private providers. Some of these require a VTAC application (eg Box Hill, Bendigo, Holmesglen, RMIT), while others require a direct application to the TAFE. You may also need to sit the VETASSESS Nursing Test (see [www.vetassess.com.au](http://www.vetassess.com.au)). The Diploma can be a pathway into Division 1 nursing at university (Registered nursing), giving credits towards the degree. You are advised to apply for the Diploma if you think you may not achieve a high enough ATAR for the degree.
  - IGNITED SCHOLARSHIPS AT DEAKIN – Ignited scholarships are designed to attract more female students into non-traditional areas of study and work, such as information technology and engineering. Each scholarship is valued at $5,000 per year. Tell your sisters and friends about this opportunity! For details and selection criteria, see [www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/scholarships-and-awards/ignited](http://www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/scholarships-and-awards/ignited).
  - GUARANTEED ATAR’S AT SWINBURNE – Swinburne has guaranteed ATARs for most degrees. If a student achieves an ATAR equal to or above the guaranteed ATAR, and they’ve listed that course as their highest successful preference through VTAC, their place in that course is guaranteed. See: [http://www.future.swinburne.edu.au/vtac/atar/index.html](http://www.future.swinburne.edu.au/vtac/atar/index.html). Vice-Chancellor’s and Dean’s scholarship programs also have Guaranteed ATARs. Both exempt students from the student contribution of tuition fees. **Students with an ATAR of 95 are eligible for a VC’s scholarship, while students with a 90 ATAR can be awarded a Dean’s scholarship.** Scholarships in some discipline areas may have further selection criteria. [http://www.future.swinburne.edu.au/scholarships/](http://www.future.swinburne.edu.au/scholarships/).
  - INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS – the University of Melbourne is offering 30 minute interviews for international students to talk about study options, VTAC applications, and international support services. When: 2-5pm, every Tuesday and Wednesday from 23 September; [register online](http://www.future.swinburne.edu.au/vtac/ATAR/index.html).

MONASH ART DESIGN & ARCHITECTURE

MADA is holding folio building and foundation workshops for VCE students. Industry professionals and academics will guide you through the activities. **When:** 24 – 26 Sept; **Where:** MADA, Monash, Caulfield campus; **Cost:** $310; **Info:** ph 9903 1517, or email mada@monash.edu or see: [www.monash.edu/mada/workshops](http://www.monash.edu/mada/workshops).

APS PSYCHOLOGY CAREERS SEMINAR

The Melbourne branch of the Australian Psychological Society (APS) is hosting a free careers seminar for aspiring psychologists. The purpose of the event is to offer students an insight into a number of specialist areas of psychological work. **Date:** Saturday 20 September 2014 **Time:** 12noon – 3.00pm (including a BBQ lunch) **Venue:** South 1 Lecture Theatre, Building 64, Monash University, Clayton Any queries can be made to melbapsstudents@gmail.com

YEAR 10 – VCE PREREQUISITE SUBJECTS

Universities sometimes require applicants for courses to study certain VCE subjects at school (prerequisite subjects), in addition to English, to be able to access them. Also, each year universities offer new courses and sometimes cancel current courses. Thus, students in Years 10 and 11 in 2014 are advised to check prerequisites for 2017/2016 in VICTER (Victorian Tertiary Entry Requirements)
at [www.vtas.edu.au/publications](http://www.vtas.edu.au/publications) when selecting their year 11 and 12 subjects, to make sure they have the latest information about courses on offer, and prerequisites.

**NOTE:** Many university degrees have no prerequisites apart from English.

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**SCIENCE AT DEAKIN UNIVERSITY**

Are you considering a career in science, but not sure which area you want to follow? Deakin’s new suite of videos will help you to decide. They showcase the degrees in science, biological science, biomedical science, biomedical science and zoology and animal science from both a student and staff perspective. To view the videos and to get more information, go to Science at [www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/](http://www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/).

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**INFORMATION SESSIONS AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY**

- **BE YOU AT VU** – attend course/career specific workshops and try university and TAFE life.
  - **When:** 30 Sept;
  - **Where:** Footscray Park;
  - **Who:** Year 10-11;
  - **Info:** [www.vu.edu.au/be-you-at-VU](http://www.vu.edu.au/be-you-at-VU)

- **EXPLORE VU INFORMATION SERIES** –
  - **When:** 6.30-8.00pm, now till 25 Sept;
  - **Where:** VU campuses;
  - **Who:** Year 12s;
  - **Information:** [www.vu.edu.au/Explore-VU](http://www.vu.edu.au/Explore-VU)

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**RMIT NEWS**

- **NUCLEAR MEDICINE LAB VISITS** – a program/tour for students wanting to find out about nuclear medicine and the role nuclear medicine technologists play in the investigating, diagnosis, and treatment of disease.
  - **When:** 25 & 26 Sept;
  - **Info:** 9925 7075, [medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au](mailto:medicalsciences@rmit.edu.au). **PLEASE NOTE:** Due to an issue with the original form, any registrations made before Monday 25 August have been lost. If students registered before this time, please register again. RMIT apologizes for this inconvenience.

- **SCIENCE IN THE CITY LAB TOUR** – Visit RMIT’s laboratories to discover the programs offered including: biology, biotechnology, chemistry, environmental sciences, food sciences, nanotechnology and physics. **When:** 11am-1.30pm, Mon 22 Sept; **Who:** Year 10-12 students and parents;

- **FOLIO PREPARATION** – A range of courses are available to give insights into a particular design industry including study options available and selection procedures – advertising, autoCAD, building design, graphic design, interior decoration, 3D product design and visual merchandising. **When:** Sept school holidays; **Who:** Years 11/12; **Info:** 9925 8111, [www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au](http://www.shortcourses.rmit.edu.au).

- **EXPERIENCE DAY** – for the RMIT Project Management degree - explore this career option. **When:** Wed 1 Oct; **Who:** Year 10-12;

- **NEW ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY** focuses on civil engineering and building the skills for a career in engineering at a para-professional level.

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This Advanced Diploma does not have a mathematics prerequisite and provides clear pathway into RMIT’s degree program.


- **PATHWAY: ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY** - The Associate Degree in Engineering Technology provides a common first year before splitting in second year into seven engineering majors: Advanced Manufacturing and Mechatronics, Aerospace, Civil, Computer and Networking, Electrical and Electronic, Mechanical and Sustainable Systems. Students who achieve a grade point average of 2.0 or greater receive automatic entry into relevant bachelor programs with the equivalents of two years’ credit. Find out more at [http://www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad026](http://www.rmit.edu.au/programs/ad026)

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**AUDITION PREPARATION WORKSHOPS** at BOX HILL INSTITUTE (Creative Industries);

- **When:** Mon 22 September
- **Where:** Whitehorse campus, 1000 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill;
- **Info:** [www.bhtafe.edu.au/courses/C1/Pages/auditions-interviews.aspx](http://www.bhtafe.edu.au/courses/C1/Pages/auditions-interviews.aspx).

**INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN MEDICINE OR HEALTH?**

You could become a doctor, work in medical research and diagnostic laboratories, practice as a clinical dietitian and much more! **Bond University** is hosting a special information evening, providing insight into study pathways and career opportunities in the health industry. Meet the Dean of the Medicine program and the Program Head of Biomedical Science as well as other friendly Bond University staff who can assist with any information you want to know! There will be information about the application procedure for the Bond University medicine intake for May 2015. Attendance is FREE, however to receive important updates (and for catering purposes), please RSVP your attendance.

- **Date:** Tuesday 23 September
- **Time:** Arrivals from 6pm for 6:30pm presentations (event concludes at 8pm)
- **Location:** Crown Plaza Melbourne, 1-5 Spencer Street, Melbourne
- **Includes:** Light refreshments, information sessions and networking
- **Cost:** Free – however registration is essential, as places are limited. [Click here to RSVP](http://www.bond.edu.au)

For further information or to register your attendance, contact Tabitha Lauret, Event Coordinator at tlauret@bond.edu.au
EXPERIENCE SURVEYING DAY
Hosted by the Surveying Task Force and RMIT University, this unique 2 hour event provides a fantastic opportunity for students to do practical Surveying activities, using mathematics, with the help of fully qualified Surveyors.
They will take measurements using professional Surveying equipment, including turning angles to measure a triangle and the height of a landmark, then process the data using surveying software back at the field station.
Date: Thursday 2nd October (during school holidays)
Time: 9.45am for 10am start. 12pm finish.
Where: RMIT University Field Station, Yarra Bend Park, 201 Yarra Bend Road, Fairfield.
Transport: The nearest train station is Dennis, a 15 min walk away (1.8km).
This free event is open to Year 10-12 secondary students and school leavers considering Surveying as a career path. Students will preferably have an interest and aptitude for mathematics and IT, and will have or are planning on studying Maths Methods in VCE.
To register, simply have them send their contact details via return email or call (03) 9326 8173 by Wednesday 24th September.

ATTENTION ATHLETES - STUDY IN THE USA?
Staff from Education USA will present to interested Yr 10 and 11 students and parents from 4.30 – 5.30pm on Tuesday 21 October at Melbourne Grammar School. Details to follow next term.

ARE YOU HOPING TO BECOME A VET?
If so, you probably know that the only Victorian university offering veterinary science is the University of Melbourne. So if you are considering this career, then the Pre-vet Club is for you. Meet the world class staff, attend customised lectures, interact with current students, see the Veterinary Hospital in action, and more. Find out how rewarding a career in veterinary science can be. Register interest at: www.vet.unimelb.edu.au/pre-vet.

INTERESTED IN RADIO AND TV CAREERS?
If so, you might want to find out about Holmesglen’s Diploma Screen and Media (Radio & TV). It is a practical introduction to radio and television presenting and production. Holmesglen is looking for students with motivation and potential, not necessarily high academic records. Interested students can attend an Open Wednesday Session.
When: 6-7pm, 17 Sept or 15 Oct;
Where: Building 1, Batosford RD, Chadstone, Room 1.18;

CHANCELLOR’S SCHOLARS GUARANTEED ENTRY
The University of Melbourne’s Chancellor’s Scholars Program is a guaranteed Commonwealth Supported Place in a wide range of graduate degrees, including the Doctor of Medicine (MD). Guaranteed entry into the MD through the Chairmen’s Scholars Program requires:
- Successful completion of prerequisite subjects in an undergraduate degree; and
- A Multi-Mini Interview (MMI).
Successful Year 12 students may sit the MMI in December 2014 or during their final year of undergraduate study. Either of these options is treated equally by the Selection Committee. It is up to the student which option they choose – the only advantage to choosing the earlier option is it will give students a greater assurance about their guaranteed pathway place.
Registrations for the Multi-Mini Interview (MMI) are now open and will close on Monday 15 December (12.00noon). Late registrations will not be accepted. Eligible registrants will receive an email confirming their interview time by close of business on Monday 15 December 2014. For more information, including how to register, visit www.sc.mdhs.unimelb.edu.au/chancellors-scholars-program.

NEWS FROM DEAKIN UNIVERSITY
- DISCOVER DEAKIN – SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Deakin is offering Year 10, 11 and 12 students the chance to find out more about Deakin and the courses on offer through hands on workshops and seminars at the Geelong Waurn Ponds and Melbourne Burwood campuses. Students will also have the opportunity to speak with current staff and students about courses and find out more about how to apply to Deakin.
Date: Monday 22 September 2014
Time: 9.00am – 12noon
Venue: Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus,

- GUARANTEED PATHWAYS FROM TAFE TO DEAKIN

The Deakin Pathways Program provides a supported student transition to higher education from VET programs at TAFE. These pathways provide a seamless transition from Diplomas / Advanced Diplomas to Deakin degrees. For further details visit: www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/study-options-and-pathways/pathways-to-deakin/tafe-your-pathway-to-deakin or click on Deakin-Box Hill Institute Pathways Program Flyer
Email pathways@deakin.edu.au for assistance or further advice!
- EXPLORE THE BROAD RANGE OF SCIENCE COURSES
Considering a career in Science, but not sure which area you want to focus on? Our new suite of science videos will help you to decide. The videos at the link below showcase the undergraduate degrees in Science, Biological Science, Biomedical Science and Zoology and Animal Science from both a student and staff perspective. Visit www.deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/find-a-course/science to watch the videos.

2015 UNSW MINERALS SUMMER SCHOOL (UMSS)
The UNSW Minerals Summer School (UMSS) is a unique opportunity to get inside the Minerals industry as part of a 4-day residential camp organised by the School of Mining Engineering. The program runs in the January school holidays, and is open to current Year 10 and 11 students who have an interest in Engineering or Science and who
plan to study subjects such as *physics, mathematics (advanced), engineering and earth & environmental studies*. Those attending will have the opportunity to:

- find out about careers, lifestyles, working conditions and opportunities in the Australian minerals industry from professionals and recent graduates
- experience university life including lectures, labs & the School’s 3D virtual reality simulator
- investigate university courses that suit their abilities and preferences
- participate in exciting lectures and laboratory workshops at UNSW
- visit underground and surface mines
- find out how coal and minerals are extracted and processed
- visit mine rehabilitation and environmental management sites
- see modern blasting demonstrations for rock fragmentation

Applicants should also be *motivated and enthusiastic*, and enjoy working independently and in group activities. Finally, students should also be an Australian citizen or permanent resident and be 15 years or older on 1 January 2012.

**Date:** Monday 19 January – Thursday 22 January 2015  
**Cost:** $200 (incl. GST) (The UNSW Minerals Summer School is substantially subsidised by UNSW and the Australian minerals industry with most of the expenses covered, including all meals.)

Applications close on 30 September 2014. More details and the application form can be found at [www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/mining-engineering/unsw-minerals-summer-school](http://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/mining-engineering/unsw-minerals-summer-school)

For further information, please contact the School of Mining Engineering at mining@unsw.edu.au

**DISCOVER HOSPITALITY**

Students are invited to make use of this useful website called *Discover Hospitality* - [www.discoverhospitality.com](http://www.discoverhospitality.com). The resource was developed by industry and is aimed at providing information to those students looking to pursue a career in Hospitality.

**APPRENTICESHIPS: AUTOMOTIVE, TECHNICAL & PARTS**

Applications are now open to those students considering a career in the Motor Trade with prestige vehicles. Successful candidates will be placed with a dealer for full time employment and will also receive block training. Dealers involved in this program include *Audi, Volkswagen, Jaguar, Land Rover, Mazda, Volvo, Subaru* and *Renault*. The Apprenticeship Program will start in 2015. For more information on the dealers participating in this program and to access the application form, visit [www.vantageautomotive.com](http://www.vantageautomotive.com)

**DIPLOMA OF NURSING PATHWAY**

All Box Hill graduates of the Diploma of Nursing are guaranteed a place in the Bachelor of Nursing at ACU with 8 subjects credited. Graduates will be given one year’s credit in the Bachelor of Nursing at Deakin University, and graduates will also be eligible to apply to go into the Bachelor of Nursing at La Trobe University and Monash University (Berwick). The VTAC Code for the Diploma of Nursing is 5100210164. Find out more about the Diploma of Nursing at [www.bhtafe.edu.au/courses/local/Pages/HC512.aspx](http://www.bhtafe.edu.au/courses/local/Pages/HC512.aspx)

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