Reminders: MONASH Medicine (MBBS) Information Session 30 May
‘At Monash’ Seminars - Info: ph 1800 Monash Reg’n/locations:
www.monash.edu/seminars
Science Tuesday 8 May Clayton
Performing Arts Tuesday 15 May Clayton
Law Thursday 17 May Clayton

TERTIARY INFORMATION SERVICE (TIS) EVENT – All Year 12 students will be attending this event of Tuesday 8 May. There will be an introduction to the VTAC Course Selection process, a panel discussion and a courses expo. Start thinking about the questions you would like to ask!

THE AGE VCE & CAREERS EXPO 2012
All students are reminded that The Age VCE & Careers Expo 2012 will take place the first weekend in May!
When: Thursday 3 May to Sunday 6 May
Time: 10.00am – 4.00pm
Where: Caulfield Racecourse
The $10.00 admission fee ($25 per family) is valid for the four days of the Expo, and also includes all seminars. There will be 168 seminars on VCE subjects, tertiary courses, and career and employment advice. For more information – a list of the 190 exhibitors or the seminar program, visit http://www.vceandcareers.com.au/index.php?cID=1

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN SPORTS MEDICINE? Olympic Park Sports Medicine Centre is conducting the annual Careers in Sports Medicine Evening. Practitioners from areas such as nutrition, sports medicine, podiatry, psychology, massage, physiotherapy and exercise physiology will give short talks. When: 6.30-7pm (Registration), 7.30-9pm, (Talks), Wed 23 May; Where: AAMI Park Stadium, 60 Olympic Blvd, Entrance F, Gate 4, Corporate Entrance, Olympic Room 3; Cost: $25 per student (parent no charge); Registration: http://www.trybooking.com/BHCW.

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY
The Faculty of Information Technology is offering Work Experience placements for students at this year’s Computer Games Boot Camp (CGBC) at Monash University, Clayton Campus. Students have the opportunity to be involved in a diverse range of areas including Broadcat production, Project management, Activity coordinator, Tech support, Media crew, Industry support, Tournament support and many more. Work Experience is completed during the weekday period of the event Monday 9 July - Friday 13 July 2012. Due to the overwhelming response in 2011, extra placements have been made available for CGBC 2012. Please contact Andrew Owen at andrew.owen@infotech.monash.edu.au or on (03) 9903 1441. Alternatively visit www.infotech.monash.edu.au

UNDERGRADUATE MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES ADMISSION TEST (UMAT) – Registrations open in early April (see www.umat.acer.edu.au). Registration deadline is Fri 1 June; the test date is Wed 25 July, 2012. Reminder: This test is used as part of the selection process for applicants for Monash University medicine, and physiotherapy (and interstate degrees). See:
http://monash.edu.au/study/coursefinder/course/2628/domestic-requirements.html

NOTE: From 2012 UMAT scores can be used for admission to any of the UMAT Consortium universities ONLY in the year following the test. For example, results from UMAT2012 can be used for undergraduate medicine or health science courses beginning in 2013 but NOT 2014. Students intending taking a GAP year next year should not register for UMAT2012 unless they are planning to apply for a course commencing in 2013 AND meet the eligibility criteria specified in the UMAT2012 Information Booklet. Visit http://umat.acer.edu.au/index.php

RMIT NEWS – RMIT provides higher and vocational education to more than 70,000 students in Australia and overseas. RMIT offers degrees, double degrees, associate degrees, dual awards, advanced diplomas, diplomas, apprenticeships and traineeships, providing pathways so that students can easily move between TAFE and university courses.

What about a career in Construction or Project Management, Property or Valuation?
• RMIT offers the Bachelor of Applied Science (Construction Management), a degree which trains construction managers, quantity surveyors, building managers and builders
• The B. App. Sci. (Project Management) trains project managers in building, IT, finance and general business
• The B. App. Sci (Property) trains in property investment and management, consultancy and property finance
• The B. App. Sci. (Valuation) trains in valuation, property investment and management, consultancy and property finance

(NOTE: These degrees have a common first year and have supervised work in industry).

They have world-wide accreditation and are accredited by leading professional bodies like PMI, API, RICS and AIB. The work-related learning inv employment experience in industry and preferential access to key industry employers. involved produces industry-ready graduates. (www.rmit.edu.au/propertyconstruction/employerchoice).

International study tours are available, and many students go on exchange to a range of overseas universities as part of their degree. Scholarships are available.

New Bachelor of Engineering (Electronic Product Design) degree for RMIT in 2012 – This degree includes aspects of industrial design, electronics, and computer systems. Artistic design flair is needed for this course, and there will be some studio-based subjects in graphic design. Employment will be in manufacturing and innovation and in product design and development.

New double degrees at RMIT- Double degrees are a great way to study a broader range of subjects, and to get further qualifications in a shorter time. New for 2013:
• Chemical engineering and pharmaceutical sciences
• Food technology and management
• Biotechnology and biomedical science
• Aviation and management
• Mechanical engineering and management
• Mechanical engineering and industrial design
• Engineering (Advanced manufacturing and mechanical) and international business.

What about Medical Sciences at RMIT? RMIT offers a range of medical science programs:
• Biomedical science
• Exercise and sports science
• Laboratory science
• Medical radiations
• Pharmaceutical sciences
• Pharmacy
• Physical education
UNIVERSITY OF BALLARAT NEW COURSES 2013

The Bachelor of Mathematical Science (Health Analytics) aims to address a shortage of graduates with data analysis skills in the niche health services sector. Students will gain strong industry links, and hands-on experience in practical placements with health care providers during their studies, giving them the edge when looking for employment in a range of health services careers.

The Bachelor of Aviation Management is designed to meet the growing need by airlines for pilots to have tertiary qualifications in addition to a commercial pilot license. Although it is not essential for pilots to have qualifications in IT or Management, preference tends to be given to applicants who hold a tertiary qualification. The program has a strong practical focus and will facilitate pilots transitioning from their flying career to management roles if they chose to do so.

PATHWAYS TO DEAKIN UNIVERSITY

If you miss out on a place at university, you have the option of studying a (full fee-paying) diploma at Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology (MIBT). Upon successful completion of the diploma students are eligible for a place in second year of a Deakin University bachelor degree program (conditions apply). With increasing competition for university places, alternative entry pathways have become important for many students, as well as providing smaller classes and personalised student support. Courses are available in commerce, computing, engineering, health sciences, management, media and communication and science.

BSO: Box Hill Institute has important links with Deakin, with some courses commencing with a diploma at Box Hill and finishing with a Deakin degree. For example, the Bachelor of Management/Advanced Diploma of Tourism commences with a semester at Box Hill, with students gradually spending more time at Deakin to complete their degree. Students gain an advanced diploma and a degree in three years (with a bonus of paying lower fees for the TAFE part of the course). Last year’sATAR for this course was 52.45.


LOOKING FOR AN APPRENTICESHIP? If so, it is likely that you will need to complete a pre-apprenticeship course first. These teach the basics of the trade involved, making it much easier to obtain an apprenticeship. They take around six months. Enquire at your local TAFE Institute. If you need assistance obtaining an apprenticeship you are advised to contact a Group Training Company. They are located throughout Victoria – ph 1800 819 747 or www.grouptraining.com.au.

MID-YEAR EXAM PREPARATION LECTURES – watch out for the many Revision Lectures being offered for students wanting to prepare for Mid-Year exams. All the usual companies will be offering Lectures at a range of prices. For FREE lectures watch for news from Victoria University who have FREE Revision Lectures for Mid-Year and End of Year Exams. Book early as you might find there are no places left! Another organisation, TSFX, has a series FREE “MASTERING THE EXAMS” LECTURES. Students attending must make a minimum donation of $10 which is divided between the charities Fred Hollows Foundation and Beyond Blue. Get a brochure from the study Centre or go to www.tsfx.com.au

A CAREER AS AN ILLUSTRATOR - Illustrators create drawings and designs for books, magazines, advertisements, films, television and multimedia. Illustrators work on paper, and two-dimensional (2D) and three-dimensional (3D) models. They may use a combination of traditional and computer-based techniques, or work on screen only.

Illustrators may perform the following tasks:
- study the project brief (instructions) and select an appropriate style, technique and medium to use
- research the topic by looking at photographs, artworks, advertisements and books, and by observing people, animals and plants
- prepare sketches, layouts and storyboards to try out different ideas
- create illustrations using charcoal, pen, ink, paint, photography and computer graphics software
- create and model creatures, characters, environments and interiors for 2D and 3D computer animations

Illustrators can specialise in illustrations for children’s books, scientific work, technical manuals, fashion, websites or product packaging. Many work as freelancers.

Successful illustrators have -
- a high level of drawing skill
- an artistic and design flair
- an ability to work to the client brief (instructions)
- a feeling for movement and timing
- an aptitude for working with computers

To become an illustrator a student usually studies animation, graphic design, new media design, fine arts, visual arts or visual communication at university or illustration. Entry to these courses usually require a VCE, and the prerequisite subjects are English, and Visual Arts and Design or Art. Quite often applicants may also be required to attend an interview, undertake a drawing test, complete a written critique and/or submit a folio of work. A number of universities in Australia offer degrees in these areas. Universities have different prerequisites and entry requirements.

Two interesting areas in Illustration are -

1. Medical illustrator - A medical illustrator is a professional artist who interprets and creates visual material to help record and disseminate medical, biological and related knowledge. Medical illustrators not only produce such material but can also function as consultants and administrators within the field of bio-communication. A certified medical illustrator continues to obtain extensive training in medicine, science, and art techniques throughout his or her career. (Wikipedia).

Visit the following two interesting links -
http://www.ami.org/medical-illustration/careers.html and

2. Botanical illustrator - Botanical illustration is the art of depicting the form, colour, and details of plant species, frequently in water colour paintings. These are often printed with a botanical description in book, magazines, and other media. The creation of these requires an understanding of plant anatomy, access to specimens and references, and are often composed in consultation with a scientific author. (Wikipedia).

Visit http://www.abc.net.au/acedayjobs/careerprofiles/s2296870.htm

NEW BACHELOR OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AT ACU

A new four year Bachelor of Speech Pathology will be offered at ACU’s Brisbane, Melbourne and North Sydney campuses from 2013.

The course involves students studying the theoretical and practical aspects of speech, hearing, language, voice and difficulties in swallowing and feeding. Graduates will be able to work with people across the lifespan from babies to adults and work in a range of settings such as schools, hospitals, community health or private practice.

Speech pathologists fulfil a range of responsibilities including -
- assessing and managing people who have trouble communicating and/or swallowing
THE UNIVERSITY of NSW CHALLENGE at The AGE VCE & CAREERS EXPO

Win a day trip to UNSW in Sydney and attend the popular “A Day@UNSW” event on Wednesday 20 June 2012. How can students enter this competition? By participating in the UNSW Challenge taking place during The AGE VCE & Careers Expo! The UNSW Challenge, offered on Saturday, 5 May (11:00am and 1:00pm) and Sunday, 6 May (11:00am), will test students’ knowledge on academia, UNSW and Sydney with interesting and engaging trivia sprinkled with insights into potential future study at UNSW, in three lightning fast rounds – with the winners winging their way to Sydney this June. Each UNSW Challenge can accommodate up to 40 students who will be randomly assigned to teams of four at the start of the Challenge. Each member of the team with the highest number of points after three rounds, will receive a free, escorted daytrip to UNSW to participate in “A Day@UNSW” – a day that brings together an exciting schedule of lectures and workshops from all UNSW faculties - offering prospective students the opportunity to explore what’s available to them at our outstanding University. Registration for each UNSW Challenge is required, but will not include admission to The AGE VCE and Careers Expo (tickets may be purchased at the ticket booth on the day). Registration is now open and available through UNSW’s ‘What’s On’ for Future Students website at www.whatson.unsw.edu.au.

VU - AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS WEEK COMPETITION
Year 10 and 11 students interested in sport or business might like to take part in a competition with Victoria University as part of the Australian Business Week (ABW)
A maximum of six students need to be nominated by a teacher to participate in this competition. Students will work in teams to take over running a sporting goods business, making decisions about operations, products and marketing, including a TV ad!
To find out more and/or register log on to www.vu.edu.au/abw

NEWS FROM MONASH UNIVERSITY

MBBS Information Session
Students considering a degree in medicine, and particularly the Monash Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) Program, are invited to attend the upcoming MBBS Information Session with special guests from UMAT on hand to answer those burning questions that parents or students may have about the process.
Date: 30 May 2012
Time: 6.30pm – 8.00pm
Venue: Building 63, Lecture Theatre C1, Clayton campus,

Counsellor
The Bachelor of Business (Banking and Finance) / Bachelor of Laws will no longer be offered from mid-2012 onwards.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT BOND UNIVERSITY
Bond University offers a range of scholarships to students for undergraduate and postgraduate programs. It is important to note that applications for the 2013 Scholarship Program for Australian Year 12 students opened on 1 April 2012 and closes on 31 July 2012. Scholarships include:

1. The Vice-Chancellor’s Scholarship – awarded to a Year 12 student with exceptional academic achievements, proven leadership ability and personal character. The value of this scholarship is 100% tuition fees for any single or combined degree (excluding MBBS).

TIP: As this is the most prestigious scholarship offered by Bond University, applicants are encouraged to take their time completing their personal statements to reflect their strengths and achievements.

2. The Australia Day Scholarship – awarded to a talented and motivated Year 12 student enrolled in a Victorian school. The recipient of the Australia Day Scholarship is awarded to a student demonstrating strong leadership skills, an extensive involvement in extra-curricular activities and an expected ATAR of over 90. The value of this scholarship is 100% tuition fees for any single or combined degree (excluding MBBS).

TIP: Applicants should ensure they highlight their community and school service achievements in their personal statement.

3. Corporate Scholarships – awarded to Year 12 students demonstrating exceptional potential, and aimed at developing these students into the leaders and visionaries of the future. The value of the scholarships is 50% tuition for any undergraduate degree combination (excluding MBBS). In addition to this, the sponsoring corporate firms assume a mentoring role by providing students with the opportunity of applying their studies through an internship. Corporate partners for 2013 are:

- Clayton Utz (Bachelor of Laws)
- Minter Ellison Lawyers (Bachelor of Laws)
- JB Were (Bachelor of Commerce majoring in Finance)
- KPMG (Bachelor of Commerce majoring in Accounting)
- Macquarie (Bachelor of Commerce majoring in Finance)

TIP: Applicants applying for this scholarship are reminded to know which Corporate Scholarship they are applying for, and complete research about the sponsoring company.

4. The Dean’s Scholarships – awarded to students who have demonstrated very high academic and leadership achievements, along with their overall contribution throughout secondary school. The value of the scholarships is up to 40% tuition fees, and is at faculty discretion, but again excludes the MBBS.

TIP: These scholarships are based on merit, so ensure you attach your Year 11 & Year 12 school reports with your application and highlight key academic achievements. Year 12 students are able to apply for any of these scholarships until the closing date. Scholarship applications should be submitted online! Visit www.bond.edu.au/scholarships.

CAREERS RESOURCES for VCE STUDENTS – as new course booklets, posters and event information arrive in College, I make them available to students in the Study Centre as well as publicising through the Careers News and on noticeboards around the campus. It is up to students to watch these areas closely for the resources and events, taking responsibility for their own Career Development. Remember how important it is to “get the life you love”!

I have also recently purchased a set of 20 books from Careers FAQ which are available for students to borrow from the careers Office. Titles include:

- Design Professionals
- Going Global
- Journalism
- Banking Careers
- Engineering
- Legal Careers
- Weird & Wonderful
- Save the World
- Extreme

These and more will soon be available online for all students!

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