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## Career News Edition 3 Tuesday 17 March 2015

Dear Parents and Students,

With only 1 week left of term 1 I would like to inform you about the "Careers News" Edition 3 and the various ways you can support your child in their pathway planning over the holiday break. Of course, as always I place all the "Career News" newsletters on the school website for parents and students to freely access.

Our **Year 10** students are in the midst of organising (and some finalising!) their Work Experience placement for 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July. This should be a great focus for our Year 10 students over the next couple of weeks and we hope to see many Work Experience forms submitted at the beginning of term 2.

**Year 11** students should be taking advantage of the many open days institutions are offering not only in August but some of the "day outs" in April. (See Newsletter edition 2 for Open Day Dates in August and in this edition for April "day outs" or "Experiences" at various institutions).

Our **Year 12** students will be researching courses through the VTAC website as well as directly through the institutions' websites. They should be reflecting on their Career Action Plans and contemplating booking individual counselling appointments to discuss possible pathways. As we "fly out" of term 1 I hope to bring you one final newsletter for the term next week. Have a great read and a wonderful end of **term experience!**

### Reminders

- **'At Monash' Seminars** - 17 Mar – Arts; 18 Mar IT; 19 Mar – Pharmacy and pharmaceutical sciences (Parkville). Other seminars in terms 2 & 3. All run 6.30pm to 8pm. **Full list of seminars** and to **register**, [www.destination.monash.edu/at-monash](http://www.destination.monash.edu/at-monash).
- **UMAT Registrations** by 5 June; Test: 29 July
- **Veterinary Science Course Advice Day, Sat 21 Mar**, Werribee; Information/registration: <http://fvas.unimelb.edu.au/news-and-events/events#course-information-day>.

1. **WANT TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT LA TROBE UNIVERSITY?** If so, attend [Experience La Trobe](#). Attend workshops, lectures and seminars of your choice to find out about career options, areas of study, pathways and student life while parents can participate in a 'parents program'. To view the event program/register, follow the links: [Melbourne Campus, Thursday 9 April](#) and [Bendigo Campus, Friday 10 April](#). Experience La Trobe runs at all five campuses with Melbourne and Bendigo running two events throughout the year (April and July).
2. **CHECK OUT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE** – Explore the Parkville campus and find out about study options; hear from current students, attend tailored sessions to learn more about entry requirements, Access Melbourne, course structures and other opportunities. A tour of the **Southbank campus (VCA)** is offered. **Who:** Year 10-12 students; **When:** Friday 10 April (also 10 July); **Information:** 13 63 52; **Register:** [www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/a-day-at-melbourne](http://www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/a-day-at-melbourne).
3. **SWINBURNE OPEN DAY NEWS** – Swinburne confirms that Swinburne Open Day 2015 will be held on Sunday 2 August at the Hawthorn campus. You can register to receive updates about Open Day on the Swinburne website. [Register now >](#)
4. **MONASH UNIVERSITY NEWS** – Monash university has grouped courses into two ways of studying: Monash **comprehensive** courses and Monash **specialist** courses.
  - **COMPREHENSIVE COURSES** – These are suitable for those of you who want to **keep study and graduate options open**, see university as an opportunity to **try new things**, and need time to **discover and define your interests**. These courses offer a wide range of majors





within a field, and students decide which interest them most. They also allow minor studies from other faculties. Examples of these courses are **arts, business, commerce, IT and science**. A great option for students who know their general areas of interest, but are unsure of a definite career.

- **SPECIALIST COURSES** – Appropriate for those who are **confident about what you want to study, and know what you want to 'be'** upon graduation. These courses allow you to study your chosen discipline from day one. Upon completion, many of these courses provide students with the **accreditation** required for professional registration. They include degrees in **engineering, teaching, nursing, law and medicine**.

**DOUBLE DEGREES** – These should be considered if you have a **diverse range of interests** and don't want to give up anything, you want to qualify on two areas in the shortest possible time, and want to increase vocational opportunities (eg Arts/Law, Engineering/Commerce)

**PHARMACY AT MONASH** – a new initiative from the Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, the **Young Alchemists Club** will bring together high achieving students interested in the physical sciences. Opportunities to do hands-on experiments in the Monash labs, automatic enrolment in Monash seminars, tutoring in VCE, and VIP access to the annual Open House. **Register:**



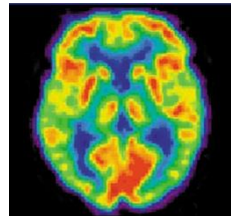
[www.monash.edu/pharm/future/outreach](http://www.monash.edu/pharm/future/outreach)

**NEW HEALTH SCIENCES DEGREE** – In this three-year degree you can specialise in one of these areas: **Public health, human services, emergency health and paramedic practice and radiation sciences**. Those who complete this degree will be eligible for a range of Masters by coursework degrees no longer than 1.5 years in length. **For info:** register for the 'at Monash' seminar on Tues 19 May at [www.destination.monash.edu/at-monash/](http://www.destination.monash.edu/at-monash/).

**5. DEAKIN UNIVERSITY NEWS** – Deakin University is relatively young, with 47,000 students, and campuses in Burwood (Melbourne), Geelong (Waterfront and Waurn Ponds) and Warrnambool. It offers a very wide range of degrees in **architecture, arts, business, education, engineering, environment, health, IT, law, medicine, nursing, optometry, psychology, science and sport**. To find out more, attend **Deakin Open Days** (Warrnambool, Sunday 2 Aug; Geelong 9 Aug; Burwood 23 Aug).

**New courses:**

- The **B. Medical Imaging** commenced this year at the Geelong Waurn Ponds campus. Sometimes known as **Medical Diagnostic Radiography**, the course assists the development of the knowledge, skills and clinical expertise that enable you to practice as a registered diagnostic radiographer. You could work in a hospital,



private radiography practice or health department in areas of **general radiography, digital vascular imaging, computed tomography (CT), general ultrasound and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)**.

There is a shortage of medical imaging practitioners in rural and regional Australia, and you could also work overseas. The **Clearly-In ATAR** for the course was 68.55. **Prerequisites** are: 3/4 English, one of biology, chemistry or physics, and maths methods or specialist maths. Also check out **RMIT B. Applied Science in either medical imaging, nuclear medicine or radiation therapy and Monash B. Radiography and Medical Imaging. Medical sonography** is a related career which you may also wish to explore.

- The **B. Entertainment Production** is an innovative program providing the opportunity to become an **organiser and manager of entertainment** in a broad range of professional settings. The entertainment



industries (media, arts, sports, museums and galleries, festivals and music) are important and expanding fields of social and economic activity. The course prepares you for a career in cultural production and programing

through innovative learning and work experience. You can also choose a complementary area of study to hone your talents and learn more about how entertainment is made. All students undertake an industry placement. The ATAR this year was 62.30; the only prerequisite subject is 3/4 English (any).

**INTERESTED IN THE ENVIRONMENT?** Whether you'd like to conserve **animals and plants** for future generations, study diverse **marine and freshwater ecosystems** or contribute to **environmental management and sustainability**, Deakin's environment courses offer a range of great choices.

- **The B. Environmental Management and Sustainability** (Burwood campus) focuses on finding solutions to the world's most pressing environmental problems (eg water management solutions)
- **The B. Wildlife and Conservation Biology** (Burwood)



focuses on looking at solutions to wildlife and conservation issues - examine wildlife ecology and research, landscape and vegetation management, and biodiversity conservation and management.



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- **The B. Marine Biology** (Warrnambool) focuses on how marine organisms interact with their living and non-living environments and how marine ecosystems function.
- **The B. Fisheries and Aquaculture** (Warrnambool) focuses on fisheries resources management, aquaculture management, and fisheries biology with a focus on sustainability.

**6. MIPT- Melbourne Institute of Business and Technology-** Soon to be Deakin College is a great pathway into Deakin University straight into a Year 2 Bachelor Degree after completing a Diploma course. See [mibt.vic.edu.au](http://mibt.vic.edu.au) for all their courses.

#### **7. CAREERS IN DESIGN? Whitehouse Institute of Design**

Whitehouse Institute produces some of the country's most successful designers in Fashion Design, Interior Design and Styling and Creative Direction. Courses include the **Master of Design** practice-lead research and studio practice with part-time and full-time study options. The **Bachelor of Design** full-time in Fashion Design, Interior design and Creative Direction & Styling – the Bachelor of Design runs on a trimester model. Three semesters per year allows you to complete your degree in 2 years as opposed to the traditional 3 year delivery models. Contact 1300 551 433 for further information or check out <http://whitehouse-design.edu.au>

#### **8. CAREERS WITH ANIMALS?**

- **KEEPER FOR A DAY** - Are you an aspiring zookeeper? Find out what takes to care for an amazing array of animals at both **Healesville** Sanctuary and **Werribee** Open Range Zoo. Learn how you can help us to Fight Extinction. **Who:** Years 7-12; **When:** **Healesville** Sanctuary: March 31<sup>st</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>. **Werribee** Open Range Zoo: March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **VET FOR A DAY** - Come and work alongside veterinary staff on real life cases involving Healesville Sanctuary's animals. **Who:** Years 7-12; **When:** April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>.  
**Information:**  
<http://www.zoo.org.au/education/careers-programs;>  
**Bookings Essential:** 1300 966 784.

**9. APPLYING FOR A TAX FILE NUMBER (TFN)** Until recently, schools could assist students to apply for a TFN. This is no longer the case. Students now apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified in an interview at a participating Australia Post Office. To apply and to find out about participating Post Offices: [www.ato.gov.au](http://www.ato.gov.au), and search for QC27248. NOTE: Not only do students need a TFN if employed, Year 12 students need a TFN when they accept an offer of a university or VET place in January 2016.



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