VETERINARY SCIENCE OPEN DAY 2014
Prospective students, parents, children, animal lovers and veterinary science buffs — we welcome the whole community to our annual Open Day. The Open Day is an opportunity for prospective students and their parents to speak with veterinary staff, meet current students and learn about the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine graduate program. Other Open Day highlights include public lectures, pet demonstrations, and interactive displays and guided tours.

Date: Sunday 16 March 2014
Time: 10.00am – 3.00pm
Location: University of Melbourne Veterinary Hospital, 250 Princes Hwy, Werribee For more information, visit www.vet.unimelb.edu.au/

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY WITH A SURVEYOR
Interested in Geography, Maths, Science or the outdoors? Looking for a work experience placement that won’t tie you to a desk? If this sounds like you, why not try out Work Experience at a Surveying company.

Students keen on finding out more about a career in surveying might like to take up the opportunity to apply for a Work Experience placement with a local Surveyor. Visit http://www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au/student-work-experience/secondary-students/ and register to receive information about available places. Applications for 2014 are already open!

Students who wish to find out what surveying is, what Surveyors do, where to study and what it takes might like to browse www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au

SCIENCE IN THE CITY LAB TOURS AT RMIT
Students, parents and teachers are invited to visit our cutting edge learning laboratories and discover the range of programs on offer including: biology, biotechnology, chemistry, environmental sciences, food science, nanotechnology and physics.

Tour dates:
Monday 7 April 2014, 11.00am to 1.30pm
Monday 30 June 2014, 11.00am to 1.30pm
Monday 22 September 2014, 11.00am to 1.30pm
Register at www.rmit.edu.au/appliedsciences/discover

MEDICINE AT MONASH UNIVERSITY
Monash has two medicine/surgery (MBBS) degrees. One is an undergraduate degree at Monash Clayton campus, the other is a Graduate-entry program run at Gippsland campus.

The Clayton undergraduate degree selects students on the basis of their Undergraduate Medicine and Health Sciences Admissions Test (UMAT) results, an interview, and theATAR. Applicants for this program cannot have commenced another university degree.

The Gippsland Graduate-entry program currently selects students on the basis of undergraduate degree results in an appropriate degree and Graduate Australian Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT). However, from 2017, at least 50 of the 75 domestic places available into the Graduate Entry MBBS will be reserved for students who have completed Monash University’s Bachelor of Biomedical Science. The remaining 25 places in this program will be open to students who have completed the following University degrees: Bachelor of Biomedical Science (including double degrees), Bachelor of Pharmacy, Bachelor of Physiotherapy and Bachelor of Science (dependent on the completion of designated units). Selection of students for the Graduate-entry MBBS will include a multiple mini interview; the GAMSAT will not be required. Further info: ph 1800 MONASH (666 274) www.med.monash.edu.au/medical/gippsland/mbbs-pathways.html; or email future@monash.edu.

NOTE:

• Other institutions in Victoria offering medicine degrees are: University of Melbourne (post-graduate) and Deakin University (post-graduate).
• Many applicants for medicine degrees apply for interstate universities, and sometimes for NZ universities (Universities of Auckland and of Otago), to increase their chances of being accepted into a medicine degree, as competition for places is fierce.

IN CASE YOU MISSED THIS in the LAST EDITION...
THE UNDERGRADUATE MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES ADMISSION TEST (UMAT)? Results from this test are used as part of the selection process for some Australian and New Zealand university degrees. In Victoria the only university degree now requiring this test for Year 12 selection is Medicine at Monash (Clayton) (physiotherapy no longer requires it). However, some interstate and NZ universities also use it. Registrations for UMAT2014 are now open, and close at 5pm (EST) on Friday 6 June. The test will take place on Wednesday 30 July 2014.

The UMAT Information Booklet is available from the UMAT website: www.umat.acer.edu.au.

NOTE: Practice materials are available through the UMAT website and can only be completed online. There are currently three full-length tests available. There are also some ‘how to’ clips and a quiz available on the UMAT website. Watch the videos and complete the quiz questions before registering for the test. Further clips will be released over the coming months.

FINDING OUT ABOUT STUDYING AT MONASH UNIVERSITY - Prospective students have a great opportunity to find out more about courses which interest them. Monash is, once again, holding the ‘At Monash’ seminar series, where you can hear from current students, graduates and staff. The ones coming up shortly are (all 6.30-8.00pm):

• Business and Economics at Peninsula campus, Tues 4 March
• Nursing, Midwifery and Emergency Health at Peninsula, Thurs 6 March
• Business and Economics at Clayton, Wed 12 March
• Science at Clayton, Thurs 13 March
• Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy at Peninsula, Tues 18 March
• Information Technology at Caulfield, Wed 19 March
• Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Parkville, Thurs 20 March

More dates to follow in the next Newsletter, or check out dates for other seminars and register your attendance at: www.monash.edu/seminars. Information: 1800 MONASH.

MORE MONASH NEWS

• IT – ‘First Strike’ Event

The Faculty of Information Technology is introducing a new induction event for 2014. ‘First Strike’ will give students and parents the opportunity to find out about all the activities, events and competitions for the year. Those attending will meet like-minded students interested in Games Development, Multimedia and Information Technology.

The event includes:

✓ Introduction to the IT Challenge competition
✓ Work Experience preparation at CGBC – Computer Games Boot Camp (Step IT Up program)
✓ Introduction to Project Development (Prepare your project for 2014)
✓ Multimedia and live broadcast preparation for CGBC, e.g. animations, videos, channel IDs
✓ Student and industry presentations
✓ 2014 event and activity information

Date: Saturday 22 February – Sunday 23 February 2014
INTERESTED IN HEALTH SCIENCES, BUT UNSURE OF YOUR DIRECTION?

Deakin University advises that if you are interested in a career in health but are unsure of your direction, the Bachelor of Health Sciences could be a good option. The degree draws from and complements the specialist fields offered by the Faculty of Health and enables you to structure your course and combine fields of study according to your interests and career ideas. Possible areas of study include: environmental health, exercise science, food studies, health promotion, nutrition, disability, psychology and sport coaching. Other universities offer a Health Science degree, but with different ‘major’ studies.

BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCE-MONASH

The 3-year Bachelor of Health Science at Monash University, Caulfield Campus is a multidisciplinary degree which focuses on health in a social context and students are then in a position to pursue a variety of career paths, including promoting, developing or implementing public health programs and policies. This course also opens doors to public health research and postgraduate clinical programs in medicine, social work, nursing or allied health. Students gain a thorough understanding of the challenging public health issues facing communities in Australia and the rest of the world, and how they are being addressed. VCE requirements are – Units 3 and 4: a study score of at least 30 in English (EAL) or 25 in English other than EAL. To find out more, visit http://monash.edu/study/coursefinder/course/3882/?courseview=domestic

BOX HILL INSTITUTE NEWS

Seeking a career in the world of fashion merchandising, retailing or marketing? You want to travel the world as a fashion buyer, create exciting merchandising displays, develop a fashion website or market a fashion brand using social media? If you are creative, enjoy using social media and technology and are business minded, the Bachelor of Fashion Merchandising course will inspire you to pursue your ultimate fashion retail career. Check out YouTube clips: www.youtube.com/watch?v=RIl0uJ9COpw www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZVe4Gwqjw&list=UU_lweUpZ8bY7N9T8X

ANU - TUCKWELL SCHOLARSHIP

Australian National University (ANU) launched the Tuckwell Scholarship Program last year. Receiving a Tuckwell Scholarship – valued at $20,000 per year up to five years - is not just about a students’ intellect. It is also about their desire and determination to use their natural abilities to realise their full potential so that they can make a difference in the world. Eligible students need to expect an ATAR of 95+ but students who have experienced disadvantage, or who have achieved significantly in other ways, may still be eligible. Applications open on 3 March 2014 and close on 31 March 2014. Shortlisted students must be available for an interview in July, and students will have to make their application to study at ANU through UAC in August 2014. For more information about the Scholarship Program visit http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/home/ and http://tuckwell.anu.edu.au/applying/ for more specific details on applying.

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT LEAP INTO...LAW?

This website gives valuable information about careers in Law. Check out: www.leap.vic.edu.au/leap-activities/law

Three short videos are now available on the LEAP website showing current university Law students talk about their learner journey and thoughts for their future careers:

- Caitlin (University of Melbourne) talks about being first in family to go to university and the enjoyment she gets from university study.
- Jack (Monash University) talks about his double degree and how a volunteering experience in his gap year after Year 12 gave him the desire to study law.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR AN ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE?

Jessica (University of Melbourne) talks about her previous undergraduate degree as well as her future career options and the importance of keeping her options open.

All three videos can be viewed on our Law profession student stories page.

**LAW WORKSHOPS OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS**

LEAP into...Law has opened two events for student applications. These LSAP (Legal Studies & Australian Politics) events each run over two days and target students in Years 10-12. “This workshop is aimed at developing your confidence in all the different skills you need to succeed in the legal profession, including communication, teamwork and leadership. LSAP brings you together to work in teams in a wide range of activities, including debating, mock trials and negotiations.”

**Events**
7-8 July 2014 – Victoria University (Melbourne)
29-30 September 2014 – Victoria University (Melbourne)

**PUBLIC INTEREST LAW CAREERS GUIDE**

The Castan Centre for Human Rights Law and the Progressive Law Network are pleased to present their new Public Interest Law Careers Guide. This guide details a number of public interest law organisations that offer school trips, speakers, work experience or other resources to secondary schools. While most of the focus is on jobs available to those who undertake a law degree, some career options that do not require a law degree are included. This may be of interest to those students who are interested in law as a career, but lack the requisite marks.


**WHERE TO STUDY POLITICS IN VICTORIA**

Politics is offered in a number of degrees at numerous universities. One of the most common degrees offering politics as a major would be a Bachelor of Arts. Students who major in politics at university often also like to include economics, commerce, and international relations in the mix. Again, there are numerous double degree courses, such as Arts/Commerce, Arts/Economics and even International Studies/Commerce that bring these areas together into formal university programs.

Some Victorian universities that offer politics in their degrees include –

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**A CAREER IN RADIATION ONCOLOGY**

Radiation Oncology is an inspiring, rewarding and exciting field with a range of opportunities in the public and private areas. It combines the best areas of care for patients of all ages, with challenging and continually changing treatment for cancer patients. Working in Radiation Oncology requires excellent communication and teamwork skills. Daily interaction with patients who may be feeling ill or weak requires the ability to form respectful and trusting relationships with both adult and child patients and their families to ensure a joint approach to the patient’s treatment.

There are three specialties that are involved in the delivery of radiation therapy, including radiation oncologists, radiation therapists and radiation oncology medical physicists.

A Radiation Oncology professional will generally have:

- An interest and ability for sciences – biology and/or physics
- An interest in healthcare
- Logical thinking
- Problem solving skills
- Good communication skills
- A focus on patient care in both children and adults
- Enjoy working in a teamwork environment
- An interest in using state of the art technology

To find out more, visit www.acareerinradiationoncology.com.au/ and www.ranzcr.edu.au

**GAP YEAR AND STUDENT EXCHANGE**

Do you have the urge to travel? To make a difference in third world countries? There are many ways to achieve these aims. A few students take a semester Some students choose to take a break during their Uni course to study a semester overseas, often with a grant from their University, followed by a semester of travel or good works. Others choose to take a GAP YEAR straight after school. Here are some organisations that run specific programs

**AFX STUDENT EXCHANGE**

AFX Student Exchange offers a range of programs including high school or GAP year programs to France. For more information about all the programs offered by AFX visit http://www.australia-france-exchange.com/australie/

**AIFS - AU PAIR, VOLUNTEER, EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

AIFS and its family of companies organises cultural exchange programs throughout the world! Whether students are looking for cultural exchange program, an Au Pair placement, to volunteer or a stint with Camp America, AIFS has a range of opportunities and programs to offer! Visit http://www.aifsaustralia.com/ to find out more!

**ANTIPODEANS ABROAD**


**GAP MEDICS**

Our programs offer students interested in healthcare a genuine insight into the hospital work of doctors and nurses in Tanzania, Zanzibar, Thailand and the Czech Republic. Gap Medics are offering an exciting project for students that are looking to apply for university courses in medicine, nursing, dentistry or midwifery. Gap Medics is a provider of short-term healthcare work experience placements abroad. Although based in the UK, its programs are open to students from all around the world. This organisation is dedicated to arranging hospital work experience placements for students who are applying to medical or nursing school in particular.

So, what does the project involve? During weekdays, students shadow highly skilled doctors in their day-to-day work on a fully-supervised hospital placement. Students will also have the benefit of clinical teaching, safe and secure accommodation, food, transfers...
in Tanzania or Thailand, local orientations, 24/7 support from Gap Medics support teams overseas and in the UK and lots of help with preparations for their trip too. Visit http://www.gapmedics.com/ to find out more!

**LATITUDE GLOBAL VOLUNTEERING (FORMERLY GAP ACTIVITY PROJECTS)** has been offering international volunteering and gap year projects for 17-25 year olds, for over 35 years. A diverse range of projects are on offer in Asia/Pacific, or further afield in Europe, the Americas and Africa.

**Latitdue Volunteers...**

- are not tourists. They immerse themselves in the local culture and become members of that community. They learn about a country from within
- step outside their comfort zone and achieve something unique
- experience life, living and new horizons

Applications for 2015 are already open! Visit http://www.latitude.org.au to find out more!

**PROJECTS ABROAD**

For any students keen to learn more about the volunteer and work experience programs offered through Projects Abroad, there is an upcoming **Information Evening** whereby students can find out more about programs on offer!

**Date:** Tuesday 18 February 2014  
**Time:** 6.30pm – 8.00pm  
**Venue:** Northcote Town Hall, 189 High Street, Northcote 3070


**SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE**

Explore another culture, learn another language, be a family member and an active student in a different country. Experience your world.

For more information call 1800 500 501 or visit www.scce.com.au

**STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA**

LOTE students often express an interest in finding out more about short-term exchange programs to countries like Japan, France, Germany, Canada, Spain and many more! To find out more call 1300 135 331 or visit www.studentexchange.org.au

**GAP YEAR THROUGH TUTORS WORLDWIDE** There are many different ways in which a GAP Year can be organised. Tutors Worldwide offers students the opportunity to work in an overseas school environment at either prep or secondary (high) school. Currently Tutors Worldwide recruits for (both senior and junior) schools in the UK, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, and from among students in the same countries, incorporating personal visits to all countries.

For more information or to download the application form, visit http://www.tutorsworldwide.org/ Applications close 10 April 2014.

**VOLUNTEER ABROAD WITH WEP**

**World Education Program (WEP) Australia** is now offering a range of international programs for people over the age of 18! Programs include volunteer and conservation projects, work & travel and internships, teaching English overseas, international language study and language & volunteer packages.

**WEP's GAP programs** bring together volunteers from all over the world to help communities in need, and volunteers learn:

- to work through the various challenges of adapting to a new culture
- mature, gain more confidence and develop greater self-awareness

**Find out more by visiting** www.volunteerabroad.com.au **or call 1300 884 733.**

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