

CAREER NEWSLETTER

NEWS, RESOURCES, EVENTS



Thursday 3 August 2023

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

TERTIARY APPLICATIONS

University applications via most state-based Tertiary Admission Centres are now open!

Year 12 students can download the following resources from <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>



Early entry programs – Victoria, NSW and Canberra. Note – all early entry programs are now open.



How to apply for courses via Tertiary Admissions Centres for Victoria, NSW and Canberra.



Scholarships guide.



Accommodation guide.



Open day calendar – Victoria, NSW and Canberra.



UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS - RESOURCES

Get help with the VTAC application process (Victorian courses)

The Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC) process course applications on behalf of most tertiary institutes in Victoria. VTAC staff are running the following live webinars to assist students and families with applications:

August

23	Refugee and asylum seeker information session.
30	Nursing and midwifery applicants.

September

5	Pathways.
12	VTAC application process.

To register for an upcoming session, visit <https://www.vtac.edu.au/events>

Watch information videos via www.youtube.com/@vtacmedia6131

Get help with the UAC application process (NSW and Canberra courses)

The Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) process course applications on behalf of most tertiary institutes in NSW and Canberra. UAC staff are running a series of live webinars to assist students and families with applications. Register for an upcoming session, www.uac.edu.au/schools/uac-digital

Other states

Students can access information about course applications via:

SA & NT	www.satac.edu.au
Queensland	www.qtac.edu.au
Western Australia	www.tisc.edu.au
Tasmania	www.utas.edu.au



OPEN DAYS ARE HERE!

This information is for all students.

Selected open days running soon:

SATURDAY 5 AUGUST

Monash University	Caulfield
Monash University	Peninsula
University of Wollongong	Wollongong

SUNDAY 6 AUGUST

Monash University	Clayton
Deakin University	Warrnambool
La Trobe University	Melbourne
RMIT University	Bundoora
Charles Sturt Univer.	Wagga Wagga
Longy College	Longerenong

WEDNESDAY 9 AUGUST

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SATURDAY 12 AUGUST

William Angliss SAE	Melbourne
Torrens University	Melbourne

SUNDAY 13 AUGUST

Monash University	Clayton
Australian Catholic University	Melbourne
Charles Sturt Univer.	Albury-Wodonga
La Trobe University	Albury-Wodonga
Federation University	Ballarat
RMIT University	Brunswick
RMIT University	Melbourne City

Open Day dates

For a list of open day dates for Victoria, NSW, and Canberra, visit <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR VICTORIAN UNI APPLICATIONS

Applying for nursing or midwifery?

Once you have applied for a nursing or midwifery course via VTAC, you will be required to complete the 'Nursing and Midwifery Declaration Form'. This is located in your VTAC account under 'Making an Application'.



Making an Application

[Course preferences - undergraduate](#)
[Special Consideration \(SEAS\) application](#)
[Write a personal statement](#)
[Scholarships application](#)
[Nursing and Midwifery Declaration Form](#)

Initial teacher education - Victoria

Students planning to apply for initial teacher education courses in Victoria for the 2024 intake are required to sit the Casper test: CSP 10409 – Australian Undergraduate Teacher Education. You will need to create a VTAC account before you can register for the test. Register for the test via <https://acuityinsights.app/casper/> Students applying for initial teacher education courses at Australian Catholic University may be required to complete the ACU Teacher Selector Statement.

Applying for a course that requires a folio, interview, design task or audition?

Once you add the course/s to your VTAC preference list and submit your application, you will be emailed information about the additional selection criteria you need to complete. Check the inbox in your VTAC account for up-to-date information. The university you are applying to may have folio and audition preparation sessions – contact them to find out.

Courses with early closing dates

The following courses have early closing dates via VTAC:

Monash University: direct medicine courses.
University of Melbourne: Fine Arts and Music.

Course applications must be submitted by Thursday 28 September,
www.vtac.edu.au/early-close

Get help with your applications

The following universities are running VTAC application webinars:

University of Melbourne, 3 August, 6.30pm
<https://bit.ly/44VYnsr>
Victoria University, 8 August, 7.30pm
<https://bit.ly/43XDvQ5>



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR NSW/ACT UNI APPLICATIONS

Applying for nursing or midwifery?

Once you have applied for a nursing or midwifery course via UAC, you will be required to submit an 'English proficiency declaration'. The declaration will appear once you review your course preferences.

Course-specific requirements ?

⚠ You must answer an English proficiency declaration

Applying for a teaching degree?

You may need to complete the Teaching Questionnaire in your UAC account. You may also need to complete a 'motivation to teach' statement direct to the university.

Law at the University of NSW (UNSW)

Students planning to apply for undergraduate law courses at UNSW will need to sit the Law Admissions Test (LAT) on Thursday 28 September. Registrations for the test close Friday 11 August,
<https://careernews.click/unswlat>

Applying for an early admission program?

All early admission programs for NSW and Canberra universities are now open. Ensure you have listed closing dates and are working on your applications as some programs close early. You may need to organise a recommendation or your Year 11 results from your school, so try and be organised as early as possible. Download an early entry guide from <https://slmcareerresources.edublogs.org/>

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE - 2024 ADMISSIONS UPDATE

Access Melbourne for 2024 - guaranteed entry

Students who have experienced disadvantage may qualify for the Access Melbourne program by completing a Special Consideration (SEAS) application via VTAC.

Applicants who qualify under SEAS in the following categories will be guaranteed entry into courses with lower ATARs, providing they meet course prerequisites and preference the courses via VTAC correctly.

- Resident of a regional or remote area
- Disadvantaged financial background
- Recognition as an Indigenous Australian

ATARs on the right: Indigenous Australian

Bachelor of Agriculture	68	66
Bachelor of Arts	74	74
Bachelor of Arts (extended)	n/a	50
Bachelor of Biomedicine	88	85
Bachelor of Commerce	80	75
Bachelor of Design	74	70
Bachelor of Oral Health	n/a	77
Bachelor of Science	74	74
Bachelor of Science (extended)	n/a	55

Applications will need to tick yes for category 1 of SEAS (Personal Information and Location) in their VTAC account and submit the form by Friday 6 October.

Information, <https://bit.ly/3YfJrCR>

Access Melbourne – Study Score Consideration

Current Year 12 applicants who wish to receive study score consideration will need to also provide a statement using the VTAC Personal Form. Students may be eligible for lower guaranteed ATARs based on their study score results. For information on eligibility, visit <https://bit.ly/3YfJrCR>





UOW MANAGEMENT CADETSHIP PROGRAM

This Cadetship is aimed at high-achieving Year 12 students. Successful applicants will study a university degree at the University of Wollongong (HECs free), receive an annual wage, and complete industry experience.

Eligible bachelor degrees include (but are not limited to):

- Bachelor of Business
- Bachelor of Communication and Media Studies
- Bachelor of Computer Science
- Bachelor of Economics and Finance
- Bachelor of International Studies
- Bachelor of Information Technology
- Bachelor of Mathematics and Finance
- Any other UOW undergraduate degree with a business-oriented major

Applications are now open,
www.uow.edu.au/study/scholarships/

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

2024 Indigenous Apprenticeship Program

Expressions of interest are open for the 2024 Indigenous Apprenticeship Program. You can apply for an apprenticeship at different departments and agencies across the Australian Public Service, such as Department of Veterans' Affairs, Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Department of Education, and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. For information and to complete the expression of interest form, visit <https://bit.ly/3rAtyKW>

Business Cadetship Program

Interested in pursuing a business career? You may consider applying for a cadetship under the Business Cadetships in Melbourne Program. Cadet placement is in Global Markets and Global Research at UBS, a top-ranking global bank. Business Cadets combine paid work at UBS Melbourne with study at the university of their choice in Melbourne. Applications are now open for the 2024 intake and close 16 August 2023, www.businesscadetships.com.au



PwC Higher Apprenticeship program:

If you haven't gone to university but want to receive professional training to set you up in the technology industry, join our Higher Apprenticeship Program. And the best part of being PwC Higher Apprentice? You'll get to earn an income while learning new skills and earning two TAFE technology qualifications! Applications are now open, <https://bit.ly/3DCsGID>

Ag Career Start

This is gap year program on a farm. You will live in a regional location, earn a nationally recognised qualification, and build life-long industry connections. Applications are open for the 2024 intake, <https://agcareerstart.com.au/>

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

ADF Gap Year applications are still open!

Current Year 12 students can apply for a 12-month position in the Air Force, Army, or Navy to begin in 2024. The following roles are on offer:

NAVY

- Maritime Warfare Officer
- Maritime Warfare Officer Submariner
- Mechanical Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer Submariner
- Helicopter Mission Commander
- Navy Sailor
- Electronics Engineer
- Electronics Engineer Submariner
- Logistics and Finance Officer

ARMY

- Army Logistics
- Army Administration Assistant
- Army Combat
- Chef
- Military Police
- Army Officer

AIR FORCE

- Administration Assistant
- Aviation Operations
- Air Force Security
- Aviation Support Technician
- Warehouse Store person

Find a role you would like to apply for and click on the 'apply now' link at <https://bit.ly/2uW1hzi>



DID YOU SIT THE UCAT THIS YEAR?

If you are in Year 12 and are applying for selected medical science courses such as medicine and dentistry, then you have probably sat the Universities Clinical Admissions Test (UCAT) recently. The National Institute of Education has written an article for students breaking down UCAT scores and preparation for medical interviews, <https://bit.ly/3YeVIYa>

ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

Female and non-binary students who are interested in studying renewable engineering at the University of NSW are encouraged to the applying for an exciting scholarship through the Elevate Program. Applications for the scholarship close on 31 August, <https://bit.ly/3OmFXdg>

YEAR 10 – 12 STUDENTS

VCE SUBJECT PREREQUISITES

Students in Years 10 - 12 can download VCE prerequisites for the 2024, 2025, and 2026 university intakes for the following courses (most are courses at Victorian universities):

- Nursing
- Paramedicine
- Midwifery
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Podiatry
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech Pathology
- Osteopathy
- Chiropractic
- Social Work
- Pharmacy
- Pharmaceutical Science
- Medical Laboratory Science
- Nuclear Medicine
- Diagnostic Radiography
- Radiation Therapy
- Clinical Audiology
- Orthoptics
- Optometry
- Oral Health
- Dental Science
- Medicine

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



INTERESTED IN WORKING IN THEATRE, FILM OR TELEVISION?

Applications are now open for the following institutes:

NIDA

National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA) offers courses in areas such as Acting, Costume Design, Design for Performance, Technical Theatre, Properties and Objects, and Staging. Applications are now open, www.nida.edu.au

WAAPA

Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) offers courses in areas such as Aboriginal Performance, Acting, Arts Management, Dance, Music, Music Theatre, Performing Arts, and Production and Design. Applications are now open, www.waapa.ecu.edu.au

Victorian College of the Arts

Victorian College of the Arts (VCA) offers courses in areas such as Acting & Theatre, Dance, Design & Production, Film & Television, Indigenous Art & Culture, Music Theatre, Visual Art and Writing. Applications are now open, <https://finearts-music.unimelb.edu.au/about-us/vca>

Applications for most courses at these institutes will be based on an audition, interview and/or folio. Please take note of key application closing dates and provide all required information with your application.

ALL STUDENTS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO STUDY IN THE US OR THE UK?

Explore your options and get tips on how to complete your applications via the following websites:

EducationUSA Australia
<https://bit.ly/456ZhCJ>

Crimson Education
www.crimsoneducation.org/au/

British Council
www.britishcouncil.org.au/study-uk



YEAR 10 & 11 STUDENTS

DEFYING THE DRIFT PROGRAM

This is an amazing two stage program for young people keen to learn about careers in agriculture. You will participate in a 3-day residential program at Longerenong College in September and then present to a Rotary Club about your experience in the program. A fee of \$350 per participant is payable. Sponsor Rotary Clubs assist by contributing part or all of the fee. For information and to apply, visit www.defyingthedrift.org

YEAR 9 & 10 STUDENTS

THE SANTOS SCIENCE EXPERIENCE - AGRICULTURE

The University of Melbourne is running an exciting 3-day program at the Dookie campus between 29 November – 1 December 2023. 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. Activities include biodiversity, sheep science, plant science, protein content of milk, cheese making and robotic dairy. There are 35 places left and accommodation is available at an additional cost. Book your place via www.scienceexperience.com.au

WORK EXPERIENCE

Australian Defence Force

Students can apply to undertake work experience in the Army, Navy or Air Force. Check this link for information and to browse upcoming work experience opportunities, www.defencejobs.gov.au

Surveying work experience program

Students can register their interest to undertake work experience in surveying through A Life Without Limits. The organisation will try and connect you with businesses in your local area, www.alifewithoutlimits.com.au



EXCITING PROGRAMS

Ocean Youth Program

This amazing program is for young people who are passionate about ocean and marine life sustainability and conservation. You will participate in nature-based experiences and skills-building workshops and pitch your ideas for ocean conservation. For information, visit www.oceanyouth.org/oy-program/

Portsea Camp

The Camp runs weekend and holiday activities for children such as kayaking, snorkelling, high ropes, beach walks, sports etc. Young people are invited to apply to volunteer at the camps. This is a fantastic opportunity for secondary school students to get experience in outdoor leadership, <https://theportseacamp.com.au/>

St Johns Cadet – Youth Program

The St John's Cadet Youth Program is affiliated with St John Ambulance Australia. It offers young people aged 11 to 17 an opportunity to develop first aid and leadership skills. Cadets participate in training, drills, and community service, learn essential medical techniques and gain practical experience. The program is ideally suited to young people interested in pursuing careers in healthcare or emergency services, <https://cadets.stjohn.org.au/>

Australian Defence Force Cadets

Australian Defence Force Cadets provides young people aged 13 to 19 with training and experiences related to military, leadership, and community service. The program aims to instill discipline, teamwork, and leadership skills, while also offering insights into potential careers in the Australian Defence Force. There are Cadet programs for Army, Navy and Air Force. Learn more via www.cadetnet.gov.au

Scouts Australia

Scouts Australia is a youth organization in Australia that offers programs for boys and girls aged 5 to 25. It aims to develop character, leadership, and outdoor skills through various activities, camping, and community involvement. Scouts participate in fun and challenging experiences, fostering personal growth and responsible citizenship, <https://scouts.com.au/>



VICTORIA POLICE – CHANGES TO ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To ensure young people have the best chance of success, Victoria Police has made the following changes to their recruitment process:

- exemption from the entrance exam for those with a relevant Australian university bachelor's degree (arts, science, humanities, or business) within the last 5 years.
- removal of the requirement for completion of Year 12 prior to applying.
- the initial psychological assessment can now be done online, and
- evidence of Covid19 vaccination is no longer required.

Recruitment specialists will be running a free recruitment 'pop up' session on Saturday 12 August at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. You will be able to speak with members from the following teams:

Recruiting Services Branch
 Psychology & Medical Recruitment Team
 Public Order Response Team (PORT)
 Crime Scene Services
 State Highway Patrol
 Road Policing (Booze Bus)

Register your place via <https://bit.ly/43SyWGI>

Can't attend the Melbourne event? Search for other information sessions via <https://bit.ly/3uBvCOQ>

UPCOMING CAREER EVENTS

DRAMA & THEATRE ARTS INFORMATION SESSION

Melbourne Polytechnic offer exciting vocational courses in:

Costume design
 Live production
 Specialist make-up services
 Theatre arts

The Institute is running an online information session for prospective students and families on Tuesday 29 August starting at 4.30pm. Register via <https://bit.ly/45u6RqP>



GIRLS PROGRAMMING NETWORK

The University of Melbourne is running a free workshop for girls who are interested in programming. No experience in coding is needed. The event will be held at the Parkville campus on Saturday 2 September between 9.30am – 4pm. The event will fill quickly, so register soon, <https://bit.ly/45aaiCD>

CAMP SEEK

Camp Seek is a 4-day STEM focussed learning and immersion program for girls and non-binary young people aged 14 – 16. The camp is taking place during the September school holidays. Information - www.seek.com.au/camp-seek/

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

You can find out about careers in the Australian Defence Force through participating in free information sessions. There are sessions running at various locations across Victoria and NSW and online sessions, www.defencejobs.gov.au/events

VICTORIAN CAREERS AND EMPLOYMENT EXPO

This Expo will be packed with exciting seminars, demonstrations, and hands-on workshops. You will be able to: speak to exhibitors from over 100 organisations, watch the WorldSkills National Championships, try different trades, participate in seminars, and learn about your post school study and training options. The Expo will run between Thursday 17 – Saturday 19 August at the Melbourne Exhibition and Convention Centre. www.careeremploymentexpo.com.au



MONASH UNIVERSITY

Access Monash

The following events will be held online for prospective students and their families, <https://bit.ly/3kVijtH>

August

3	Alternative pathways to university
3	IT student panel
9	Pharmacy and pharmaceutical science student panel
10	Arts student panel
15	Education student panel

September

12	Exam preparation and techniques
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VCE revision lectures

Monash is running VCE revision lectures in the following subjects: Biology, Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematical Methods during the September holidays. Book your place via <https://bit.ly/3K0xds0>

Business Explorer Program

This is a free program for students who are keen to explore course and career options in business. The next event will run on 27 September at the Clayton campus. You will participate in 3 hands-on sessions from the following course areas:

- Accounting
- Banking and finance
- Analytics, stats, and actuarial studies
- Economics
- Management
- Marketing
- Entrepreneurship

Register your interest via www.monash.edu/business/business-explorer

Spring into Monash: Indigenous Camp

This camp will provide Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students from Yrs 10 to 12 with an insight into university life and an opportunity to connect with youth from across the country. The camp will run between 24 – 27 September 2023, <https://bit.ly/44QnNaF>